

All Saints Sunday

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Welcome to Worship and Live Streaming @10:45am

Welcome to Worship

All Saint's Day

November 1, 2026, 10:45am

GATHERING

The people of God come together in the Lord's name.

Welcome

Prelude--Trio in C minor, II. Prayer --Emile Bourgeois

Greg Fiocca, Cello
Jenny Robinson, Flute

Introit--His Name Is Wonderful

Combined Choirs

Call to Worship--

Today we remember the saints who have gone before us,
whose lives reflected God's love and grace.

We give thanks for their faith, their witness, and the love they shared.

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
and we continue the journey of faith with hope.

Let us worship the God of yesterday, today, and forever!

Opening Hymn711--For All the Saints**

Invocation (please be seated)--

Gracious and Eternal God, on this All Saints Sunday, we thank You for the lives that have touched ours, the love that continues to shape us, and the examples of faithfulness that inspire our journey. Remind us that we, too, are called to live as Your saints, sharing Your grace, extending Your compassion, and shining Your light in the world. Fill our worship with gratitude, our hearts with peace, and our lives with renewed hope. Through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord, we pray. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

The Word of God is read and proclaimed for all ages.

Scripture Reading--Hebrews 12:1-2

Gloria Patri (Hymn #70)--

***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.***

God's Word for Young Disciples--(congregation sings "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come forward)

Anthem--Come to Me--Dan Forrest

Chancel Choir

Given in Memory of Gerald Lewis

Roger Lewis, Soloist; Greg Fiocca, Cello

Scripture Reading--Revelation 21:1-5

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon--"The Faith That Lives On"

Pastor Howard Pippin

RESPONSE

The People respond to the Word

Hymn of Response **529--How Firm a Foundation

Discipleship Moment

Offertory--His Eye Is On the Sparrow--arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

Combined Choirs

Greg Fiocca, Cello; Jenny Robinson, Flute

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.***

Prayers of the People/The 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.**

Anthem--Still, Still With Thee--Fred Gramann

Chancel Choir, Jenny Robinson, Flute

Communion of the Saints (Hymnal p. 13)

SENDING FORTH

The people of God are sent forth to serve others and witness to their faith.

Closing Hymn **545--The Church's One Foundation

Benediction--May the Lord Watch Over You--Ruth Elaine Schram

Combined Choirs

Postlude--Concluding Voluntary--Caleb Simper

The flowers on the altar this morning are dedicated to the glory of God and given
in loving memory of Jim, Carol, and Ken Kimble, by Jim & Pam Kimble

Music--One License A-731491

OUR SAINTS

Scott Adie
James Bailey
Harold Bates
Kristan E. Crane
Jane Davis
Gabriel Elissa
Cathy Jean Hammonds
Paula Hannum

James F. Hurd
Carl Koltas
Dwight Konic
Dolores Marefka
Lavinia McIntyre
George McKay
Donald C. O'Hara
Patricia Park

Barbara N. Pells
Patricia Stouffer
Herbert Weiser
Roger Williams
Margaret S. Yeager
Rose Ann Youngkin

***indicates please stand as you are able*

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The fastest way to contact us is to call the church office. After hours voicemails come through to the church staff.

HYMN LYRICS

OPENING HYMN

#711 For All the Saints

1. For all the saints,
who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

2. Thou wast their rock,
their fortress, and their might;
thou Lord,
their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou in the darkness drear,
their one true light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

3. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

4. O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

5. And when the strife is fierce,
the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

6. From earth's wide bounds,
from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams
in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!

HYMN OF RESPONSE

#529 How Firm a Foundation

1. "How firm a foundation,
ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say
than to you he hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2. "Fear not, I am with thee,
O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God
and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen and help thee,
and cause thee to stand
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3. "When through deep waters
I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee,
thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4. "When through fiery trials
thy pathways shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient,
shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee;
I only design
thy dross to consume,
and thy gold to refine.

CLOSING HYMN

#545 The Church's One Foundaton

1. The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the Word.
From heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2. Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth;
her charter of salvation,
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

3. Though with a scornful wonder
we see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

4. Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace evermore;
till, with the vision glorious,
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

NEXT STEPS

The Faith That Lives On - Hebrews 12:1-2; Revelation 21:1-5

We Are Surrounded by a Great Cloud of Witnesses

One of the wonderful things about All Saints Sunday is that it reminds us that we did not get here by ourselves.

The Best Is Still Ahead

There will come a day when God will make all things new.

Now It's Our Turn to Be the Saints

Notice that the Scripture doesn't tell us simply to sit down and admire the faith of those who came before us. It tells us to keep running.

Keep the Faith, Share the Love, Live with Hope

Reflection Questions: Who is a saint in your life whose faith, love, or encouragement helped shape who you are today? How can you honor their legacy through the way you live?

Memory verse: Hebrews 12:1 "let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us."

Next week: Stewardship Sermon "Everything Is a Gift" - 1 Thessalonians 5:12-18

CHURCH NOTES 11-1-26

Arts Series Concert: Our next concert features *The Moonlight Serenaders* with special guest vocalist, Marie Willis-Guarneri, on Friday, November 6 at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. Enjoy music from the *Great American Songbook* played by *Akron's Longest Continuously Performing Big Band!* We hope you'll join us!

TOMORROW: Panda Express Fundraiser benefitting Work Camp from 10:00 AM to 9:30 PM. Present the flyer, found at the Welcome Center, or use code: 3867751 when ordering online or through the app.

AOG Hymn Devotions: The Acts of Grace circle has extended the deadline for submissions of hymn devotions to December 15. Please be sure to include your name. Several who have already submitted items have not included their names. Please send that with a statement of the name of your hymn to Donna Curfman at dcurfmanfallsumc@gmail.com.

Epworth Pie Sale: *Thanksgiving orders* are due November 4 and will be ready for pick-up Sunday, November 22. *Christmas orders* are due December 3 and will be ready December 20. *If you need help getting your pie we will deliver it to you. Please indicate on the order form.* Orders and payment can be placed in the drop box by the Welcome Center OR online via Zeffy (Scan QR code).



Christmas Poinsettias: We are taking Poinsettia orders now through November 11. The cost is \$12 per plant. A list of donors, and those honored or memorialized will be printed in the bulletin on Christmas Eve. Please make checks out to First United Methodist Church with "poinsettia" in the memo. You can call the church office to leave information about honors or memorials, or fill out the form found at the Welcome Center.

Consecration Sunday & Charge Conference: Sunday, November 15 we will gather after the 10:45am worship in Wesley Hall for our annual Charge Conference & Potluck (bring a dish to share). We'll also recognize 50 year members!

Chili Cook Off: November 20 @5:30pm...Do you have what it takes to win the "Golden Ladle?" Sign up to enter your crockpot of chili! More details coming soon! Scan the QR code or contact Marie (fallsfirstmarie@gmail.com) to enter!



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