

The Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship
All Saints' Sunday, November 5, 2023 - 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Come, Thou Almighty King
Knox Bell Choir

arr. Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Maureen Paterson, Associate Pastor

Show us your ways, O Lord!

Lead us in your truth, and teach us.

**Open our eyes, minds, and hearts
to know your will and to follow it.**

Reveal your vision for us,

and keep us focused and faithful to what you would have us do.

**Bring us together to worship and work for your purpose,
and move us forward into your future.**

*HYMN 326

For All the Saints

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God,

in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith.

We confess that we have too often been 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 ways,

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. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

We Are Forgiven

HYMN 447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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.

I invite you to turn and greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

WORDS OF WELCOME

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP 2024 Come to the Table

Julie Roberts

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Stacy Currie, Director of Ministries to Children and Their Families

Let the Children Come

by Helen Kemp

**Let the little children come to me.
Let them come and gather at my knee.
Let them come, dear friends, for don't you see,
this is how God's kingdom ought to be?
This is how God's kingdom ought to be.**

((Children ages preschool–grade 5 are invited to attend Sunday School. Middle School students are invited to attend Bibles & Bagels. Nursery care is available for children ages 2 years and younger.)

*HYMN 511

Come, Behold the Feast of Heaven

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Matthew 11:28-30; Luke 14:1-24

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

When the Invitation List Expands

Dennis Jones, Pastor

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

How Shall I Sing That Majesty?

Sanctuary Choir

Words by John Mason

Music by Ryan Hebert

How shall I sing that majesty which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie; Sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around thy throne, O God most high;
Ten thousand times ten thousand sound thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears, whilst I Thy footsteps trace;
A sound of God comes to my ears, but they behold Thy face.
They sing because Thou art their Sun; Lord, send a beam on me;
For where heaven is but once begun there alleluias be.

Enlighten with faith's light my heart, inflame it with love's fire;
Then shall I sing and bear a part with that celestial choir.
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold, with all my fire and light;
Yet when Thou dost accept their gold, Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is Thine, which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore, a sun without a sphere;
Thy time is now and evermore, thy place is everywhere.

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

HYMN 606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
INVITATION

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Let us pray...

*Gerald Beaudry
Margaret Greenway
Kenneth Helland*

*Paul Jenkins
Nancy Mallett
Blanche Stires*

*Barbara Szabo
John Thornton
William Todt*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SERVING THE BREAD AND FRUIT OF THE VINE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN 707 *Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Festival Canticle
Organ

by Richard Hillert

Our acolytes this morning are Gabe and Gemma Balboni.

Please join us for a reception in Toby's honor in the Parlor immediately following worship.

Flowers

The Flowers are given to the glory of God:

~In loving memory of family and friends, by Jean Aurnhammer.

~In loving memory of her husband John, by Monique Thornton.

The flowers that grace our sanctuary each week are gifts from members of the congregation. Flowers may be given in memory or in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion and cost \$42 per pier. If you would like to donate an arrangement, please contact our flower coordinator Ellen Johnson at (908) 285-1638 or email her at flowers@brpc.org.



Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 5

Early Bible Study, 8:30 a.m., online

Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Streamed Live, 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Calvin Hall

Bibles & Bagels, 10:15 a.m., Church House Library

Fellowship Time & Reception For Toby Montgomery, 11:00 a.m., Church House Parlor

Confirmation Class, 11:30 a.m., Church House Library

Combined Middle School/Sr. High Fellowship, 5:00 p.m., Youth Center

Monday, November 6

Leisure Learning, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Shelter Friends, 12:00 p.m., Church House Parlor

Meditation Group, 7:30 p.m., online

Session, 7:30 p.m., Church House Parlor

Tuesday, November 7

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., online

Oak Tree Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Geneva & Middle Rooms

Children's Mid-week, 4:15 p.m., Westminster Hall & Knox Room

Scout Troop #351, 7:00 p.m., Youth Center

Tuesday Night Small Group, 7:15 p.m., Church House Library & online

Wednesday, November 8

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & online

Church Librarians Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Church House Library

Wednesday Evening Discussion Group, 7:00 p.m., online

Thursday, November 9

Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., online

Seeking Strength in Troubled Times, 9:15 a.m., online

Meditation Group, 4:30 p.m., online

Seeking Strength in Troubled Times, 7:30 p.m., online

Friday, November 10

Saturday, November 11