

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

October 30th, 2022
“21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST”
“ALL SAINTS SUNDAY”
Liturgical Color – Green



DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

TODAY'S CENTERING MEDITATION

“The Son of Man came to find lost people and save them”

Luke 19:10 (NCV)

* Please stand in stature or in heart as you are able.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Ludwig Van Beethoven arr. by Joel Raney

OPENING PRAYER

* CALL TO WORSHIP

For all those who have paved the way for our freedom of worship,
we give thanks, O Lord.

**For those who have taught us about witness and the power of love,
we give thanks, O Lord.**

For those who work in our church that we may come to know what it means to serve,
we give thanks, O Lord.

**For all the saints, those who rest from their labors, and those who labor still,
we give thanks, O Lord.**

Praise be to God, who continually inspires and guides workers and witnesses.

Open our hearts and spirits, O Lord, and help us to become good workers for you. AMEN

* *For All the Saints*

711 (verses 1, 4, 6)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOLLOWED BY MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

Lord of mercy, forgive us when we make excuses for our lack of faith.

We let our selfishness and apathy get in the way of illumination and peace.

**We find ways to duck out of our opportunities for service and witness,
claiming that we are too small or too ill-equipped to be effective witnesses to Jesus Christ.**

How foolish we can be!

All of our lives God has been present to us, whether or not we knew it.

God's love is always surrounding us.

Yet we have not taken the time to recognize it.

We whine and complain about the misfortunes that have befallen us and wonder where God is.

We want immediate release from our struggles.

And when release comes, we again move off in our own realms of self-centeredness.

Help us, O Lord. Stop us from being so faithless.

Open our hearts with your forgiving spirits that we, having been healed and forgiven,

may actually be effective witnesses to your love and compassion.

For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.

Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight.

Jesus loves the little children of the world.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

LITURGY FOR ALL SAINTS DAY

For all the saints who have gone before us,

God, we give thanks for our ancestors in the faith.

For all the saints who have been beloved to us,

God, we give thanks for our loved ones who have passed on.

For all the saints who have left us too soon,

God, we mourn their passing, and they remain in our hearts.

For all the saints who have exemplified the faithful life,

God, may we learn from their ways and follow you.

On this day, we name all those who are in our hearts:

~ NAMING OF THOSE WHO LEFT US THIS PAST YEAR ~

For all the saints, God, we give thanks to you;

On earth, in heaven, we are one, we are your children.

We thank you for those who have gone before us.

May we forgive those whom we did not have an opportunity to forgive.

May we know that we are forgiven for our own sins.

May we know that we are loved by the you, O God, from this life into eternity.

In the name of Jesus Christ, who lived, who died, and who lives eternally. AMEN and AMEN.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Choir

TIME OF PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

(from the ritual of the former Methodist Church)

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.

GOD'S WORD:

Luke 19:1-10

(The Liturgist says: "This is the Word of God for ALL people" ... AND ... the People respond: "Thanks BE to God")

TODAY'S MESSAGE: **"NOT FOR RELIGIOUS PEOPLE OR CHURCHIE PEOPLE"**

AN INVITATION TO CHRIST

Dimitri of Rostov Russia, 17th century

Come, my Light, and illumine my darkness.

Come, my Life, and revive me from death.

Come, my Physician, and heal my wounds.

**Come, Flame of divine love, and burn up the thorns of my sins,
kindling my heart with the flame of thy love.**

Come, my King, sit upon the throne of my heart and reign there.

For thou alone art my King and my Lord. AMEN.

* *For All the Saints*

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* BENEDICTION

* *Standing on the Promises*

374 (verse 1)

INFORMATION FOR YOU

FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS ... Please join us this morning following Worship for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

STATIONARY CARDS WITH CHURCH PICTURE ... are available on the Information Table in the Prayer Room. The cost is a donation. Monies received will go our Sister Circle for mission projects.

PRINTS OF DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ... are available on the Information Table in the Prayer Room. The cost is a donation. Monies received will go our Sister Circle for mission projects.

FRUIT & NUT ROLL SALE ... The BELL CHOIR is having its annual Fruit & Nut Roll sale. Flavors include NUT, POPPYSEED, CHEESE, APRICOT, PRUNE, and RASPBERRY. The cost for these is \$11.50 each. Also available are PUMPKIN CREAM CHEESE rolls for \$17.25 each. Orders will be taken in the Prayer Room before and after Worship TODAY and the next two Sundays, November 6th and 13th. Orders can also be placed by calling Dawn Blom (570-675-2347) weekdays between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

SMALL GROUP STUDY – DISCIPLE FAST TRACK ... Monday ... 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ... Our Church Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 2nd.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER AND DEVOTION ... You are invited to join Pastor Dave by ZOOM every Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM for 15 to 20 minutes of prayer and devotion. A link to join Pastor Dave will be emailed out on Tuesday.

HANDBELL CHOIR PRACTICE ... next Sunday at 8:45 AM. ALL are welcome to join the HANDBELL CHOIR

CHOIR PRACTICE ... next Sunday at 9:30 AM. ALL are welcome to join the CHOIR