**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

November 5th, 2023 10:30 a.m. DIGITAL WORSHIP BULLETIN

Rev. David S. Vallelunga, Pastor; Pat Ediger, Liturgist;

Kathy Eckart, Guest Organist; Caroline Fairchild, Violinist; Christina Wong, Zoomlogist

**ALL SAINTS DAY**

PRELUDE *Arioso* J.S. Bach

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Dave GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE Everybody

CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

We gather together in sorrow and in pain;

**IN SADNESS AND IN LOSS,**

But also with an odd mixture of relief and triumph,

**FOR OUR BELOVED SAINTS HAVE RETURNED TO YOU, O LORD, AND WE MISS THEM EVERY DAY.**

Today we commemorate their lives,

**AND CELEBRATE THEIR HEAVENLY CITIZENSHIP! AMEN!**

HYMN # 711 “For All the Saints”

**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!**

**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!**

**O blest communion, fellowship divine!**

**We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**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!**

WE REMEMBER THE SAINTS *(we will begin with a reading of the names of our beloved Trinity members and friends who have gone on to glory since last All Saints Day. You will then be invited to lift up names of your departed beloved ones. Bells will be rung, candles will be lit, and honorable silence will be observed.)*

***Carl Colbie Sally Gjestsen Ellis Harms***

***Doris Harvey JoeAnn Haynes Walt Humphries***

***Betsy Lorenz Virginia Mancebo Betty Peters***

***Zora Sanborn Alois Scott Jerry Summers Frank Zebley***

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US Pastor Dave

OUR LORD’S PRAYER *(Following the prayer, the children may go to Sunday School.)*

GOSPEL Matthew 5. 1-12 Liturgist

HOMILY “A Nine-Fold Tutorial” Pastor Dave

OFFERTORY, DOXOLOGY, and PRAYER OF CONSECRATION Liturgist

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,**

**praise God, all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

HYMN OF PREPARATION # 2272 “Holy Ground”

**We are standing on holy ground,**

**and we know that there are angels all around;**

**let us praise Jesus now, we are standing in His presence, on holy ground…**

**We are singing on holy ground,**

**and we fill the room with blessed holy sound;**

**let us praise Jesus now, we are singing in His presence, on holy ground…**

**We are mourning on holy ground,**

**and our pain for those we love is quite profound;**

**yet God’s comfort knows no bounds,**

**while we mourn together here, on holy ground…**

**We’re communing on holy ground,**

**and the table of the Lord is where we’re bound;**

**let us praise Jesus now, we will meet Him at the table, on holy ground…**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION Pastor Dave

WE RECEIVE THE FEAST *(We will come forward today for the bread and the juice…please kneel or stand to receive. If you cannot come forward, please alert an usher and the sacrament will be brought to you.)*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Siciliano*, J.S. Bach *Rêverie*, C. Debussy *The Swan*, C. Saint-Säens

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE Pastor Dave

CLOSING HYMN # 2155 “Blest Are They”

**Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.**

**Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.  
Rejoice, and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!**

**Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!**

**Blest are they, the lowly ones: they shall inherit the earth.**

**Blest are they, who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.  
Rejoice, and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!**

**Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!**

**Blest are they, who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.**

**Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God!  
Rejoice, and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!**

**Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!**

**Blest are they, who seek peace; they are the children of God.**

**Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs.  
Rejoice, and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!**

**Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!**

**Blest are you, who suffer hate, all because of me.  
Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.  
Rejoice, and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!**

**Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!**

BLESSING In the spirit of All Saints Day, we offer this prayer from far, far away: ***As the fallow leaf of the tree falls to the ground when its days are gone, even so the earthly lives of our loved ones come to a close. As a dew-drop dangling from the tip of a blade of grass lasts but a short time, even so the lives of humans. It is rare wisdom to cast aside all our attachments as the leaves of a lotus fall into the autumnal water, finished with their earthly purpose. Yet going the same way as the perfected saints, we will reach God’s world of perfection, where there is safety and wholesome happiness. Amen.***

POSTLUDE *Ashokan Farewell* J. Unger