



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THE ORDER FOR WORSHIP

November 2, 2008
9:25 a.m.

All Saints Sunday
Liturgical Color: Red

This morning, on All Saints Sunday, we lift up those who have died in faith. When loved ones die, it often seems unfair, unjust, or even cruel. Where is God in the midst of life's tragedies? The Scripture is clear, God is with those who have faith. God does not leave us comfortless, but offers us a glorious inheritance through Christ, who is seated at God's right hand.

The asterisk (*) designates when the congregation will please stand.
Worshippers who find standing difficult are invited to remain seated.

Worshippers are encouraged to turn off their cell phones while they are in the sanctuary.
Bold print is read or sung by the congregation.

WE GATHER TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to sign and pass the Ritual of Friendship pads.

When it reaches the end of the pew, please pass it back so that all may note those worshipping today.
Cards are available in the pew for those desiring to request prayer or praise for specific needs, concerns and joys. Please place the card in the offering plate during the offering.

THE PRELUDE

"Rejoice in God's Saints"

David Chenwien

WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ!

All: **We have come to experience God's grace in our worship and in our lives!**

*THE CHIMES AND SERVICE OF LIGHT

The congregation stands with the first note of the chimes.

The lighted candles on the altar symbolize the presence of God's Holy Spirit.

The Holy Bible is facing the congregation as a reminder that God's Word is open and available to all.

WE OPEN OUR LIVES TO GOD

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"For All the Saints"

Musical Interlude

Hymn 711

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN OF INVITATION TO A LIFE WITH CHRIST
"Pass It On"

Hymn 572

*THE CHIMES AND SERVICE OF LIGHT

The Living Flame on the altar reminds us that we must carry the message of God's grace and love out from this sanctuary into the world.

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CHORAL RESPONSE

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

Altar Choir
Peter Lutkin

THE POSTLUDE

"Prelude and Fugue in a minor"

J. S. Bach

Grace United Methodist Church

The Congregation of Grace United Methodist Church

Ministers
Stephen A. Beutler Chris Roberts Larry Newberg

Pastors
Rev. Jeff Newton, Kokomo Urban Outreach Ministries
Dr. Dennis Marke, Medical Missionary, Kissy, Sierra Leone
Rev. Ken Vance, Missionary, Ndola, Town Center, Kafakumba Pastor's School, Africa

Our Missionaries
Randy Manning, Director of Music Barbara Hobbs, Pianist/Organist
Jacque Hunt, Chamber Ensemble Director Cindy Lovegrove, Office Manager
Debra Long, Volunteer Parish Nurse Phill Montgomery, Counselor
Carisa Durham, Childcare Provider Brandy Dodd, Childcare Provider
Tina Browning, Childcare Provider T J Knowland, Youth Director
Chuck Hefley, Church Administrator

Our Greeters today are Ned & Eileen Reyburn and Tim & Susan Garner.
The Acolyte is Deanna Hedges.

The Altar Flowers were given to the glory of God by Harlo & Dixie Westlin in memory of their Parents.

THE CALL TO PRAYER FOR CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

Leader: Let us remember those gone before, who have finished their course.

All: **We praise Your holy name, O God, for those who rest from their labor.**

Leader: They were embattled;.

All: **They are at peace.**

Leader: They were fatigued;

All: **They are at rest.**

Leader: They were distressed;.

All: **They are at ease.**

Leader: They were with us;

All: **Now they are one with You.**

Leader: In life they fought their own mortality;

All: **In death, they shine, their spirits live.**

Leader: Yes, let us remember those gone before, whose souls are in the hands of God.

All: **Holy God, we thank you for their conviction and faithfulness. Give us grace to follow their example. Hear us now as we pray each in our own words and our own way.**

Moments of Silent Prayer

Those desiring to come to the altar for a time of intercessory prayer are welcome to come and kneel or stand.

All are invited to spend these moments in silent prayer seated at your pew.

The 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. Amen.

We lovingly remember before God the following Grace United Methodist Church persons who have become members of the Church Eternal from November 4, 2007 through November 1, 2008:

Eva Alfador	Daniel Conley	Mary Jane Deakin
Betty Dunbar	Birdie Gatman	Sidney Gouglhtly
Helen Hart	June Hill	Robert Hotchkiss
Glen Hufford	Florence Kearney	Jayne McLure
Dorval Miller	Harry Moss	Crystal Paudice
Bob Saunders	Bea Weedman	Sarah Wiley

A bell is tolled and a candle is lit for all those remembered above.

We lovingly remember before God all others, though not members of Grace United Methodist Church, who are members of the body of Christ and have gone on to be with our Lord in the Church Eternal during the past year.

A bell is tolled three times for those others who have touched our lives, and one candle is lit for all those who have influenced our faith journey.

DEDICATION OF GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORIAL

THE ANTHEM

"Standin' In the Need of Prayer"

Altar Choir
arr. by Kathryn Schulz

CHEERFUL GIVER MOMENT

Bill Bassett

WE HEAR THE LIVING WORD

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Hebrews 6:10-12

THE PROCLAMATION

Pastor Chris Roberts

LEARNING TO "PAINT THE FENCE"

WE DEDICATE OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERING GOD OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

If you are visiting this morning, you are our guest. If Grace U.M. Church is your home, remember that the biblical expectation is that you will give your tithe to your church. May we all remember that giving to God in response to His great love is the most celebrative moment of corporate worship. Today's loose coin offering is dedicated to CAM.

The Giving of our Tithes and Offering

The Offertory

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

*The Chorus and Prayer of Dedication

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Jay Rouse

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The congregation is invited to approach the altar to receive the elements through the center aisle. The ushers will direct you as to when you may come. All who desire to participate are invited to come, kneel or stand at the altar, and receive the elements of Holy Communion by intinction (you may receive a piece of the broken bread and dip it into the cup). You may remain in an attitude of prayer and meditation at the altar as long as you desire. Please return to your pew by the side aisles. Should you desire, the communion elements will be made available for you to partake in your pew.

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