First Presbyterian Church of Rolla Worship Service for All Saints Sunday

Nov. 6, 2022

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Introit #550: Give Praise to the Lord Psalm 149 vs. 1

Call to Worship

Sing to the Lord a new song!

Let us join all the saints in praising God.

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For the glory of God fills heaven and earth.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

<u>Opening Hymn:</u> O God, Our Help in Ages Past (please stand)

Verse 1: O God our help in ages past our hope for years to come Our shelter from the stormy blast and our eternal home.

Verse 2 and 3: CHOIR Beneath the shadow... Before the hills...

- **Verse 4:** A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone Short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.
- **Verse 5: CHOIR** Time like an ever rolling stream...
- **Verse 6**: O God our help in ages past, our hope for years to come. Be thou our guide while troubles last, and our eternal home.

Call to Confession

The redeeming love of God in Jesus Christ extends from generation to generation, keeping us in life and in death and in life everlasting.

Together, let us seek God's forgiveness

Prayer of Confession

God of the ages, as we remember the saints who have gone before us, we are grateful for their witness and humbled by their example. Though they have marked well the path of faith, following in that way is hard for us. We drift and waver. We resist and rebel. Remind us that the saints before us were not perfect, just forgiven, and saved by grace. We ask for that forgiveness, and we pray for the courage to trust in that grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

The hope to which we are called is the glorious inheritance of all the saints, the immeasurable greatness of God's power for us who believe.

This is good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Passing the Peace of Christ

<u>Gloria #582:</u> Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Anthem: Saints Bound for Heaven Howard Helvey

Time for sharing joys and concerns, and the prayer list.

Prayers of the People and Recognition of Those Who have Died.

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

Worship leader will lead the prayers. Lord in your mercy. Receive our prayer.

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

(please stand)

Doxology #606: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of Dedication:

Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Hymn #451:Open My Eyes, That I May See vs. 1, 2(remain seated)

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone. Let the heavenly food of the scripture we are about to hear nourish us today in the ways of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen

Old Testament Lesson: Daniel 7:1 - 3, 15 - 18

Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 1:11 - 23

Gospel Lesson: Luke 20:27-38

The Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

Sermon If You Believe In Forever... Jonathan Kimball

<u>Communion Hymn #516</u>: For the Bread Which You Have Broken v. 1,2, 3 (seated)

Invitation to the Table and Prayer of Thanksgiving

This is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from north and south, from east and west, to sit at table in the kingdom of God.

According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, blessed it, and broke it and gave it to them.

Their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites those who trust in him to share the feast that he has prepared.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right and our great delight to praise you, O God. We thank you for your steadfast love in spite of our human sin. We join with the heavenly choirs and the faithful of every time and place to sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

We give you thanks that the Lord Jesus, on the night before he died, took bread and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, and give it to his disciples saying: Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way Jesus took the cup saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me. Together we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

According to Christ's commandment:

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen**

Let us pray:

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

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Jesus said: I am the bread of life. Jesus said: I am the vine, you are the branches. Come to me and never be hungry; believe in me and never thirst. The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God. (take the communion)

Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Sending Hymn #326: For All the Saints (please stand)

Benediction

The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, bless you now and forever.

Go in Peace, Live in Love, **Serve the Lord.**

Postlude:

Scriptures are read from the NRSV translation. Music presented by Jeff Sandquist and William Owen. Worship led by Danny Stottlemyre and sermon provided by Jonathan Kimball.

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