



# All Saints

*Central and Algonquin United  
Methodist Churches*

*Sunday, November 3, 2024*

*With Pastor Marty Johnston*

Mission Statement:

**Connecting all people to God by building bridges  
of caring, outreach, and acceptance.**

Central and Algonquin UMC's Worship Gathering  
Pastor Marty Johnston  
November 3, 2024  
Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost  
All Saints Sunday  
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Ushers/Greeters: Ray Bell / James Bankson

Liturgist: Jackie Willey

Communion: Mary Beth Aikens

PRELUDE "Come, Come Ye Saints" Darley

CHORAL INTROIT 'This Is a Day of New Beginnings' B. Wren/Carlton Young

WELCOME/MISSION STATEMENT

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\*CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

**Leader:** The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it,

**People:** The world and all who live in it;

**Leader:** For He founded it upon the seas

**People:** And established it upon the waters.

**Leader:** Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord?

**People:** Who may stand in His holy place?

**Leader:** The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,

**People:** Who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.

**Leader:** They will receive blessing from the Lord

**People:** And vindication from God their Savior.

**Leader:** Such is the generation of those who seek Him,

**People:** Who seek Your face, God of Jacob.

**Leader:** Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, O ancient doors,

**People:** That the King of Glory may come in.

**Leader:** Who is this King of Glory?

**People:** The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

**Leader:** Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them up, O ancient doors,

**People:** That the King of Glory may come in.

**Leader:** Who is He, this King of Glory?

**People:** The Lord Almighty—He is the King of Glory.

\*OPENING HYMN      “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

UMH 327  
DIADEMATA

PASTOR’S OPENING PRAYER \*

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

INTRODUCTION TO FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Our reading starts when Jesus arrives in the village of Bethany, He finds that Lazarus has died and been in the tomb for four days. Martha tells Jesus that if He had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Jesus comforts her, saying Lazarus will rise again. He then goes to the tomb, weeps, and orders the stone to be rolled away. Jesus prays to God and calls Lazarus to come out. Miraculously, Lazarus emerges from the tomb, still wrapped in burial clothes, bringing joy to everyone.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING    John 11:32-44

<sup>32</sup> When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

<sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled.

<sup>34</sup> “Where have you laid him?” he asked. “Come and see, Lord,” they replied.

<sup>35</sup> Jesus wept.

<sup>36</sup> Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”

<sup>37</sup> But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Jesus Raises Lazarus From the Dead

<sup>38</sup> Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance.

<sup>39</sup> “Take away the stone,” he said. “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.”

<sup>40</sup> Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?”

<sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me.

<sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”

<sup>43</sup> When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”

<sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: **Thanks be to God**

CHOIR ANTHEM

‘Break the Bread, Pour the Wine’

M. Hayes

SERMON

Life After Life

INVITATION TO OFFERING

In service and love, may we bring our hearts, our offerings, and our gifts to God and to God’s church.

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up you hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty. Creator of heaven and earth.

God of Abraham and Sarah, God of Miriam and Moses,

**God of Joshua and Deborah, God of Ruth and David,**

God of the priests and the prophets, God of Mary and Joseph,

**God of the apostles and the martyrs, God of our mothers and our fathers,**

God of our children to all generations.

With your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

**"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."**

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

**"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."**

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. Renew our communion with all your saints, especially those whom we name before you this morning—(*Names read, candles lit, organ chimes*)

***Bill Brady, Ronald E. Buckler, Nicholas Leo Ferro Jr., Audrey Gillette, Jerry R. Jenkins, Lynn LeCureux, Sue Mackie, Donna Mattson, William Robinson***

*Silence may be kept for the remembrance of names.*

**Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.**

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever.

*The elements are shared - once everyone has partaken, the Pastor will lead everyone in a closing prayer.*

Gracious God,

We thank You for the sacred time we have shared at Your table today. As we have partaken of this communion, we remember not only the sacrifice of Christ but also the lives of the saints who have gone before us. Their faith and witness inspire us, and we honor their memories in our hearts.

**May the strength we receive from this meal empower us to carry forth Your love into the world. Help us to live in a way that reflects the hope and grace You have shown us.**

When we depart from this sacred gathering, remind us that we are united with our loved ones in faith, and that Your presence goes with us. May we continue to walk in the light of Your love, sharing that light with all whom we encounter. In the name of Jesus, our Savior and Redeemer, we pray. **Amen.**

## OFFERTORY

"As the Dew From Heaven"

Darley

## DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

**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.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION<sup>2</sup>

**Great and Gracious God, May these offerings provide refuge for the lost and mercy for those who suffer. Amen.**

## HYMN

"Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

UMH 557

DENNIS

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE,

Leader: God of grace,  
**All: hear our prayer.**

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

O God of resurrection, you call us by name and raise us to life. Rouse your church from slumber. Where we have held back in fear or shame, unbind us. Embolden us in our proclamation of your good news, that all may know abundant life. Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

O God of creation, you have founded your world on rivers and seas. Preserve fresh water sources and the creatures who call them home. Heal places of pollution and nourish places of drought. Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

O God of the earth, you reign over all nations and peoples. Inspire us with wisdom and discernment as we elect legislators and leaders. May they govern with justice and uphold the dignity of all people.  
Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

O God of heaven, you make your home among mortals. Come alongside those who weep this day. Befriend all who are lonely, encourage those in despair, and heal any who are suffering. Abide with your faithful ones in love.  
Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

O God who serves, you set before us a feast of rich food. Sustain our ministries of fellowship and hospitality. Strengthen the hands and hearts of all who prepare and serve food for our nourishment. Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**

## 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 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.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS – November 3, 2024**

The Women of Faith **Annual Bazaar** will be held on **Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>**. The doors will be **open** for shoppers from **9:30 AM to 2:00 PM**. We will once again be offering a **morning coffee from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM**, and our **Tea Luncheon**, with our famous sandwich loaves, will be held from **11:00 AM to 1:30 PM**. **Morning coffee** is being offered for a **free-will donation**, while the afternoon **tea luncheon** will be through a ticket purchase of **\$7.50**.

The **Choir** welcomes anyone who wants to **join in and sing for the Advent Season**. Advent begins December 1st with **rehearsals on Wednesdays @7 PM beginning next week, November 6**.

## **Central Birthday/Anniversary**

Nov. 3 – Lillian Baker (7<sup>th</sup>) Nov. 4 – Ron Hutchins

### **This Week**

Sat., 11/09 – Central’s Annual Bazaar 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at CUMC.

### **Save the Date**

Mon., 11/11 – Veterans Day Office Closed

Sun., 11/24 – Central’s “Hanging of the Greens” at CUMC.

\*CLOSING HYMN “When We All Get To Heaven”

UMH 701  
HEAVEN

### **BENEDICTION**

*God be with you till we meet again, by his council guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.*

CHORAL BENEDICTION ‘For All the Saints’

J. Bell/J. Weaver

### **POSTLUDE**

“Forest Green”

Smith

Adult Bible Study, Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM  
led by Ray and Diane Bell - ALL are welcome.

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