



**Saint Paul's United Methodist Church**  
"A Compassionate Community Led and Transformed by the Spirit."  
**Sunday, November 2nd, 2025 - 10:30 AM Service**  
**All Saints Sunday**



*We welcome you, trusting that this time of worship will open our hearts to experience the Spirit's movement among us. Together, we seek peace, health, and wholeness as we gather in God's presence.*

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*\*Indicates a standing portion of the service. Please stand as you are able.*

**Gathering as The Beloved Community**

**Gathering Music**

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"  
by Charles Converse/Joseph Scriven

*Molly MacMillan, piano*  
*Frank Campos, trumpet*  
*Brian Earle, clarinet*  
*Dave Davies, trombone*  
*Jon Aldave, Sousaphone*

**Greetings and Welcome**

*Pastor Alicia Wood*

**\*Sharing Love and Peace with All**

**Centering Music**

"The Old Rugged Cross"  
by George Bennard

*Molly MacMillan, piano*  
*Frank Campos, trumpet*  
*Brian Earle, clarinet*  
*Dave Davies, trombone*  
*Jon Aldave, Sousaphone*

**\*Call to Worship**

Pastor: Now this is the commandment that the Lord your God charged me to teach you... Hear therefore, O People of God, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

**People: You, O God, have been our help in ages past.**

Pastor: Hear, O People of God: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

**People: Be, O God, our hope for years to come.**

Pastor: Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

**People: Be thou our guide while life shall last...**

Pastor: Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

**People: Be our eternal home!**

**Amen.**

**\*Singing Together**

"For All the Saints"

UMH #711

**A Message for All God's Children**

*Pastor Alicia Wood*

**Special Music**

"I'll Fly Away"

*Chancel Choir  
Molly MacMillan, piano  
Dorothy Preston, piano***Encountering God Through the Word****Scripture Reading****Ephesians 1: 11-14***Martha Washington*

We have also received an inheritance in Christ. We were destined by the plan of God, who accomplishes everything according to his design. We are called to be an honor to God's glory because we were the first to hope in Christ. You too heard the word of truth in Christ, which is the good news of your salvation. You were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit because you believed in Christ. The Holy Spirit is the down payment on our inheritance, which is applied toward our redemption as God's own people, resulting in the honor of God's glory.

Hear What the Spirit is Saying to the Church!  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Message**

"Love Persevering"

*Pastor Alicia Wood***Responding with Joy and Generosity****\*Hymn of Response**

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"  
(trad)

TFWS #2158  
*Molly MacMillan, piano  
Frank Campos, trumpet  
Brian Earle, clarinet  
Dave Davies, trombone  
Jon Aldave, Sousaphone*

**Offering Our Gifts to God****Offertory**

"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"  
(spiritual)

*Molly MacMillan, piano***\*Prayer of Dedication** (in unison)**O God of hosts, we marvel at your faithfulness.****You keep your promise to remain with us by your Holy Spirit.****Help us to trust you in every difficulty.****Empower us to share the good news of your abiding presence with our neighbors and friends.****Accept our offerings, building up this community of faith so that we may serve others with the love of Jesus.****We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.****Holy Communion**

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## Going Forth to Serve and Bless

### Announcements

#### \*Closing Hymn

“When The Saints Go Marching In”  
(trad.)

See Insert  
*Molly MacMillan, piano*  
*Frank Campos, trumpet*  
*Brian Earle, clarinet*  
*Dave Davies, trombone*  
*Jon Aldave, Sousaphone*

#### \*Dismissal with Blessing

#### Postlude

“Down by the Riverside”  
(trad.)

*Molly MacMillan, piano*  
*Frank Campos, trumpet*  
*Brian Earle, clarinet*  
*Dave Davies, trombone*  
*Jon Aldave, Sousaphone*

### -----PRAYERS-----

For **Prayer Chain Requests**, confidential concerns seen only by those who participate in the Prayer Chain, please contact Jami Breedlove-Crouch at: [lovingcare@stpaulsithaca.org](mailto:lovingcare@stpaulsithaca.org).

**Prayer Requests:** Linda Yetter; William Deming (nephew of Melissa Gould); Ruth Lovelace; Andrea Downing Zheng and family; Larry Roberts; Mary and Matthew Boardman. Pray for healing within the United Methodist Church as we live into the new reality of being a fully inclusive denomination.

Prayer requests will be published in the bulletin for four weeks. If you would like someone to remain on the list, contact Jami Breedlove-Crouch at [lovingcare@stpaulsithaca.org](mailto:lovingcare@stpaulsithaca.org) or 607-269- 5509. Please remember that we also need permission from the person listed.

## ***St. Paul's Ministries ~ Week of November 2nd, 2025***

### **Sunday, November 2nd – New Orleans Style All**

#### **Saints Sunday**

#### **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS**

10:30am – Worship with Communion - Sanctuary

11:30am – Coffee/Fellowship Time – Memorial Room

11:45am – Young Adults Group – Durham Room

### **Monday, November 3rd**

6:30pm – Justice Seekers Reading Group – Memorial Room/ZOOM

### **Tuesday, November 4th**

10:00am – Staff Meeting - ZOOM

### **Wednesday, November 5th**

6:00pm – Pastor's Bible Study – ZOOM

7:00pm – Staff Parish Relations Committee - ZOOM

### **Thursday, November 6th**

10:00am – Crafter's Group – Durham Room

6:00pm – Festival Chimes Rehearsal – Sanctuary

7:15pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Dining Room

### **Friday, November 7th**

Church Offices Closed

### **Saturday, November 8th**

#### **Sunday, November 9th**

10:30am – Worship – Sanctuary

10:45am – Faith Explorers – Rm. 115, Main Floor

11:30am – Coffee/Fellowship Time – Memorial Room

**Children and Worship** – Children are always welcome in worship! To help keep small hands busy, we have books and toys on the black cart near the main sanctuary door. **Children aged 4 to 11 are invited to participate in “Faith Explorers” following the “Message for Children” segment during worship (except on Communion Sundays).**

### ***Young Adult Group Meets Today***

Today after services will be the first meeting of our young adult group, “Connections.” If you’re between the ages of sixteen and twenty nine, please feel free to stop by the Durham Room to check it out. Lunch will be served and fun, interesting conversation is a given.

### ***Seeking Contributions for Winter 2025 Newsletter***

It’s time for the last St Paul’s newsletter of the year! Photos, articles, essays, announcements, schedules for upcoming events—we’d love all of it. If you’ve got an item you wish to contribute as we say goodbye to 2025, get in touch with Dee ([office@stpaulsithaca.org](mailto:office@stpaulsithaca.org)). **Contributions due Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.**

### ***Are You Curious?***

Pastor Alicia will be hosting an information session on **November 15<sup>th</sup> at 10am** to answer your questions or concerns about traveling with her to Egypt (possibly Petra) Fall of 2026. Pastor BJ Norrix and Pastor Alicia will host this information gathering in person in Syracuse and via zoom. Please RSVP Pastor Alicia at [pastor@stpaulsumcithaca.org](mailto:pastor@stpaulsumcithaca.org) to let her know if you will attend. If you are curious but are unable to attend, please reach out to Pastor Alicia and she will make time to talk with you.

### ***Inviting All Hospitality Ministers***

Pastor Alicia and Jami will be meeting with all hospitality ministers on **Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 12pm** to share the information learned while attending the Leadership Institute. If you’d like to be a part of our Hospitality Ministry, please connect with Jami ([lovingcare@stpaulsithaca.org](mailto:lovingcare@stpaulsithaca.org)) and/or attend this gathering.

### ***Non-Liquid Items Needed for Blue Cabinet Donations***

It’s the time of the year where we transition our donations to non-liquid items. Instant oatmeal, pop tarts, and non-perishable foods of that ilk are appreciated. We’re also still collecting household goods and/or personal hygiene items for Catholic Charities. Simply leave in the appropriately marked box on the table across from the church office.

#### **Our Staff**

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**Sue Orzel** / Custodian

**St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, A Reconciling Congregation**

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**Church Office Hours are 9:00 AM-12:00 PM Sunday – Thursday**

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## For All the Saints

*Unison*

1. For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who  
 2. Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might; thou,  
 3. O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,  
 \*4. O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!  
 5. And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,  
 6. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through

thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;  
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and  
 We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet  
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and  
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,

name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
 win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.  
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
 hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.  
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:

*Refrain*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

*Harmony*

\*4. O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!

We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine;

yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.

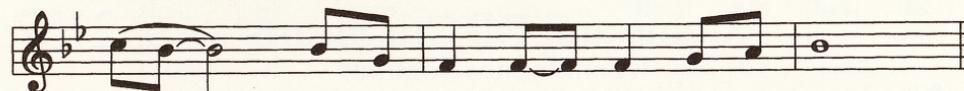
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!



1. I am weak, but thou art strong;  
 2. Through this world of toil and snares,  
 3. When my fee - ble life is o'er,



Je - sus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be sat - is - fied as  
 if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my bur - den  
 time for me will be no more; guide me gent - ly, safe - ly



long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.  
 shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.  
 o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore.

*Refrain*



Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea,



dai - ly walk - ing close to thee: Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

## **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

*During this time, we will name and remember those who have gone to their eternal home during this past year. A candle is lit to signify a uniting with Christ in eternal life. A bell will toll as each name is read declaring our faith that in Christ, each soul has entered into God's heavenly realm. Family, friends, and those influenced by each person named may stand in gratitude as the name is read. After you receive Holy Communion, you may light a candle in remembrance of your loved one.*

**Robert. G Scott, Helen Allen, Sue Kiner, Patricia M. Doherty, Richard Wesley Tenney, Doris E. Stein, Janet Sciscioli, Martha Louise McGraw, Floyd Walter Cole.**

**And those whom we name in our hearts.**

**Pastor:** When we gather at the table, we enter the realm of God's time in our remembering; where past, present and future are one.

**All: We remember the past and are hosted by all those saints who came before us.**

**Pastor:** We remember the present through Christ's call to spread the banquet of love to all.

**All: We remember the future in the promise of Jesus to be with us always.**

**Pastor:** And so it is that this morning, we remember with love those whose love of God lifted us. We give thanks for their hospitality, the tables they set for us and the gifts they gave to us, and we set this heavenly banquet at which we give glory to God with them today. It is through their witness that we have tasted and we have seen the goodness of God.

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Pastor:** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, creator of heaven and earth,

**Pastor:** God of Abraham and Sarah,

**All: God of Miriam and Moses,**

**Pastor:** God of Joshua and Deborah,

**All: God of Ruth and David,**

**Pastor:** God of the priests and the prophets,

**All: God of Mary and Joseph,**

**Pastor:** God of the apostles and the martyrs,

**All: God of our parents and caregivers,**

**Pastor:** God of our children to all generations.

**Pastor:** And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: 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!**

**Pastor:** Holy are you and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died;**

**Christ is risen;**

**Christ will come again.**

**Pastor:** Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and juice. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. Renew our communion with all your saints: for saints no longer with us, especially those we have honored here; for all saints now living among us, who gift us with their presence in our lives; and for saints who will come after us, continuing Your Good News into the future.

**All: By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.**

**Pastor:** Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

2257-b

(Sanctus)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of



power and might. \_\_\_\_\_ Heav - en and earth are

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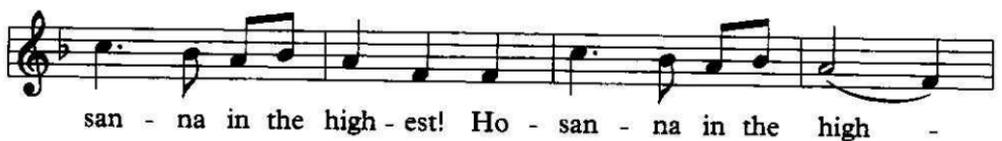
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ry. \_\_\_\_\_ Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -



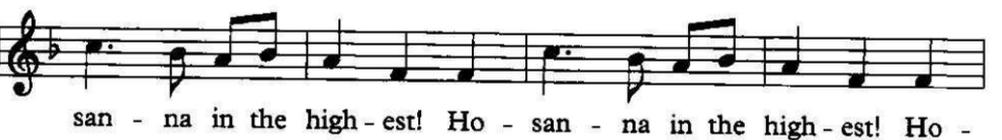
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est! \_\_\_\_\_ Blest is the one who comes \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ in the name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ Ho -



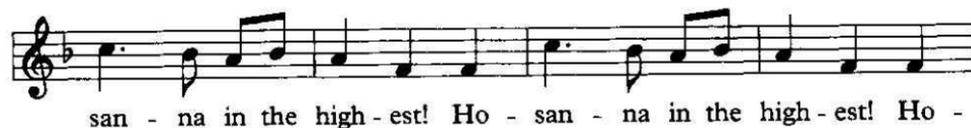
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san - na in the high - est! \_\_\_\_\_

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## (Memorial Acclamation)



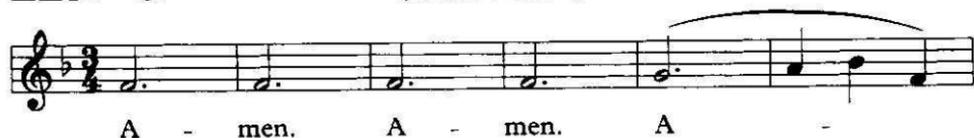
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## 2257-d

## (Great Amen)



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# O When The Saints

B $\flat$

O, when the Saints go mar - chin'

3

in, O, when the Saints go

6

C $^7$  F $^7$

mar - chin' in, O, Lord I

9

B $\flat$  B $\flat$  $^7$  E $\flat$

want to be in that num - ber,

12

E $\flat$ m B $\flat$  F $^7$  B $\flat$



— when the Saints go mar - chin' in.



November 2nd, 2025  
We Remember...

*Robert G. Scott*

*Helen Allen*

*Sue Kiner*

*Patricia M. Doherty*

*Richard Wesley Tenney*

*Doris E. Stein*

*Janet Sciscioli*

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