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# NOVEMBER 5, 2023

# HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE CELEBRATION OF ALL SAINTS & REMEMBERING THOSE FROM OUR CHURCH FAMILY

(\*) The congregation is invited to stand as they are able. (BOLD-FACED TYPE) Congregation responds

# THE CHURCH GATHERS

Silent Prayer and time for Centering

Prelude Swing Low, Sweet Chariot Arr. For Organ by Dr. Robert Swift

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## NAMING OF SAINTS

Sandi Suydam / Helen Marison / Kitty Jenness / Hans Walter / Dick Parker / Joan and Mike Brown / Gloria Hartford / Norman Sanborn

## \*LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE \*\*

At the rising sun and at its going down; We will remember you.

At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter; We will remember you.

At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring; We will remember you.

- At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer; We will remember you.
- At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of the autumn; We will remember you.
- At the beginning of the year and when it ends; We will remember you.
- When we are weary and in need of strength; We will remember you.
- When we are lost and sick at heart;
  - We will remember you.
- When we have decisions that are difficult to make; We will remember you.
- When we have joy we crave to share; We will remember you.
- When we have achievements that are based on theirs; We will remember you.
- For as long as we live, you too will live,

for you are now a part of us as we remember you.

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

Holy Days and Various Occasions

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Silence for Personal Confession

## \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH \*\*\*

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress,

or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

# No!

In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.

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# WE PASS THE PEACE OF CHRIST

# THE CHURCH HEARS THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson:

1 John 3:1-3

(Pg 990 NRSV)

<u>ANTHEM</u>

Let our choirs new anthems raise, bright the morn with gladness; when God turned to joy and praise all his servants sadness: this the day that won their crown, opened heavens wide portal; they, mortality laid down, entered life immortal.

Now they stand before the throne clothed in robes of splendor, death and torment overthrown, praise to God they render; Praise alike to Christ their King from their lips is sounding, as they adoration bring for his grace abounding.

Let us then due honor pay as we raise our voices, for the saints in whom today all the church rejoices; Let God's people here below still recount their story, how they fought against the foe for the Saviors glory.

#### Alleluia! Amen

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### TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

(When children are present)

## HYMN OF PREPARATION



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Please remain standing for the reading of the Gospel.

\*GOSPEL LESSON

<u>Matthew 5:1-12</u>

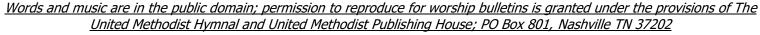
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For the word of God in Scripture, For the word of God among us, For the word of God within us,

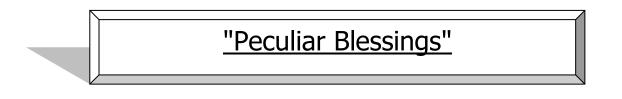
#### Thanks be to God!

# \*GLORIA PATRI





SERMON Pastor Ho-Soon Han



# THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD OF GOD

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Sharing of Joys and Concerns

# **PRAYER SONG**



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### INVITATION TO PRAYER

Leader: "The Lord be with you"

People: "and also with you"

### SILENT PRAYER

### PRAYER SONG (from above)

#### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

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#### **OFFERTORY**

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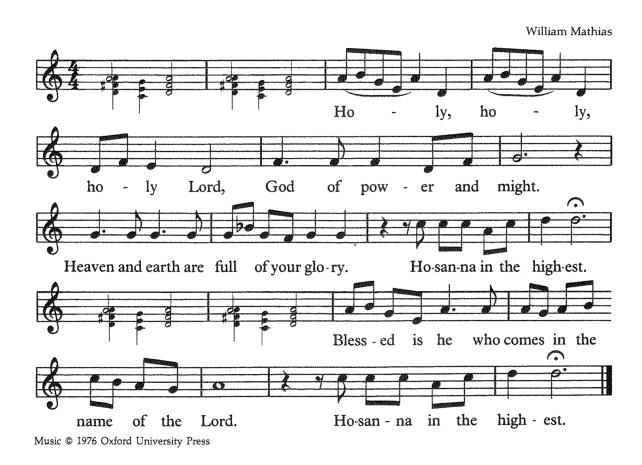
#### Offertory Prayer:

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

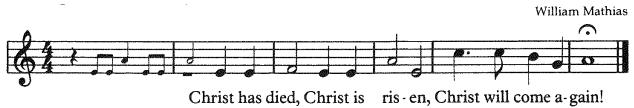
The Lord be with you.... **And also with you.** Lift Up Your hearts..... **We lift them up to the Lord** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.....

### It is right to give our thanks and praise

..... and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

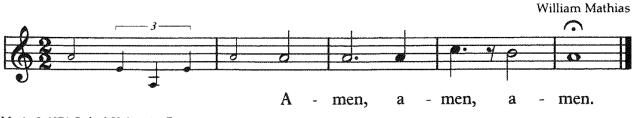


..... in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.....



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..... all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.



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### **The Lord's Prayer**

(UMH p. 895)

Communion is Celebrated

At this time in your homes, please feel free to share the bread and the cup as you are able and know that we are still connected in the family of God.

Prayer Following Communion:

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery

in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world

in the strength of your Spirit,

to give ourselves for others,

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# THE CHURCH IS SENT TO SERVE

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#### \*BENEDICTION

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Liturgist:

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### Looking Ahead

Readings for November 12, 2023 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost <u>Joshua 24: 1-3, 14-25 / Psalm 78:1-7</u> <u>1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 / Matthew 25:1-13</u>

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