

St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church

November 7, 2021 | 24th Sunday after Pentecost | Service for the Lord's Day All Saints Rememberance | 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

GATHERING

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS VOLUNTARY

Sarah Chancellor-Watson Steven B. Blackmon

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Sydney Lawder

For all the countless saints of history, who have blazed a trail of faithfulness through time, We remember, O God. For the right words at the right time, for the healing words of comforters, for the courageous acts of fearless love,

We remember, O God.

For the gentle strength of grandmothers, for the kindness of strangers, for the extraordinary faith of ordinary saints,

We remember, O God.

For the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, shown forth in the lives of his disciples, We remember, O God.

Young and old, dead and living, strange and familiar, quiet and articulate, brilliant and ordinary,

We remember in every time and place the saints of God who have reflected to us God's grace and glory. *PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, you have set us in the company of saints past and present who have made bold witness to your goodness and your truth. Write the stories of your people deep into our hearts so that we may learn to trust you beyond our fears. Give us hearts and minds and spirits ready to trust and follow where your Spirit leads, confident that we will never wander beyond your loving embrace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

•†*HYMN 821 "My Life Flows On" HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

- •CALL TO CONFESSION
- •PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for all the saints, ordinary people who have exhibited in one way or another your extraordinary grace. Forgive us for thinking discipleship or sainthood is about achieving a level of perfection rather than pursuing steadfast love and faithfulness. Forgive us for thinking that we have not been called to be used and used up in Christ's service, forgive us for thinking we have not been called to use our gifts to serve your purposes in this world, forgive us for thinking that there is anything in us or out there that could make us unworthy of your grace. Give us grace, O God, that we may leave a legacy of faithfulness to encourage and challenge those who follow us along the way of discipleship; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SILENT REFLECTION

KYRIE Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us. Blackmon

•ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING (response: Thanks be to God.)

†MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN:

Psalm 146 Challenger Class

Hebrews 9:24-28

•SECOND READING (response: Thanks be to God.)

Chris Currie

•SERMON "Living Vicariously" •*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Nicene Creed" (unison)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

•*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

•THE OFFERING

"And I Saw a New Heaven"

Bainton

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;

and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

The Chancel Choir Chamber Singers

•SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table Great Prayer of Thanksgiving, Memorial Prayer, and The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal, page 35) Words of Institution Communion of the People Prayer after Communion

SENDING

•*HYMN 326

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

•*VOLUNTARY

"For All the Saints"

SINE NOMINE

"The Irish Blessing"

Blackmon

•8:30 service | *Please stand as you are able | †Latecomers seated Large print bulletins are available. Please see an usher.

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

<u>THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY</u> are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harvey Bolton and Mrs. Jacob Edward Hassinger, by the Robert Conery Hassinger family.

<u>TODAY'S USHERS</u> for the 8:30 service are Mayson Buffington, Miriam Hollar, Thomas Schulingkamp, and Wesley Simon. The ushers for the 10:30 service are Randy Evans, Jackie Derks, Carro Gardner, Rick Grubb, and Mimi Koch.

THIS MORNING WE REMEMBER those members who have died in the last year: Dr. Walter Harris, Mrs. Rosemary Kennedy, Mrs. Peggy M. Shoemaker, Mr. D. Blair Favrot, Dr. Francis (Duke) LeJeune, Dr. Dan K. Winstead, Mrs. Marie Louise Buffington, Mrs. Ann Bell, Mr. Leonard E. Gessner, Jr., and Mr. Douglas H. Curry.

<u>CHILD-FRIENDLY WORSHIP SPACE</u>: While people of all ages are welcome and encouraged to worship in the Sanctuary, our "Pray Ground" in Frampton Fellowship Hall provides an alternative child-friendly space for families to worship together for the 10:30 service via livestream.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 9:30-10:15: scape.org/sunday-school for details and Zoom links

SPECIAL ADULT CLASS TODAY:

"Three (Southern) Saints: The Faith of Will Campbell, Vernon Johns, and Flannery O'Connor", examining their responses to the social norms of the American South in the 1940s, 50s, and 60s. | Frampton Fellowship Hall and Zoom

ADULT CLASSES RESUMING NEXT WEEK:

"Pairadocs" - September 19-December 19 | 2nd floor Learning Center (in-person only): Exploring a humorous marriage, parenting, and family podcast by a father-son duo with Ph.D.'s in Clinical Counseling.

"First Light: Jesus and the Kingdom of God" - October 10-November 21 | Land Building Lakeside Room and Zoom: A study of the historical Jesus and the Kingdom of God told on location throughout Galilee and Jerusalem.

<u>YOUTH</u>: 6th-12th graders meet in the Youth Room on the 3rd floor as well as virtually on Instagram (@SCAPC_Youth). To learn more, visit scapc.org/youth. <u>CHILDREN</u> ages 2 - 5th grade are divided into age groups to study the Old and New Testaments and learn how the Biblical stories relate to their lives today. Locations are posted at the State Street entrance. <u>THE NURSERY</u> is open from 8:15-11:45 a.m. for children ages 0-3.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCAPC is seeking to hire members to serve as <u>WEDDING COORDINATORS</u> who will work with the Assistant to the Senior Pastor to divide wedding scheduling as their calendars allow. Training for this position will be provided. Please contact Lynn Hoffman for information, lynn@scapc.org.

The Global Ministries Committee, in cooperation with the Community Ministries Committee, will host a <u>MISSIONS MARKETPLACE</u> next Sunday, November 14 following both services in Frampton Fellowship Hall. This will be an "alternative" holiday shopping experience where your gift purchases will directly serve our sisters and brothers not only in NOLA but also worldwide. Watch for details in Tuesday's Quatrefoil e-newsletter! (Sign up to receive at scapc.org.)

<u>CONGREGATIONAL CARE PANTRY DRIVE</u>: Help us stock our freezer with meals for those needing some extra care in our congregation! Following worship today, pick up an empty container (or two) in Frampton Fellowship Hall to fill with your favorite soups, stews, or chilis. Please return them to the church freezer throughout the week or next Sunday, clearly labeled with the contents and date.

<u>STAFF SPOTLIGHT</u>: This week we will spotlight Pierce Young, Facilities Coordinator, who has served on the SCAPC Staff for 15 years! Read about Pierce in Tuesday's Quatrefoil e-newsletter.

