

Gathering For Worship

Prelude

Elegie and Deploration from Sonata for Oboe and Piano – Francis Poulenc

Praising

Call to Worship

One: We gather today in the presence of God, who was and is and is to come.

All: We come, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses—those who kept the faith, finished their race, and now rest in God's peace.

One: We give thanks for the saints who showed us the way: for prophets who spoke truth, teachers who opened Scripture, friends who prayed, and loved ones who lived the gospel before us.

All: Their witness reminds us that the church is not bound by time or place—that in Christ, death does not divide but unites us in one body.

One: So let us lift our hearts in praise to the Lord of every generation, whose grace was sufficient for them and is sufficient for us.

All: To God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus, from generation to generation, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: 203 - Oh God Our Help

Confessing

Confession of Faith

Our God is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, Miriam, Hannah and Mary.

Our God has come to us in our own likeness, In the form of a servant in Jesus of Nazareth.

Jesus teaches us that to love God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind and to love our neighbor as ourselves is everything.

Jesus teaches us to speak of hope as the coming of God's Kingdom.

Jesus teaches us that the Spirit is at work in our world turning hopeless and evil situations into good.

Goodness and justice and love will triumph in the end. Tyranny and oppression cannot last forever.

One day all tears will be wiped away, the lamb will lie down with the lion and justice will roll down like a mighty stream.

True peace and true reconciliation are not only desired, they are assured and guaranteed in Christ.

This is our Faith. This is our Hope. This is our Prayer. This is our Work.

Amen

Hymn: 592 – How Firm a Foundation

Hearing the Word

Children's Time

Candle Lighting Remembrance

(You are invited to come down the side aisle, light a candle and, if you wish, speak the name of someone who has died. Please return to your seat by the center aisle.)

Requiem (see program)

Responding

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Responses
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Praying Together

Life of the Church Welcoming our Guests

Announcements

Ministry of Giving

Children's Offering Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Pie Jesu, from Requiem - Gabriel Faure

Sending

Hymn: 672 – For All the Saints

Benediction

Lectionary for Next Sunday

Haggai 1:15b-2:9 Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 Psalm 98 Job 19:23-27a Psalm 17:1-9 II Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38

Calendar

Nov. 8 Back Swamp Workday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Nov. 9: Worship Service, Michelle Burkholder preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal following the service

Nov. 15: Washington Women's Chorale concert, 4:00 p.m.

Nov. 16: Worship Service, Cynthia Lapp preaches, 11:00 a.m.

Annual Congregational Meeting, Fellowship Hall, 6:30 p.m.