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The Celebration of Worship All Saints' Day

November 1, 2009

8:45 and 11:00 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.
Large print hymnals, Bibles and hearing devices are available from any usher.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.
Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

We Gather

TIME FOR PREPARATION

All Saints' Sunday is our affirmation and celebration of the hope we have, in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, that our loved ones now live in the heavenly glory prepared for us all by our loving God. Our Lord told His disciples: "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." On this All Saints' Sunday, we remember all the faithful saints among us who, this past year, have gone before us to their heavenly reward:

Stachia Andrews	08/25/2009	John Kizer	04/08/2009	Wilma Sibray	11/02/2008
Max Blizzard	12/10/2008	Linda Morris	04/01/2009	Bob Skinner, Jr.	09/15/2009
Jim Conner	08/30/2009	Eddie Owens, III	02/28/2009	Virginia Tatum	01/19/2009
Rick Earles	09/13/2009	Nancy Peterson	04/25/2009	Burr Williams	12/31/2008
Katherine Hamilton	12/28/2008	Sue Shawkey	07/07/2009	Fred Wrenn, Jr.	06/08/2009
Anna Harper	01/07/2009	Willy Shuman	06/20/2009	Larry Yeardley	12/30/2008

VOLUNTARY

Awake, Awake to Love and Work
Fred Gaul, organist

arr. Wilbur Held

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

We Praise God

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PRAISE

I Love to Tell the Story
(See insert)

Hankey and Fischer

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Barbara Hopta

*RESPONSE

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Medema

Two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the response, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Lord, lis-ten to Your chil-dren pray - ing. Lord, send Your Spi-rit in this place.

Lord, lis-ten to Your chil-dren pray - ing. Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

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ANTHEM (11:00)

I Will Give Thanks

Jothen

*I will give thanks and sing my praises to the Lord. For all the things He's done, He surely is adored.
I will give thanks and sing my praise forevermore, for God has been good to me!*

*He sends the sun and the clouds and the rain over the mountains, down through the plains,
Gives the gift of the golden grain. For this I will sing!*

The Cherub Choir

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Claire Butler

Lord Jesus, You taught us to love God with all our heart, but we love our family, friends and comforts more. You taught us to love God with all our souls, but we devote our souls to the things we enjoy. You taught us to love God with all our mind, but we study textbooks and computer programs more than we study the Scriptures. You taught us to love God with all our strength, but we use our strength to compete with others. You taught us to love our neighbor as ourselves, but we neglect the needs of others. Forgive us, Risen Christ. Give us courage to obey Your commandments.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP

Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, so you may greet each other by name.
Visitors are invited to wear the button found in the friendship pad.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Jim Crockett

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Kim Stilwell

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

Barbara Hopta

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*HYMN 376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

We Declare our Faith

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed
(See insert)

words: trad.
music: David Percy

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

HYMN 579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

We Give Thanks to God

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jim Roberts

Leader: For the memories we have of loved ones and friends who are faithful witnesses in life and death,

People: **We give You thanks and praise.**

Leader: With gratitude and thanksgiving for the time we have been blessed to spend in the presence of Your saints, whether their time on earth was fulfilled and they died old and full of days, or whether their lives were cut short by our measure, their sojourn too brief,

People: **We thank You. We praise You. We remember.**

Leader: With the assurance that our hope of reunion, and of union with You, of restoration based on the foundation of Jesus Christ, is not in vain, but that with our eyes we will see God,

People: **We lift up our hands in gratitude, our hearts in thanksgiving, our eyes with love.**

Leader: For those who are ill and weak, who suffer and struggle, those who have lost hope and do not even see dimly into that glass, but who stare into a darkness, looking away from the light,

People: **Reveal Yourself in glory to all in our midst and all around the world who are suffering and struggling, and grant them Your healing and peace.**

Leader: That our hope may be shared with all around the world, that Your Word shall come true that every tear will be wiped from every eye, that all will behold your glory, that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow,

People: **We praise You, O God! We thank You for the wideness of Your mercy and for Your love which has no end.**

Leader: God of comfort and peace, during these moments of silence, in our hearts we name before You, with thanksgiving, our beloved who are no longer among us, but have this year entered the glory You have prepared for them:

(Continue to pray as we remember those who this year have gone before us.)

Leader: Keep us forever grateful for their witness and, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light eternal; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, Who lives and reigns with You, O God, and Who taught us to pray, saying,...

All: **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.**

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Offertory

Rejoice in God's Saints

arr. David Cherwien

*Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jim Roberts

Receive these offerings that we bring before You today, O Lord, as we remember those who have gone before, those who are present now, and those who will be here after us. All of us share in Your great work. May that work be advanced by our combined efforts across time into eternity. These things we pray in Your wonderful name, God of glory and God of the living, both those who live in this world, and those who dwell richly in Your kingdom. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

ANTHEM (11:00)

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

Neumark, arr. Lindh

*If thou but suffer God to guide thee and hope in Him through all thy ways.
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee, and bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the Rock that naught can move.*

*Only be still and wait His leisure in cheerful hope with heart content
to take whate'er thy Father's pleasure and all-discerning love hath sent.
Nor doubt our inmost wants are known to Him Who chose us for His own.*

*Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving. In all thy labor faithful be.
And trust His Word, though undeserving, thou yet shalt find it true for thee.
God never yet forsook in need the soul that trusts in Him indeed.*

The Geneva Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 17:1-8, Pew Bible, NT, p. 18

Bill McCoy

SERMON

Life After Life

Bill McCoy

*CONCLUDING HYMN 423

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION

Bill McCoy

*HYMN OF PARTING (8:45)

HYMN 540

*God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.*

*HYMN OF PARTING (11:00)

When the Saints Go Marching In

traditional

*Oh when the saints go marching in, oh when the saints go marching in,
Oh Lord I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.*

And when the sun refuse to shine... And when the trumpet sounds its call...

And when the new world is revealed...

*VOLUNTARY

Grand Choeur
Fred Gaul, organist

Nicholas Gigault

The asterisks (*) invite you to stand if it is comfortable for you to do so.

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• Restrooms and water fountains are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel - please
• accompany children.

• Childcare: Nursery and Rooms 113 and 114; Mary Mullens, Karen Scherr, Kim Smith, Patty & Aaron
• Alexander, Helen Liu, Carolyn Mullett, Tish and Carah Chafin

• Elder Visitation: Bob McEldowney, Suzanne Meyer, Okey Moffatt, Nikki Moses

• The Flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Dill, Emily, George and Julia Battle for the glory of God
• and in loving memory of Muriel S. Battle, Elizabeth Grinstead and Timothy Dekin.

• Greeters today are: Neva Jo and Willis Adams, Cheryle Hall
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