

WE GATHER IN CHRIST’S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC *Rock of Ages* Clay Christiansen

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CENTERING SILENCE The Rev. Dr. James Butler

* UNISON INTROIT (Hymn 393, v.1)
*O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light.
O balm for care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright.
On you, the high and lowly, with angels joined in tune,
Sing “Holy, Holy, Holy!” to God the great Triune.*

* OPENING SENTENCES FOR ALL SAINTS’ SUNDAY Sue Seeds
The scriptures declare that we are “surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.”
They are God’s beloved ones, followers of Jesus, who rest from the earthly labor.
Like them, we live and serve, resting in his promise: “I am the resurrection and the life.”
Those who trust in him, even though they die, will yet live.
In life and in death, in life beyond death, we belong to God.
Alleluia. Amen.

* HYMN 326 “For All the Saints” SINE NOMINE

* ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Beloved in Christ: God is with us!
We are not alone!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

UNISON CONFESSION
Lord of all life: because we are imperfect and fall short of your glory within us, we
humbly bow our hearts and acknowledge our need of your sustaining grace. We have
sinned in thought, word, and deed, in what we have done and left undone. Raise up in
this world, forgiven and set free, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SUNG RESPONSE (hymn 341, v.1)
*O God, show mercy to us, and bless us with your grace.
And cause to shine upon us the brightness of your face.
So that your way most holy on earth may soon be known.
And unto every people your saving grace be shown.
Let all the people praise you; let all the nations sing.
In every land let praises and songs of gladness ring.*

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON Acts 9:36-43 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.128)

ANTHEM *The Souls of the Righteous* Stanley Marchant
The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them.
In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die. But they are in peace.

* GOSPEL LESSON Luke 21:1-4 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.85)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

DEPARTING SONG (Hymn 409, v 3)
*Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd’s flock and fold.
Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek, in worship, to explore
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.*

SERMON “The ‘Labors’ from Which We Will Rest” Dr. Butler
“Now in Joppa, there was a disciple named Tabitha, devoted to good works and charity.”

HYMN 822 “When We Are Living” SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

WE PRAY AND LIFT UP OUR HEARTS IN THANKS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY *Song of Peace* Jean Langlais

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (see insert)

* HYMN 730 “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God” GRAND ISLE

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* DEPARTING MUSIC *Christ Lay in Death’s Bonds* BWV 625 Johann Sebastian Bach
The people are welcome to depart or remain seated while the Departing Music is played.

Our Mission

To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship,
service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

Staff

- The Rev. Dr. James Butler, Pastor
- The Revs. Dr. Steve and Dr. Cinda Gorman, Parish Associates
- Dr. Kaori Hongo, Minister of Music
- Aliyah Kennedy, Director of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry
- Sara Gresh, Secretary and Financial Secretary
- Kimberly Hook, Childcare Provider and Evening Receptionist
- Carolyn Fordosi, Housekeeper
- Scott Schreibman, Maintenance Custodian
- Margaret Limkemann, Minister of Music Emerita



SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

All Saints’ Sunday

November 2, 2025

10 a.m.