November 2 2025 All Saint's Sunday Cokesbury UMC

Welcome and Greeting Pastor Gayle

Bringing in the Light Acolyte

Song Spirit of the Living God UMH 393

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

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Call to Worship Liturgist

L: Praise our God, all you people, all who are in awe of the Lord, small and great.

All: Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty reigns.

L: Let us rejoice and exult and give God the glory.

All: Blessed are those who are invited to the feast of the

**Lamb.** Adapted from Revelation 19:5-9

Hymn Marching to Zion UMH 733

Come we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord and thus surround the throne and thus surround the throne.

*Refrain* We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; We're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but children of the heavenly King, but children of the heavenly King may speak their joys abroad, may speak their joys abroad. *Refrain* 

The hill of Zion yields a thousand sacred sweets before we reach the heavenly fields, before we reach the heavenly fields, or walk the golden streets, or walk the golden streets. *Refrain* 

Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry; we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, we're marching through Emmanuel's ground, to fairer worlds on high, to fairer worlds on high. *Refrain* 

Opening Prayer: Lord of all nations, you hold this fragile world securely in your hands; at the same time you are so personal as to live within each believer through your Spirit. Meet with us this day. Help us to see you in the faces of our sisters and brothers, to hear you in the words of Holy Scripture and to be nourished by you at your table. Convince us of your presence as we worship so that we may be inspired to live our lives for your glory and offer your love to all. Through Christ, our Lord and Savior, we pray. Amen.

Scripture Reading Revelation 7:9-17 Liturgist After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs

of the living water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Liturgist: For the Word of God to us. The Word of God for us.

The Word of God among us. We say: All: Thanks be to God!

Act of Praise Choir

Message Called to Be a Saint Pastor Gayle

Remembering the Saints

Scripture Reading Hebrews 12:1-3, 12-13 Liturgist 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, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfector of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed.

Pastor: Let us remember and give thanks for these brothers and sisters in Christ, to whom God has given rest from their labors.

Reading of Names: A moment of silence after each name

Hymn Steal Away to Jesus UMH 704
Refrain Steal away, steal away; steal away to Jesus.
Steal away, steal away home. I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the thunder; the trumpet sounds within a my soul. I ain't got long to stay here. *Refrain* 

Green trees a-bending, poor sinners stand a-trembling; the trumpet sounds within a my soul. I ain't got long to stay here. *Refrain* 

My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the lightening; the trumpet sounds within a my soul. I ain't got long to stay here. *Refrain* 

Prayer: Almighty God, we give you thanks for these your servants whom we remember today. Grant us grace to follow them as they followed Christ. Bring us, with them, to those things no eye has seen, nor ear heard, which you have prepared for those who love you.

All: Give us faith to look beyond touch and sight, and seeing that we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, enable us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. Bring us at last to your eternal peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

**Prayer of Confession** 

UMH 8

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pardon Pastor: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! All: Glory to God. Amen

Passing the Peace May the peace of Christ be with you.

Offering

Hymn When We All Get to Heaven UMH 701 Sing the wondrous love of Jesus; sing his mercy and his grace. In the mansions bright and blessed he'll prepare for us a place.

*Refrain:* When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all se Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will overspread the sky; but when traveling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh. *Refrain* 

Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving every day; just one glimpse of him in glory will the toils of life repay. *Refrain* 

Onward to the prize before us! Soon his beauty we'll behold; soon the pearly gates will open; we shall tread the streets of gold. *Refrain* 

Doxology

Holy Communion The Great Thanksgiving UMH 9

P: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

P: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

All: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

**UMH 895** 

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into

temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Announcements** 

Song

Benediction

TFWS: The Faith We Sing UMH: United Methodist Hymnal

Please pray for: Mary C., Kyle, Elaine, Roshier, John and MaryBeth, Nalo, Chas, Ayinde, Pearl and family, Koto, Lance, Mary L., Immigrants, Tom F., Jeannie and family, Emmanuel and family, Louise, Mark Y., Falla.

## This Week at Cokesbury

Centering Prayer Wednesdays at 5:30pm

Choir Practice Saturdays at Noon

Men's Breakfast Saturday November 1st at 8:30am

New book study begins Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup> following worship

Cokesbury will be hosting a Chili Cook Off by the United Youth in Christ on Sunday November 23<sup>rd</sup> 5pm-7pm. Please come and enjoy the meal and the gathering of our UMC in Woodbridge.

<u>Ministries</u> Featherstone Elementary School. Weekend food bags. In need vegetable and fruit cups and single serving lunch entrees.

Sweatpants all sizes, underwear sizes 8-16. Winter coats all sizes.

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