



Wycliffe

November 1, 2026 - ALL SAINTS DAY

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"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes. Neither sorrow nor travail shall enter the city & no tear shall dim the eye.

(Revelation 21:4)

"NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD" (arr. K. McChesney)... *'O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, and free us from all ills in this world and the next'*

LET US WORSHIP

IN GRIEF, WE HEAR *(all read the bold)*

*When grief is raw and music goes unheard, and thought is numb,
we have no polished phrases to recite, but in Christ,
we hear the old familiar words ~*

"I am the resurrection. I am life."

*God gives us time for gratitude and tears,
and makes us free to grieve, to remember, to honor, and delight
for love is strong enough to bear regrets and banish fear, so we hear ~*

"I am the resurrection. I am life."

*All shall be judged, the greatest and the least,
and all shall be loved till every hurt healed, and all wrong set right.
The cross remains to ground the promise it bears,
and even in the midst of death, we hear:*

"I am the resurrection. I am life."

***HYMN 326 "FOR ALL THE SAINTS"** *(stand in body or spirit & sing v.1, 2 & 3)*

*~ Share the Peace of Christ with Those Around You ~
Children's Time with the Pastor*

Here these words from the Revelation of John (7:9-11, 14-17 NRSV)



There was a great multitude from every nation, all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They cried out, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" Angels stood around the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces and worshiped God.

"Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" and an elder said, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Now before the throne of God, they worship him day and night. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

HYMN 375 "SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER" (remain seated & sing v. 2)

STAND BESIDE US (all read the bold)

Makers of the covenant, forebears of our race;

Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Rachel and Leah:

Stand beside us!

John the baptizer, map-maker of the Lord's coming; Peter of the keys, denier of the Lord;

Mary Magdalene, anointer of the Lord's feet; Luke the physician, Thomas the doubter:

Stand beside us!

Paul the apostle, transfixed by noon light; Julian of Norwich, called to see the Master's face;

John Wycliffe, who brought Scripture to all; John Calvin, architect of the divine:

Stand beside us!

Leonardo da Vinci, John Milton, David the Psalmist; Johann Sebastian Bach; Duke Ellington, sketchers of Paradise in word and song; and all who sang the Creator's praise:

Stand beside us!

Perpetua and Felicity, torn by beasts in the Carthage arena; Thomas Cranmer & Julian of Norwich, both burned at the stake; millions put to death at Auschwitz alone; Medgar Evers,

Viola Liuzzo, Martin Luther King, shot; & all who've been killed while expressing their faith:

Stand beside us!

"All Shall Be Amen and Alleluia" T. Keesecker

All shall be amen and alleluia! We shall rest and we shall see.

*We shall know and we shall love. We shall love and we shall praise;
behold our end which is no end . . .*





NAMING OF THE HONORED DEAD

“And God Shall Wipe Away All Tears”

Hannah Bage, *soprano* Eleanor Daley, *composer*

Matthew 5:1-12

The Word of God is Opened to Us

Rev. Dr. Garrett Bugg

HYMN 250 “IN THE BULB, THERE IS A FLOWER (*remain seated*)

The Prayers of the People

followed by **The Lord’s Prayer** (*screen*)

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Heaven is here, and earth, and the space is thin between, and the Church above and below is one. Distance may divide, but Christ’s promise unites those bound by time, and blessed by eternity. So come, all you who hunger and thirst for a deeper faith, a better life, a fairer world. Jesus Christ invites us to be his guest.

*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 God our thanks and praise.***

*It is right to praise you, for you are the One from whom we came
and the One to whom we will return.*

You conceived the universe and hold all life in your hand.

*You watch us waking or sleeping, you keep every tear we shed,
and hear every prayer we make, and you will not let us go.*

*So with all that moves in time with its Maker,
we join with angels and archangels, saints and loved ones to sing,*

**Holy, holy, holy, all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

*Blessed is he who was born among us without privilege or status,
who told the deepest truths in ordinary language, touched and healed,
showed inclusive love; and who, for all this, was crucified,
died and was buried, and for all of us, rose again, and is present with us here.*

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art! How great thou art!
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THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED

Come forward at the direction of the usher to receive the elements; gluten-free bread is available. Discard the cup in the receptacles on either side of the outer walls as you return to your seat. If you prefer to receive the elements in your pew, let the usher know.



*Holy ones of every time and place;
climbers of the ladder of Paradise;
runners of the celestial race;
faithful shepherds of the Master's flock;
oh great cloud of witnesses:*

Stand here beside us!

*Jesus our liberator and redeemer of all,
the Alpha and the Omega,
beginning and end:*

Stand beside us now and forever!



***HYMN 522** "I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE" (*stand in body or spirit & sing v.1*)

***THE BENEDICTION**

*Today's sanctuary flowers are given by Josie & Raz Collier
in memory of their parents*

Looking Ahead

Nov 3 (Tues, 12:15pm): Pastors' Lunch

Nov 7 (Sat, 9:00am-1:00pm): Kids' Club and The Middle / Register please! (website)

Nov 8 (Sun, after worship): Fellowship Luncheon

Nov 8 (Sun, 4:00pm): Galatea String Quartet (free; donations accepted)

Nov 15 (Sun, 1-3:00pm): Youth Pickleball @Palace of Pickleball

Nov 16 (Mon, by 3:00pm): Foods & funds for Thanksgiving meals due

Nov 17 (Tues, 12n) Ladies' Lunch

Dec 7 (Mon): Foods & funds for Christmas meals due

Church Office Volunteers ~ During this time of transition between church administrators, if you have a couple hours to spare, do sign up to share your cheerful smile! Duties include answering the phone, checking email, and greeting all who stop by the office. A sign-up sheet is on the desk countertop in the main entrance. **Questions?** See either of the pastors.

*Giving is a natural overflow of a heart that is grateful for Jesus, who gave everything for us.
A basket is available on the table as you leave the sanctuary for contributions of checks
or cash. A secure link for electronic giving is available on the church's website at
www.wycliffepresbyterian.org*