

With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones, where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love by word and deed to all people. Based on I Peter 2:5, 6

The Worship of God

All Saints Sunday

Gathering Music

"God of the Sparrow"

ROEDER;

Words by Jaroslav J. Vajda, Music by Carl F. Schalk

"Come to the Table of Grace"

TABLE OF GRACE; Words and Music by Barbara Hamm

"Love the Lord"

Words and Music by Lincoln Brewster

Dante Bowe, and Benjamin Hastings

"Love Your Crooked Neighbor with Your Crooked Heart" Words and Music by Christian McIvor ©2018

Prelude

"Give Thanks"

arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

† All Saints Litany

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

All: And also with you!

One: Lord God, by your grace, we are running a race.

All: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses--

One: Patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets and psalmists, disciples and evangelists, martyrs and saints.

All: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live, who followed, obeyed, adored you.

One: Lord God, by your grace we are running a race.

All: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses--

One: Loved ones now resting in you, who guided us, nurtured and cared for us; ancestors who worked and traveled, lived and died that we might be who we are, where we are-- your precious children in this community of believers.

All: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die, who counted you their great reward - accept our thankful cry.

One: Lord God, by your grace we are running a race.

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[†] Please rise in body or spirit.

All: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses--

One: Members of this congregation,

Mary Baldridge Greta McMillan
Martha Castleberry Hazel Perdue
Alice Dickens Cathy Smith
Tim Hendrix Helen Tugwell
Duane Long David Wilson

friends who helped, guided and uplifted us-- children of your family, sheep of your fold, sinners of your redeeming.

All: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For this, your name we bless, and humbly pray anew, that we like them in holiness may live and die in you.

One: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also

lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,

All: And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

One: Looking to Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

† Opening Hymn

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Sing" NETTLETON; Words by Robert Robinson (alt.), Music from Wyeth's *Repository of Music, Part Second*

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious love.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

During the last stanza of our Opening Hymn, all children are invited to come forward for today's children's sermon.

Children's Sermon April Alston

Pastoral Prayer Anna Beth Cross

Offertory Anthem

"Welcome to God's Love" GBC Choir

Words by Lindy Thompson, Music by Mark Miller

Families of all shapes and kinds, love the only tie that binds this gathering of open minds, welcome to God's love.

Every person has a place in this holy, sacred space, earth's entire human race, welcome! Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

Welcome! Welcome! Come and feel God's love!

No proof required of your worth, a gift to you before your birth from God, who made the heavens and earth. Welcome to God's love.

We'll love each other and take care of every need encountered there, within God's heart there is room to spare. Welcome! Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

Welcome! Welcome to God's love! Come, and live God's love!

† Doxology 817

"O Bless the Gifts"

LAMB OF GOD: Words by Samuel Longfellow, alt., Music by Twila Paris

O bless the gifts our hands have brought; And bless the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; The rest, O God, is in Your hand.

† Prayer of Dedication

Amy Ng

Scripture Reading Luke 10:25-37 Steve Wheeler

"Gift and Grace" Sermon Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Silent Reflection

Communion

Chrissy Tatum Williamson and April Alston

† Musical Response "One Bread, One Body"

Words and Music by John B. Foley, SJ

(See music and text on page 6)

Celebrating Community

Steve Rose

Sending Song

"Peace, Salaam, Shalom"

by Pat Humphries and Sandy Opatow

Higher voices start, then lower voices enter. Repeat ad lib.



Benediction

Chrissy Tatum Williamson

Postlude

"He Is Exalted" Pam Weis

arr. Mark Hayes

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"One Bread, One Body"



This Lord's Supper text is based on various Scriptures (1 Corinthians 10:16–17, Galatians 3:28, and 1 Corinthians 12:1–31) as well as imagery from the *Didache*, a significant Christian document from the early 2nd century, about scattered grain united in the eucharistic bread.

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