



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fayetteville First UMC

All Saints' Sunday

November 6, 2022

11:00 AM

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth
Aria from Elijah, Op.70: No. 39 - Felix Mendelssohn

Mr. Justin Maxey
Director of Music & Organist
Stephen Rotz, tenor

*Then shall the righteous shine forth
As the sun in their heavenly Father's realm.
Joy on their head shall be for everlasting,
And all sorrow and mourning shall flee away for ever.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 149:1-4

Dr. Martin and **People**

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.

*HYMN 711 (Vv. 1, 2, 4, 6)

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

*INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

Dr. Martin and **People**

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Let us pray together:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love,

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**we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Dr. Martin

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:
"The peace of Christ be with you." **"And also with you."**

MINISTRY MOMENT

Ms. Cindy Hall

PASTORAL PRAYER

Dr. Martin

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

There Is A Land of Pure Delight
Grayston Ives

Chancel Choir

*There is a land of pure delight where saints immortal reign;
Infinite day excludes the night and pleasures banish pain.
There everlasting spring abides and never withering flowers;
Death like a narrow sea divides that heavenly land from ours.
Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood stand dressed in living green;
So to the Jews old Canaan stood while Jordan rolled between.
But tim'rous mortals start and shrink to cross the narrow sea,
And linger shivering on the brink, and fear to launch away.
O could we make our doubts remove, those gloomy doubts that rise,
And see the Canaan that we love with unobscured eyes.
Could we but climb where Moses stood and view the landscape o'er;
Not Jordan's stream, nor death's cold flood should fright us from the shore.*

***DOXOLOGY**

OLD 100th

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dr. Martin

*Children are invited to return to seats.
No Wonders of Worship today as we celebrate Communion together.*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Dr. Martin and People

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. “Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. ²²“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. ²⁴“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵“Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. “Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. ²⁶“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dr. Martin

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your 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.

... And so,
 with your people on earth
 and all the company of heaven
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The musical notation is written on three staves in a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might. heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

... 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.



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—

***THE NAMING OF THE SAINTS**

Mr. Bill Webb
Lay Leader

Silence may be kept for the remembrance of names.

We remember with thanksgiving the saints of our church who this year passed
from the church on earth to the church triumphant.

Raney Price	December 6, 2021
Jennings Watkins	December 16, 2021
Vivian Wilson	December 18, 2021
Joe Byers	December 18, 2021
Janet Wyndham	January 6, 2022
Brenda Smith	January 9, 2022
Billie Clayton	January 18, 2022
Len Gough	January 10, 2022
Lewis Watson	February 8, 2022
Jim Mason	February 24, 2022
Larry Croft	March 6, 2022
Margaret Panter	April 17, 2022
Henrietta Lunsford	April 19, 2022
Annelle Burch	April 23, 2022
Brad Wilkinson	April 27, 2022
Betty Jo Bowen	May 11, 2022

Rose Hood	May 16, 2022
James Tucker	May 24, 2022
David Hobson	May 30, 2022
Paul Condon	June 28, 2022
Anne Free	July 1, 2022
Russell Edmondson	July 13, 2022
Thelma McMillan	July 26, 2022
Jimmy Combs	August 18, 2022
Williams (Bill) Bowman	October 24, 2022
Pam Ross	
James T. Lunsford	

and all the Saints gone before us who we now name in our hearts.

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,
now and for ever.



And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:



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debt-ors. And lead us not in-to temp - ta-tion, but de - liv-er us from e - vil, For Thine is the

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king-dom, and the pow-er, and the glo-ry, for - ev - ver. A - men. A - men.

HOLY COMMUNION

Gluten-free elements are available upon request at the chancel.

You are invited to contribute to the benevolence fund by leaving an offering on the chancel rail. These funds are used to assist those in need.

*HYMN 712

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

GRAND ISLE

*BENEDICTION

Dr. Martin

*Do all the good you can, by all the means you can,
in all the ways you can, in all the places you can,
at all the times you can, to all the people you can,
as long as ever you can.*

POSTLUDE

Sine nomine
arr. Paul Leddington Wright

Mr. Maxey

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

ABOUT COMMUNION

In the United Methodist Church, communion is a sacrament. It is sacred and set apart. A sacrament is a sign, a symbol, and a reminder. It reminds us of God's love. As a symbol, the wafer and the juice we use are things we can see and touch that remind us of something we cannot see and we cannot touch: the grace of God at work in all of our lives.

Today is All Saints' Sunday. It is a day to celebrate with hope the life eternal of those we have lost. May God grant them, and us, peace through this sacrament. We also have the opportunity to kneel at the altar this morning as we place our pledge cards in person or in spirit before God. As we celebrate communion, we do so as both receiving and expecting God's grace in our lives. This table is not a United Methodist table. This table does not belong to Fayetteville First. It is the Lord's table.

As you kneel at the altar this morning in body or in spirit, if you would like to leave a donation to our Benevolence Fund here at the church, you are invited to do so by placing your gift on the altar rail.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Richard Clayton
Margaret Grainger

Martha Hale
Don Harp
Tangie Hubbard
Cindy Jennings

Sara Johnston
Doris Kerlin
Claudia Rhodes
Tom Starling

Brenda Tierman
Helen Voyles
Mabel Wilbanks

The flowers in the sanctuary today are presented to the glory of God
and in remembrance of Marsha Minnick by her daughter, Anna Mayhew.



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