

# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

November 7, 2021

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son, Christ our Lord. Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God in glory everlasting. Amen.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE	Christ is Made the Sure Foundation David Marvel, Organist	Henry Purcell
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### BRINGING THE LIGHT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord, all you saints!

**Praise him all you heavenly hosts!**

Let us praise the name of the Lord:

**For his name only is exalted!**

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob:

**Isaiah, Jeremiah and all you Patriarchs and Prophets!**

Miriam, Ruth and Naomi:

**Elizabeth, Mary and all you Holy Women!**

Matthew, Mark and Luke:

**James and John and all you Evangelists and Apostles!**

Stephen, Thomas, Peter and Paul:

**Philip, Bartholomew and all you Holy Martyrs!**

Praise the Lord!

**O praise the name of the Lord!**

These are the saints whose robes are washed white in the blood of the Lamb.

**Praise the Lord!**

We are the saints who are the living body of Christ, the Church.

**Praise the Lord! O praise the name of the Lord!**

*SONG OF PRAISE	Rejoice in God's Saints	Hymnal, No. 732
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#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory Be to the Father

Hymnal, No. 581

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

John Beck

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 21:1-6a

Page No. 1007

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalms 24

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

**for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.**

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.**

They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation.

**Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Selah**

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

**Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.**

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

**Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah**

SCRIPTURE READING

John 11:32-44

Page No. 874

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Tracy L. Evans

### REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

For all the Saints who have gone before us,

**God, we give thanks for our ancestors in the faith.**

For all the Saints who have been beloved to us,

**God, we give thanks for our loved ones who have passed on.**

For all the Saints who have left us too soon,

**God, we mourn their passing, and they remain in our hearts.**

For all the Saints who have exemplified the faithful life,

**God, may we learn from their ways and follow You.**  
On this day, we name those who are in our hearts

THE OFFERING  
OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY      Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow      Hymnal, No. 606

\*DEDICATION PRAYER

**SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

COMMUNION SONG      Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table      Hymnal, No. 506

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!**

Christ is the bread of life.

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the saving death of our risen Lord until he comes in glory.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG      For All the Saints      Hymnal, No. 326

\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

\*POSTLUDE      Blest are They      David Haas

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

**Lectionary Readings** for November 14: Semicontinuous: 1 Samuel 1:4-20 and 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Complementary: Daniel 12:1-3 and Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8.

The **Food & Shelter** item of the month for November is **any non-perishable Thanksgiving items**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

**Hearing-assistance** devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.

**Following worship, you are invited to gather at the columbarium** outside the narthex door for a brief commemoration of those who are inurned there.

**Next Sunday, November 14, there will be a Congregational Meeting** for the purpose of electing officers. The Nominating Committee will be presenting the following slate: Session Class of 2024: Joan Cole, Nick Lindley, Tim Thiessen. Session Class of 2022: Lucy Lanning. Deacons Class of 2024: Jo Beth Bailey, Mike Cole, Ann Forsyth. Opportunities for nominations from the floor are always in order.

# Rejoice in God's Saints

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1 Re - joice in God's saints, to - day and all days!  
 2 Some march with e - vents to turn them God's way;  
 3 Re - joice in those saints, un - praised and un - known,  
 4 Re - joice in God's saints, to - day and all days!

A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.  
 some need to with - draw, the bet - ter to pray;  
 who bear some - one's cross, or shoul - der their own;  
 A world with - out saints for - gets how to praise.

Their faith in ac - quir - ing the hab - it of prayer,  
 some car - ry the gos - pel through fire and through flood:  
 they share our com - plain - ing, our com - forts, our cares:  
 In lov - ing, in liv - ing, they prove it is true:

their depth of a - dor - ing, Lord, help us to share.  
 our world is their par - ish; their pur - pose is God.  
 what pa - tience in car - ing, what cour - age, is theirs!  
 their way of self - giv - ing, Lord, leads us to you.

# 506 Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!

1 Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries  
 2 Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -  
 3 Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou - sand  
 4 Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to

that they bring. Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing;  
 ers ap - pear, saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled  
 dif - ferent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon:  
 be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,

some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why they're in -  
 with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of his de -  
 they all end in thanks and praise for the host who has in -  
 who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es bread and

vit - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done. Christ in - sists they  
 ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight; Paul re - lates his  
 vit - ed north and south and east and west to con - verge a -  
 breaks it— truth and man - na from a - bove!—and then pass - es

## For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;  
 3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!  
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,  
 5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;  
 We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet  
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and  
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
 hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.  
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!

We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet

all are one in thee, for all are thine.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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