Order of Worship

Sunday, November 1, 2026

"There is something feral about grief, something essentially outside the ordained and sanctioned behaviors of our culture."

—Francis Weller

The Wild Edge of Sorrow:
Rituals of Renewal and the Sacred Work of Grief

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Worship Notes: Worshipers are asked to join in the sections marked in **bold**. The *asterisk invites all who are able to stand. And, as always, please silence your cell phones.

Prelude — **Theme from Schindler's List**
Elizabeth Hedman, violin — John Williams (b. 1932)
Dan Redfeld, piano

Gathering Around the Word

Concerns of the Church
Rev. Dr. Mike Morgan

Pulpit Pitch
Emilie Nordhues

Introit — **Come, Everyone**
WPC Chancel Choir — Laurel Sanders (b. 1984)

*Call to Worship
Marin Miller, Director of Children & Family Ministries

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.
One generation shall laud God's works to another.
They shall celebrate the fame of God 's abundant goodness,
and sing aloud of God 's righteousness.
The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all,
and God 's compassion is over all He has made.

***Hymn 93** — **Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates**
Verses 1 & 3 — [TRURO]

*Confessions of the Body of Christ
Gracious God, you have stood fast with every generation, guiding our forebears through each season of distress and challenge. Have mercy on us, we pray: when we give up hope; when we fail to trust your presence; when we ignore your calling for our lives; when we give in to selfishness; when we succumb to futility. Forgive us, and strengthen us for our path ahead, until we arrive at our eternal joy and rest.

*Silent Individual Confession

*Declaration of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

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 & Youth are dismissed to Sunday School.

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Let us extend God's peace to one another with these ancient words:

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Proclaiming the Word

First Lesson — **Psalm 34:1–10, 22; O.T., page 480**
Becky Crane-Okada

Anthem — **No Night There**
Dan Forrest (b. 1978)

Second Lesson — **John 11:32–44; N.T., page 98**

Meditation — **Look What Love Has Given Us**

Responding to the Word

Anthem — **O Salutaris Hostia**
Devon Davidson & Veronica Robinson, sopranos
Ēriks Ešenvalds (b. 1977)
Text: St. Thomas Aquinas
"O saving Victim, opening wide the gate of heaven to all below."

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Jake Putich, Director of Faith Formation & Creation Care

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Receiving the Elements

Prayer of Response

*Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Bearing the Word Into the World

Commemoration of Those Who Have Died

Michael Sohigian, bell ringer

Almighty God, we give you thanks this day for all the saints, as we cherish the memory of those whose lives blessed ours: who enlightened our minds with their wisdom; who comforted our hearts with their love; who strengthened our will by their courage; who lifted our spirits with their gift of hope. As we honor them in their death, may we honor them with our very lives, until we are united with them in your everlasting light.

We give you thanks, O God for all who have fought the good fight, finished their race, and kept the faith, and for those dear to us who are at rest with you.

Ruth Burt Ekstrom, *cousin of Jann C. Williams*

Teri Campbell, **Pate Can, Harold Freeman, Patrick Loo, Joanne Rowley,** *friends of Becky Crane-Okada*

Ron Cheyney, *brother of Rev. Dr. Lynn Cheyney*

Charles Cioffi, *husband of Anne Cioffi*

Shane Cummings, *cousin of Becky Crane-Okada*

Chris Davis, *husband of Katherine Davis and father of Trevor and Randolph Davis*

Dr. Kenneth Dodgson, *father of Kim Labinger*

Elder Earl Ellis, *husband of Carole Ellis and father of Kate Ellis*

Harold H. Helm II, *father of Peter Helm*

Nancy Immel, *mother of Chris Immel*

David B. Kuhn Jr., *father of Rose Helm*
John Lewis, *husband of Marie Lewis*
Stephen Munzer, *husband of Cindy Trangsrud*
Bryant Myers, *husband of Lisa Myers*
Napoleon, *beloved dog of David Hartle & Carole Grogan*
Lisa Neelin-Kimewon, *sister of David Neelin*
Sandy Prater, *father of Brooke Larson*
Wilhelmina Rish Price, *mother of Leland Price*
Rita Ries, *mother of Mary Ries*
Jim Spitser, *husband of Linda Spitser*
Charles West
Robbie Yates, *son of Bob Yates*

Let us now, in silence, remember others we have known and cherished who were received into your loving presence in this past year.

(Moment of silence)

Eternal God, unite us with all the saints in every time and place who have lived by your Word and died in your love. Comfort us with the promise of everlasting life, and encourage us with their eternal company. With the church on earth and the saints in heaven, we praise your holy name. Amen.

***Hymn 326**	**For All the Saints** [SINE NOMINE]
***Benediction**	
Response	**Amen** Paul Mealor (b. 1975)
Postlude	**Remembrances** John Williams (b. 1932)

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