

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 01, 2026**



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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the following people:

Dave Haldeman, Melanie Brubaker, Barry Kreider, Ashley Leed, Ethel Sensenig, Jane Pittman, Kelsey Reed Butler, Gil Hulshizer, Theda Raffauf, Bob Getz, Lori Oberholtzer, Deb Emberger, Tom Parrish Sr., Kelly Parrish, Jay Weaver, Jay Stoltzfus, Ruth Hollinger, Barb Moyer, Fay Weitzel, Shannon Brown, Shirley Sweigart, Molly Brown, Carl Mohler Jr., Elaine Haldeman, Clair Miller, Mary Weidman, and Marty Leed & Family.

Clifton Center in Philadelphia: Mike Sawyer Faithful Living, Denver: Vivian Gehr
Ephrata Manor: Iris Weaver, Dorothy Hutchinson, Shirl Tobias and Pauline Sawyer
Gardens at Stevens: Nevin McQuate Keystone Villa: Betty Firestone & Janet Hirneisen
Lancaster General Hospital: Shirley Wagner Luther Acres Health Care: Judy Meckley
Neffsville Rehab & Nursing: Pauline Martin Phoebe Berks: Nick Rampolla

Please pray for those in the Armed Forces: Chris Weidman

Please pray for friends and family at home:

Mary Morton, Pastor Dave Miller, Mary Thorn, Sheri Kiefer, Sam McClearen, Tina Strepko, Scott Coleman, Dave & Wendy Bentz, Nancy Good, Kevin Gavin, Brenda Reed, Doris McNally, Amanda Stuck, Tyler Herr, Brandi Erhart, Emily Martin, Deb Correa, Jason Mertz, Robert Evans, Martha Miller, Brooke Stewart, Mary Lou Crum, Jimmy Vincent, Mary Stewart, Lorna Buohl, William Sockriter, Doug Cody, Mary Morton, Brenda Sweigart, Nancy Bolotine, Karen Leonhard, Mary Sanger, Brian Kerns, Bob Bos, Curtis Townsley, Robyn Redcay and Margaret Weller.

Pray also for the grieving families of:

Eugene Hackamn, Pat McQuate, Leroy Landis, Marion Dissinger, Helen Blank, Mike Leed, Nicole Bibbus, Rob French, Donna Kennedy, Robert Hackman, Marion Briere, Carl Usner, Peggy French, Marion Gideon, Bishop Guy Edmiston, Pastor Marty Sheaffer, George Wolf, Sally Wealand, Bob Farr, Cheryl Nixon, Bea Hassler, Mary Moore, Orvilla Oberholtzer, Lowell Haws, Mary Jane Goshert, Ed Sieber, Darrell Buchter, Joyce Pannebecker, Barb Mertz, Beverly Sweigart, Maggie Kiralfy, Dale Firestone and Larry Rabold

† WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP †

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome / Announcements

Preludes: “*A Time for All Things*”
“*A Mighty Fortress*”

- Scottish Melody
- Arranged by Dan Miller
Piano & Organ Duet

Jay Hertzog Pianist & Vickie Kissinger Organ

†GATHERING†

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

Congregation: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

***GATHERING HYMN: #422 “*For All the Saints*”**

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(a brief silence is observed)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

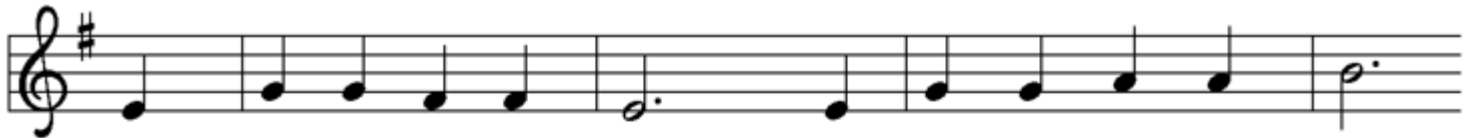
C: Amen

***GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***THE KYRIE**



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

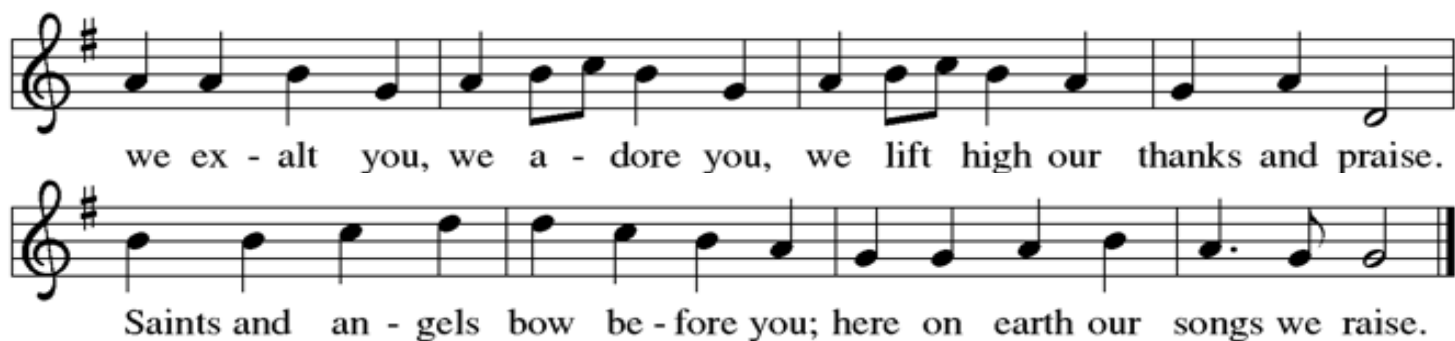
***THE HYMN OF PRAISE**



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:



*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

† GOD’S WORD †

FIRST READING

REVELATION 7:9-17

Lay Reader (Linda Netzley): A reading from Revelation the 7th chapter. *The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today’s reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: “Who is able to stand?” The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God’s protection and a vision of victory.*

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “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.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,

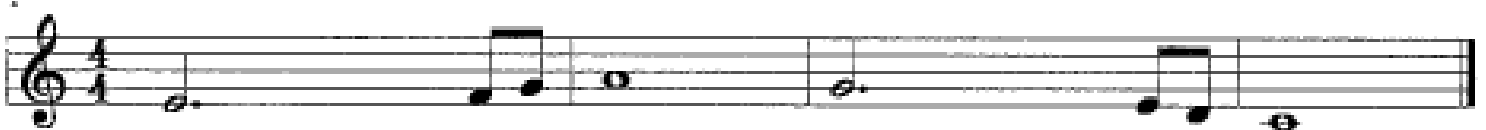
¹⁷ for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALMODY

PSALM 34:1-10, 22



Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord; for those who fear the Lord lack nothing. (Ps. 34:9)

¹ I will bless the Lord | at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

² **I will glory | in the Lord;**
let the lowly hear | and rejoice. R

- ³ Proclaim with me the greatness | of the Lord;
let us exalt God's | name together.
- ⁴ **I sought the Lord, who | answered me
and delivered me from | all my terrors.**
- ⁵ Look upon the Lord | and be radiant,
and let not your faces | be ashamed.
- ⁶ **I called in my affliction, and | the Lord heard me
and saved me from | all my troubles. R**
- ⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps around those who | fear the Lord
and de- | livers them.
- ⁸ **Taste and see that the | Lord is good;
happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!**
- ⁹ Fear the Lord, you saints | of the Lord,
for those who fear the | Lord lack nothing.
- ¹⁰ **The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing | that is good.**
- ²² O Lord, you redeem the life | of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished. **R**

CHILDRENS SERMON

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** "Awesome God" sing x2
Our God is an awesome God, he reigns from
Heaven above with wisdom, power, and love
Our God is an awesome God! Our God!
Our God is an awesome God! Our God is an awesome God!

*THE HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 5th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he began to speak and taught

them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE: *“Election Day”*

-Pastor Tim Craven

CHOIR ANTHEM: *“There is A Season”*

-Sonja and Berta Poorman

***THE APOSTLE’S CREED**

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

† Prayers of Intercession †

*P: United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

P: Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways (*local places may be named*). Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness (*especially*). God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors. Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Today on All Saints Sunday we remember the members of Mellingers who in the past year have left this life and joined the Church Triumphant. We know that because of the promise and presence of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ that one day we will be reunited with all who have gone before us. Today especially we remember Larry Rabold, Beverly Sweigart, Joyce Pannebecker, Mary Jane Goshert, Sally Wealand, Carl Usner, Robert Hackman, Mike Leed, Pat McQuate and Eugene Hackman. We remember also family and friends who has passed from this life during the past year. Almighty God we thank you for their witness and the witness of all the Saints to your presence in this world and await the day when we shall all be together again. Lord, in your mercy,
C: receive our prayer.

P: Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
C: Amen

***THE PEACE**

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you.

***OFFERING HYMN “Here I Am Lord”**

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

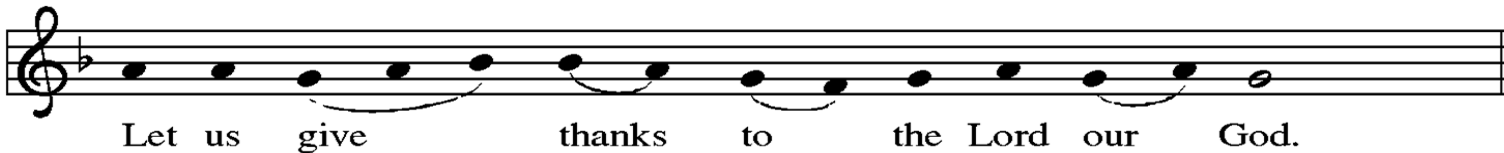
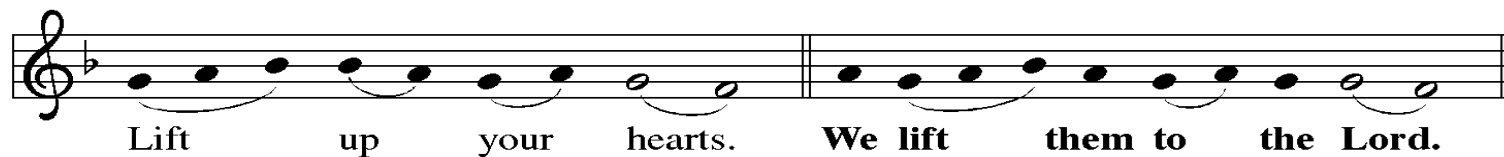
P: Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us- our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

† WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER †

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

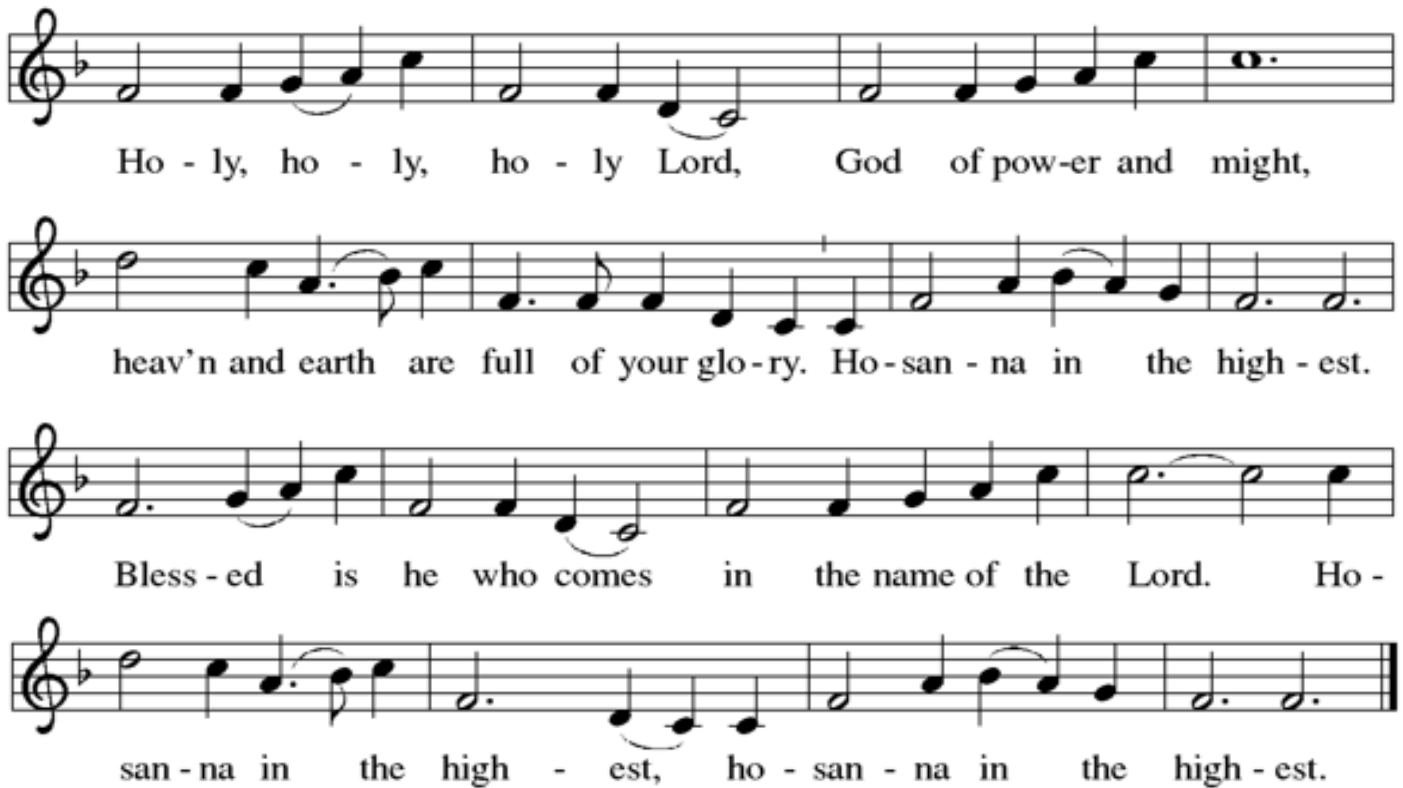


***THE PREFACE:**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....

We praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

***THE SANCTUS**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper he took the cup and gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

***TRADITIONAL 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

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE AGNUS DEI



**All Baptized Christians are welcome for Communion.
(If you would like baptized, see Pastor Tim.)**

We ask parents to bring their non-communing children with them for a blessing. To receive the sacrament wine, take an empty cup from the tray. A grape juice option and gluten free communion wafers provided. If you cannot come to the Chancel, Communion will be taken to you.

Please notify an Usher.

Those in the parking lot partake of Communion at this time.

During Communion

Hymn #807: *"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

Hymn #481: *"Come to the Table"* Sing x2

Hymn #491: *"Come Let Us Eat"*

Hymn #616: *"Jesus, Remember Me"*

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

***Post Communion Canticle: Hymn #210:** *"Blessed Be God"*

Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation,
The spirit of mercy.

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

† WE LEAVE TO SERVE †

*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen Amen Amen (sung responsively)

*SENDING HYMN: “Hymn of Promise”

See insert sheet



DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord with joy.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: “*Fanfare Postlude*”

- Douglas Wagner

Participants in the Service:

- Pastor: Timothy Craven
- Church Secretary: Ashley Weinhold
- Organist: Vickie Kissinger
- Lay Reader: Linda Netzley
- Communion Assistant: Tess Freeman
- Psalmist: Choir
- Videographer: The Boys
- Soundboard: Troy Adair
- Ushers: Linda Weaver, Jill Showalter & Alternate Dave Weidman



The Altar Flowers and Bulletins are dedicated to the Glory of God by Sam & Anita Soto in Memory of Vincent Brubaker.

Weekly Receipts Report as of 10/28/26	
Attendance (Inside / Parking Lot)	61
Online Attendance	158
General Receipts	\$8,460.00



**Please Remember Our Shut-Ins
with a card**
(Thinking Of You, Thanksgiving,
Christmas, etc.)

There is a table in the Narthex with bags for our Shut-Ins and you can deposit your cards. The Social Ministry Committee will deliver the cards to the Shut-Ins when we visit them the weekend of November 14th.

There is also a list of the Shut-in names on the table for you to use to prepare your cards. **Please have your cards in the bags by Friday, November 13th.**

Let's show our Shut-Ins that we have not forgotten them.



6:00 Wednesday
November 4, 11 & 18
November 25 @ 6:15
December 2, 9, 16 & 23



7:00 Wednesday
November 11 & 18
December 2, 9, 16 & 23

Bell ringers needed for Advent and Christmas Eve!
Let me know if you are interested in ringing bells. You do NOT need to be able to read music. I look forward to seeing you ring!