



TO BE HIS LIGHT THAT TRANSFORMS LIVES

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PROGRAM	LOCATION	TIME
Coffee Fellowship Time	Fellowship Hall (L.L.)	9:00 a.m.
Worship	Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Infant, Toddler, Preschool & School Age Child Care	South Hallway	9:30 a.m.

CHURCH STAFF

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Church Office Hours


Monday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday Closed
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday Closed
Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Calls will be answered off-site on days when the office is closed.



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November 6, 2022
10:00 a.m.
Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints Day



Thoughts of Preparation

All Saints and All Souls...this is a Christian meaning for reincarnation, which Christians also called "the communion of saints" in the Apostle's Creed...our ancestors are indeed in us and with us (as modern DNA studies can now prove). We were quite foolish to make fun of many Native and Eastern religions, which we dismissed as "mere ancestor worship" who usually had the more corporate notion of personhood, far removed from the myth of modern individualism. All Saints Day is a celebration of all of us precisely in our togetherness, which is why the New Testament (in twenty places!) called all God lovers "the saints." - Fr. Richard Rohr

*All who are able are welcome to stand

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *"God's Time Is Best"* (J.S. Bach)

Tower Bell

Introit Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can feel the brush of angel wings, I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

***Responsive Call to Worship**

Praise the Lord, all you saints! Praise him all you heavenly hosts!

Let us praise the name of the Lord!

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; Isaiah, Jeremiah and all you Patriarchs and Prophets!

Miriam, Ruth and Naomi; Elizabeth, Mary and all you Holy Women!

Matthew, Mark and Luke; James and John and all you fervent Evangelists!

Stephen, Thomas, Peter and Paul; Philip, Bartholomew and all you faithful Apostles!

Praise the Lord! O praise the name of the Lord!

These are the saints whose followed Christ into deeper love, and into the destiny of God's realm. Praise the Lord!

And today, like those of this flock who've gone before us, we are the saints who are the living body of Christ, the Church--called to follow the same Way!

Praise the Lord! O praise the name of the Lord!

***Hymn #84**

“O God Our Help In Ages Past” (St. Anne)

***Prayer of Adoration & Confession**

How many ways You have cared for us, O God; how many companions You have given to share our difficult and joyous journey. And yet we sometimes reject Your care, and forget or ignore Your messengers.

Forgive us for failing to recognize You in those who are different from ourselves.

Forgive us for rejecting other people – children of Yours who are equally loved.

Forgive us for believing the lie that says we can do it our way, and we can do it alone.

[Silence is kept]

Loving, Forgiving God, teach us to love as You have loved us, to embrace and welcome others as You have welcomed us, to enjoy and commit to the family which You have given for our comfort and nurture. In Jesus' Name; amen.

***Gloria Patri**

(Gloria)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Children's Chat

Scripture Lesson – Psalm 98 [Good News Translation]

Sing a new song to the Lord; He has done wonderful things! By His own power and holy strength He has won the victory. The Lord announced His victory; He made His saving power known to the nations. He kept His promise to the people of Israel with loyalty and constant love for them. All people everywhere have seen the victory of our God.

Sing for joy to the Lord, all the earth; praise Him with songs and shouts of joy! Sing praises to the Lord! Play music on the harps! Blow trumpets and horns, and shout for joy to the Lord, our King.

Roar, sea, and every creature in you; sing, earth, and all who live on you! Clap your hands, you rivers; you hills, sing together with joy before the Lord, because He comes to rule the earth. He will rule the peoples of the world with justice and fairness.

Welcoming and Leading Us This Morning

Preaching Today: Barry Bordenkircher

Liturgist: John Robson

Organist: Michael Sullivan

Choral Director: Dobin Park

Sound Technician: Robert Pettus

Greeters: Darlene Knepshield & Bertie Jo Tuerpe

Ushers: Steve Twehues, Ralph Schoulthies & Mike Hanson

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This Week

- Sunday, November 6:** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service/Communion Sunday/All Saints Day
- Monday, November 7:** 7:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon Meeting
- Tuesday, November 8:** 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
- Wednesday, November 9:** 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Senior Lunch Bunch
- Thursday, November 10:** 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry
7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- Saturday, November 12:** 9:00 a.m. AA Meeting
- Sunday, November 13:** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service/Recognition of our Veterans

Hearing Assistance

We have wireless receivers for the hearing impaired which you may obtain from an usher.

Pastoral Care Notice

If a pastoral care need arises, please contact the church office at (859) 431-1818 and we will get a message to Pastor Barry or John Robson to contact you. You can also call, text or email Barry at:
Revbarryb@stjohnsuccnewport.org
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In Our Prayers

Joan Berkemeyer, Cheryl & Barry Bordenkircher, Judy Eads, Flo Grey, Betty Jo Haas, Phil Hamilton, Marilyn Hanson, Robert Hasse, Mark Hater, Chuck Hawkins, Vickie Kennedy, Carol & Henry Marksberry, Bill Seibert, Bruce Shay, Ed Von Strohe, Bonnie Walter, John & Peggy Westlund

Continued Prayerful Support

Homebound members.
Those in assisted living and nursing homes.
Rev. Barry Bordenkircher
Church Leadership Team, Ministry Teams, and all our church leaders.

Homebound Member of the Week

Our homebound member of the week is Donna Hamilton. Take a moment this week to send her a card or give her a call as we celebrate Donna as our member of the week!

Her address is:

Donna Hamilton
7262 Rimrock Lane
Alexandria, KY 41001

Infant, Toddler, Preschool and School Age Child Care is Available on Sunday Mornings

We have childcare workers available for our infants, toddlers, preschoolers and school age children. Children can be dropped off starting at 9:30 a.m. downstairs in the Youth Room. You can ask any usher for assistance or information about this program.

Audio Recordings of Our Sunday Services

Did you miss a Sunday service or would like to hear one over again? You can get a CD audio recording of any service each week down on the table located at the North Lobby entrance. The recordings are separated by date so just look for the service you want to hear and take it home.

COVID Update

Just a reminder that if you become infected with the COVID virus, please let the church office know so that we can notify anyone that you may have been in contact with at that time. Thank you and everyone please stay safe.

Anthem

“In My Father’s House”

(Lani Smith)

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you.
Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.
In my Father’s house are many mansions.
If it were not so I would have told you;
I go to prepare a place for you.

These are the words He spoke in love to you and me.
This is the promise He made, from death to set us free.
He said that He would come again And with Him we would go,
And where He went and the way He went,
We would surely know.

These are the words He spoke to help us find our way.
This is the bond that He gave to hold us through the day.
The thoughts He shares with us this night shall evermore remain, to comfort us,
and to guide us on, and our hope sustain.

Gathering Together in Prayer

Joys & Concerns – Silent Prayer – Pastoral Prayer

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 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 and ever. Amen.

Response

**And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of God’s hand.**

Stewardship Moment

Chuck Hawkins

Offertory Invitation

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. *(2 Corinthians 9:8)*

Offertory

“Pie Jesu”

(Gabriel Faure)

Pie Jesu
Qui tollis peccata mundi
Dona eis requiem
Agnus Dei
Qui tollis peccata mundi
Dona eis requiem

Blessed Jesus, Lord Our God,
Grant to them eternal rest.
O Grant them Lord eternal rest
rest with Thee forever Lord

***Doxology**

(Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

God of truth and light, we come to You from our daily lives that are full of scams and tricks seeking to gain our confidence and steal and betray. In many ways, it makes us wary of opportunities to show compassion. Jesus reminds us to trust You and in Your truth that speaks not through phones or emails but directly to our hearts. As we give this morning, may we do so with joy, not fear. We pray this in the name of Christ, who intercedes for us that we might know truth. Amen. (Luke 20:27-38)

Scripture Lesson – Luke 6:20-31 [New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition]

Then He looked up at His disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

“But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Today’s Message

“Golden Rule...Not Golden Streets”

Barry Bordenkircher

***Hymn #522**

“Shall We Gather At The River”

(Hanson Place)

(vs. 1 & 3)

***Sacrament of Holy Communion**

***The Invitation**

my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.”

Matthew’s gospel does not share details about the conversations that led up to Jesus’ invitation to eat, drink, and remember. Still, those who accept his invitation to enjoy the bread and cup are transformed and become part of every community around the world who eat and drink in remembrance of Jesus.

Jesus gave. We receive. And we share.

At the end of the adobo chicken meal, some commented that they looked forward to sharing an in-person meal in the unknown future. In the same way, Jesus says to us and all who gather to remember him that he ‘will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in the realm of God.’ We look forward to that day.

CONSIDER YOUR PLEDGE AS A PERCENT OF YOUR MONTHLY INCOME.

Annual Income	Monthly Income	2%	3%	4%	5%	10%
20,000	1,667	33	50	67	83	167
25,000	2,083	42	63	83	104	208
30,000	2,500	50	75	100	125	250
35,000	2,917	58	88	117	146	292
40,000	3,333	67	100	133	167	333
45,000	3,750	75	113	150	188	375
50,000	4,167	83	125	167	208	417
60,000	5,000	100	150	200	250	500
75,000	6,250	125	188	250	313	625
100,000	8,333	167	250	333	417	833
125,000	10,417	208	313	417	521	1042
150,000	12,500	250	375	500	625	1250
200,000	16,667	333	500	667	833	1667

On average, Americans give 2% of their income to charity. Giving even 1% more of annual income to charity would be transformative for our congregation and other organizations doing good in our community.





Adobo Chicken

Matthew 26: 26-29

Rev. LaMarco Cable

Co-Executive Global Ministries, President, Division of Overseas Ministries
Disciples of Christ

Included in one of the days of the Global Ministries Virtual Pilgrimage to the Philippines was an opportunity to enjoy a meal of adobo chicken for dinner. Chicken adobo is a traditional Filipino stew-like entrée consisting of chicken, soy sauce, and vinegar with an array of seasonings. Partners in the Philippines invited the primarily North American pilgrimage participants to enter their culture by sharing a meal. They shared traditional receipts for the meal, recommended modifications to accommodate dietary restrictions, and led a cooking demonstration to deepen engagement during the global pandemic impacting every corner of the world. As the meal was being enjoyed in front of cameras, stories were exchanged, food was appreciated, and memories were made. It was sacred. God was present. Host and guest were transformed and knitted into a sacred tapestry though many miles apart.

The sharing of adobo chicken calls to mind the night that Jesus gathered with his friends, community, and some strangers to share the traditional Passover meal. While he had shared the meal many times during his lifetime, Jesus invited those who gathered to create new memories as they ate and drank. On World Communion Sunday, we recall that Jesus "while they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; for this is

*Communion Prayer

Loving God, who takes pleasure in all creation, we give You thanks and sing Your praise. May all we do exalt Your glory; we rejoice one and all!

Blessed are those who love as God loves. May we be the hands and heart and voice of Christ.

Gentle God, extend Your loving care on those who suffer from the various losses of life—fear, pain, sorrow, struggle for well being, who yearn for relief from suffering, who long for hope.

Blessed are those who show Your love--neighbors, strangers, hands and heart and voice of Christ.

Caring God, Your Spirit abides within when we set our hope on Christ.

Blessed are those who live God's love, Saints of yesterday and today, the hands and heart and voice of Christ.

Merciful God, remind us to always, in communion with You: do to others as we would have done to us. Make steadfast our love – the work of Christ. Set our hope, receive our thanks, help us to be humble, and to always sing for joy.

Blessed are those who love as God loves; may we be the hands and heart and voice of Christ, in the great cloud of witnesses! Amen.

Recollections and Consecration

Receiving the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us at Your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Service of Remembrance – Praying For All The Saints

Living God, in whom there is no shadow or change, we thank You for the gifts of Your life and love, and for all those whom, having served You well, now rest from their labors. We thank You for all the saints remembered and forgotten, for those dear souls most precious to us.

Today we give thanks for those who during the last twelve months have died and entered into full glory and union. We bless You for their life and love, and rejoice that for them "all is well, and all manner of things will be well."

God of Jesus and our God, mindful of all those souls who have gone on ahead of us, teach us, and each twenty-first century disciple of every race and place to follow their example to the best of our ability:

- to feed the poor in body or spirit,
- to support and comfort the mourners and the repentant,
- to encourage the meek and stand with them in crises,
- to affirm those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
- to cherish and learn from the merciful,
- to be humbled by, and stand with, the peacemakers.

Let us clearly recognize what it means to be called the children of God, and to know we are to be Your saints neither by our own inclination nor in our own strength but simply by the call and the healing holiness of Christ Jesus our Savior.

Now, O God of all saints, especially remember the saints from among this community who have departed our company over the past year. We thank You for the faithful witness each of them:

Reading of Names

- Bruce Poinsett, Sr. December 6, 2021
- Sally Seibert Walters January 5, 2022
- Ray S. Keeney January 5, 2022
- James Kidney January 19, 2022
- Daniel Webster Grey February 6, 2022
- Stanley Zmurk, Jr. February 8, 2022
- Marilyn Humphrey February 19, 2022
- Donald H. Berkemeyer February 23, 2022
- Richard Walter March 6, 2022
- Donald J. Haas March 18, 2022
- Beverly J. Bill March 19, 2022
- Daniel T. Riddle April 27, 2022
- Ruth F. Hater June 4, 2022
- Orlin W. Krentz June 16, 2022
- Buena Kay Hatch June 19, 2022
- Thomas Arthur Twehues September 15, 2022
- Margaret Deaton September 23, 2022
- Margie June Schaufuss September 26, 2022

Eternal God, as we walk the same pilgrim way, make our faith firm, our hope clear, and our love pure, that we might join the saints of all the ages in praise eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn #529**

“For All the Saints”
(vs. 1, 2, 5 & 6)

(Sine Domine)

***Benediction**

May we who worship the God of the living go from here to embrace each moment as an opportunity to grasp eternity and to be fully alive in the now. Go in the confidence of today and the hope for tomorrow. Go with Christ. Amen.

***Choral Response**

Postlude

“O God Our Help In Ages Past”

(Gordon Young)

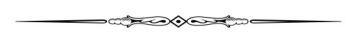


Welcome!

Welcome to this house of prayer and worship!

We pray that your experience of worship will deepen your faith and prepare you for the week ahead. We believe God’s Spirit is present in our listening to the Word and our response of discipleship. In our greeting of one another we sense the presence of Christ. May you know His grace and peace today!

Please sign the guest register when it comes to your seat.



Flowers in church today are in loving memory of my son Rob Hawkins from Chuck Hawkins.



Open flower dates are November 13th, 20th & 27th
To reserve your special date, please call the church office.



Senior Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, November 9th:
11:30am-1:30pm

Bring your own lunch-drinks and desserts provided by the church



Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC’s Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. Neighbors in Need grants are awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. These grants fund projects whose work ranges from direct service to community organizing and advocacy to address systemic injustice. This year, special consideration will be given to projects focusing on serving our immigrant neighbors and communities.