

The liturgical color is white for Communion & All Saints Day		
PRELUDE	"The Gift of Love" Amy Bender, organ	Hal Hopson
WELCOME	Melanie Lyttle, liturgist	
*CALL TO WORSHIP		
There are many who have walked the path toward God before us, showing us the way with their lives. <b>We come to give thanks for them.</b> As they were called, so are we called to live as Jesus did, answering the call of God, saying "Here I am! Send me." <b>We come to ask for guidance and courage.</b> We are, each of us, like those who have gone before us, a strange mixture of saint and sinner. God accepts us that way and fills us with the Spirit, who empowers us to act. <b>We come to worship the Holy God.</b>		
*OPENING HYMN	"For All the Saints"	UMH 711
<i>Hymn History:</i> The words to this hymn were written by William How. How was born in England in 1823. He was ordained into the Anglican Church in 1846. After serving in several locations, he was appointed Bishop of Bedford where his duties were to minister to the people of East London. There he worked with the destitute in London's slums and aided women and children suffering from poverty. He later moved to Wakefield in West Yorkshire and helped the plight of factory workers who labored in difficult conditions in the nineteenth century. This hymn comes from the hymn book Psalms and Hymns. It was originally sung to the music of Joseph Barnby. The famed English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams set the hymn to music in 1906 and this is the version most commonly used today. How died in Ireland in 1897.		
OPENING PRAYER		
The Holy One be with you; <b>And also with you.</b> Let us pray. <b>We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen</b>		
<i>Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School</i>		
SCRIPTURE	Revelation 21:1-6a, p. 867	
REMEMBERING THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS		
PRAYER OF CELEBRATION		
* <i>Congregation invited to stand if able</i>		

<b>ANTHEM</b>	“I Will Sing You Home” Chancel Choir	Dan Forrest
Too soon to leave this earth. How could all your work be done? Ash to ash and dust to dust, seems to me you'd just begun. When grief invades my soul there's comfort in a prayer I find. Though these candles honor you, they burn for those you left behind.		
I'll sing for you because I need to. Right now this is all I know. I'll sing so we will not forget you. I will sing you home.		
Know that you will live on the lips of those who knew what it was you had to give, and what it was they learned from you. This is our prayer for you: Maybe someday we will know if it helped your journey home or if it helped me let you go.		
I'll sing for you because I need to. Right now this is all I know. I'll sing so we will not forget you. I will sing you home.		
<b>SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK THROUGH CELEBRATIONS &amp; CONCERNS</b>		
<b>SILENT PRAYER</b>		
<b>PASTORAL PRAYER</b>		
<b>THE LORD'S PRAYER</b> <b>Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.</b>		
<b>MENTOR IN MINISTRY</b>		
<b>SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS</b>		
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	“Joy In the Morning”	Natalie Sleeth
<b>*DOXOLOGY #94</b> <b>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;</b> <b>Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!</b> <b>Praise God, the source of all our gifts!</b> <b>Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!</b> <b>Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</b>		
<b>*PRAYER OF DEDICATION</b>		

## HYMN OF CENTERING

"Come, Ye Disconsolate"

UMH 510

## SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 12:1-3, p. 852

## MESSAGE

"Pioneers Who Blazed The Way!"  
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

## HOLY COMMUNION

"The Great Thanksgiving" UMH 17 Musical Setting A

## HYMN OF MISSION

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken" UMH 614

## \*BENEDICTION

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**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
Amen. Amen. Amen.**

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## POSTLUDE

"Postludium"

Gordon Young

• Carnations presented in Memory of All Saints Day •

Altar Flowers are presented by Judy Garris  
To the Glory of God

• For flowers, please contact Kathy Fellows at 440.477.4485 •

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