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"Worship God, Love One Another, Serve the World"



All Saints Sunday November 2, 2025 8:30 a.m. Worship

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# 8:30 Worship

#### **GATHERING**

Welcome and Announcements

First-time guests, please text "WELCOME" to (910) 460-9998

Prelude

"Faith of Our Fathers"

\*Call to Worship

On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.

### We give thanks!

We remember choir members, praise bands, organists, and all the musicians who sang and played your praises.

# We give thanks!

We remember preachers and lay leaders who led our worship through the years.

### We give thanks!

We remember parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.

## We give thanks!

We remember our church families – this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith family with whom we grew our faith and our love for God and neighbor.

### We give thanks!

We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today.

We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present here with us, and will continue after us. Thanks be to God!

\*Hymn

"The Church's One Foundation"

UMH #545

## \*Opening Prayer

Sovereign of Creation, all that we have comes from you. We gather in your presence, surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, people from every tribe and nation, every kindred and tongue, to lift our voices in praise, to be transformed into your saints, to be sent out to gather others to share the eternal banquet. Receive the praise we offer, work in us and through us. You alone are holy, you alone are the Most High, you alone are worthy of our praise. Glory to you, O God, and to the Lamb, our Shepherd, and to the Spirit that unites us all, today and ever more. Amen.

#### PRAISE AND PROCLAMATION

\*Gospel Lesson Luke 6:20-31 Bobbi Edge

#### SwanKids Worship

All kids are welcome to follow our staff to the Ministry Center (Bldg 3) for SwanKids Worship during the sermon. They will return for communion with their families.

Congregational Sharing: Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Anthem "Shall We Gather at the River?"

Scripture Lesson Ephesians 1:11-23

Sermon Rev. Laura Thompson

**RESPONSE** 

Remembering the Saints

Invitation to the Table

Confession and Pardon UMH #12

\*Passing the Peace

Giving of our Tithes, Offerings, and Connection Cards

Offertory Song "Come, Come, Ye Saints"

\*Doxology UMH#94

\*The Great Thanksgiving Giving of the Bread and Cup

All are invited to the table of the Lord. We serve by intinction or by using prepackaged gluten-free elements. Those unable to come forward may raise their hand, and a pastor will bring communion to you.

After receiving, you may kneel for prayer and/or go to one of our prayer stations to receive anointing and prayer from one of our lay Stephen ministers. Offerings left at the altar rail go to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, used primarily to assist the needy.

Communion Song

"It Is Well With My Soul"

Prayer after the Meal

**SENDING** 

\*Hymn "For All the Saints" UMH #711

\*Dismissal with Blessing

\*Postlude "Rule of Life"

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Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, In all the places you can. At all the times you can, to all the people you can, As long as ever, you can.

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand as you are able.