



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

November 2, 2025

Gathering Music

"When We Must Bear Persistent Pain"
GBC Worship Band

Words by Ruth Duck Music from Walker's *Southern Harmony* harm. David N. Johnson

"This Is a Move"

Words and Music by Tasha Cobbs Leonard, Brandon Lake, Nate Moore, and Tony Brown

"Come As You Are"

Words and Music by Gary and Leonora Rand

PROSPECT

"Come to the Cross"

Words and Music by Christian McIvor ©2022

Prelude

"'Healer' with by M. Guglielmucci and W.J. Kirkpatrick
'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus'" arr. M. McDonald and B.K. Smith
Pam Weis

Welcome

April Alston

CLEANSING

†Sung Call to Worship #654 "Change My Heart, O God"

One: Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

All: Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

One: You are the Potter, I am the clay;

Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

All: Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

Children's Sermon

April Alston

†Hymn of Preparation #389 "Spirit of the Living God" (Stanza 2)

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me. Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me. Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me. Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Litany of Readiness

Christian McIvor

One: Seek the Lord while he may be found,
All: Call upon the Lord while he is near.
One: Let us abandon our wicked ways

All: And let us abandon our unrighteous thoughts.

One: Oh God, we have sinned against you and one another;

All: Pardon us through the love of Jesus.

One: Oh God, we have wavered in our faith in you and one another;

All: Pardon us through the love of Jesus.

One: God, we come today seeking cleansing and restoration.

All: Refresh us with the love of Jesus.

One: God, we need your love so desperately.

All: Renew us through the love of Jesus.

One: Please God, have mercy upon our church and our church family.

All: Restore us in the love of Jesus. Amen!

GRATITUDE

Pastoral Prayer and Appreciation of the Saints

Anna Beth Cross

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

All: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses—

One: Members of this congregation,

Bobby Hunter Eddy Ng Ellen Staley friends who helped, guided and uplifted us—children of your family,

sheep of your fold, sinners of your redeeming.

We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. All:

For this, your name we bless, and humbly pray anew, that we like them in holiness may live and die in you.

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

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,

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

Communion

Bo Prosser and Anna Beth Cross

Offertory Anthem

"Goin' Home" GBC Choir

arr. Paul Langford

†Doxology

"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. (Repeat)

†Prayer of Dedication

Carl Dawson

RESTORATION

Litany for Restoration

April Alston

One: Lord, make us instruments of your peace. We come confessing and seeking your love, All:

One: We come confessing that we have fallen short of your love.

We come seeking cleansing for our sins. All: One: We come hopeful that your love is for us all.

We come hopeful that as you love us, we can love one another. All: One: Where there has been hurt and pain, let us share love and comfort.

All: Loving God, we pray that we may seek One: To console more than being consoled,

To understand more than being understood, All:

One: Restore us, Oh God, to be the people of Providence.

Restore us, Oh God, to be Your people. Amen! All:

Thoughts on Restoration A Homily of Hope and Healing

Bo Prosser

Anointing

GBC Ministerial Staff

†Hymn of Response

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS Words by Thomas O. Chisholm Music by William Marion Runyan

Verse 1:

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator; there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Verse 2:

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)

Verse 3:

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

Blessing of Assurance

Bo Prosser

†Sending Song

"For the Beauty of the Earth" (Excerpt)

Words by Folliott Sandford Pierpoint (alt.)
Music by Conrad Kocher

For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given; for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

†BenedictionBo Prosser

Postlude

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"
Susan Gardner

BEECHER by John Zundel

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