



SAINT MARY'S

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Founded 1762

Welcome!

Because we believe that the risen Christ is in our midst, we also believe that we should never place a period where God has placed a comma.

Order of Worship

November 2, 2025 | 10:30 am

All Saints' Sunday

We Gather

Welcome

Prelude

*Call to worship

*Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. God calls us to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **In the company of all the saints we cry: Praise God! Salvation, glory, and power belong to our God!***

*Hymn #299 (New Century)

For All The Saints

stanzas 1, 2, 3

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. Have mercy on us, your faithful servants. Keep before us faithful for us to follow so that, living with courage and love, we may inherit the kingdom promised in Jesus Christ, and reign with him forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Let us pray.

God of all ages: we thank you for the faithful witness of your apostles, prophets, and martyrs throughout the history of your church and throughout the world even today. Through their witness we see and hear your truth. We bless you for all who bless your name through their writing, speaking, art, and music. Through their work we glimpse your beauty. We praise you for all who serve you without recognition or honor, offering encouragement to the lonely, the sick, and the fearful. Through their lives we see your faithfulness and sense your comfort. Now we pray that you will use even us to reflect the glory we see in Christ. (continued next page)

You are invited to use the time before service to prepare your heart and mind for worship through prayer and reflection. We kindly ask that all cell phones and media devices be silenced.

Worship Liturgy

Throughout the worship liturgy, you are invited to respond with all of the words in bold.

***Asterisk indicates**
please rise in
body or spirit

Hearing Assist Devices

Headphones and receivers are available in the tech booth.

May the voices of all your saints, made holy in Christ, swell in joyous praise to you, the giver of all good gifts, through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

A Time with the Children

We Hear

Old Testament ***Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4*** **(page 871)**

Responsive Reading ***Psalm 119:137-144***

You are righteous, O Lord, and your judgments are right.

You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness.

My zeal consumes me because my foes forget your words.

Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts.

Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and your law is the truth.

Trouble and anguish have come upon me, but your commandments are my delight.

Your decrees are righteous forever; give me understanding that I may live.

Epistle Reading ***2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12*** **(page 205)**

Gospel ***Luke 19:1-10*** **(page 82)**

***Gospel Response:**

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

Sermon - Rev. Barbara Kershner Daniel

***Hymn #336 (New Century)**

Here, O My Lord, I See

You Face to Face

stanzas 1, 2, 3

We Respond

***Apostle's Creed**

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 again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Thanks to the following people for helping with service today:

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***Dedication of the Offering**

For the gifts offered this day and every day we give thanks, O God. Make us good stewards of all you have entrusted to our care. May these gifts be used to serve your beloved creation, to sustain your children in all they say and do, and to build up your kingdom throughout the earth.

Litany for All Saints' Day

All Saints Day gives us an opportunity to celebrate and remember those in our community who have gone before us.

Their presence in our community has shaped our work, life, character and story.

We remember those whose faithful witness proclaims the gospel and commandments of Jesus Christ in words loud and soft, in actions great and small.

We gather before you, God, and remember the saints who have told your stories of your people, and witnessed to their faith in times gone by.

Indeed, we remember those who died in the past year: (a bell will chime for each one mentioned).

For all their gifts, great and small, we give thanks. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen!

Service for Holy Communion

The Lord be with you in your joy and your sorrow.

And also with you.

Though sometimes they be heavy, lift up your hearts to God.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God, for God is always present.

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

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

Breaking of the Bread and Lifting of the Cup

Gathered with his friends, Jesus took bread, broke it and said: "This is my body, broken for you. Take and eat." And pouring the wine: "This is my blood, spilled out for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

God of all, send your spirit to this place so that those gathered here, in this sacred moment, may know your presence. As we eat the bread and drink of the cup, make us one with the saints, and with our sisters and brothers in faith around the world.

Be with us God, not only here but in every moment of our lives. Help us to know you, to be guided by the Holy Spirit, and to live Christ. Now and forever. Amen.

Sunday Mornings

9:15 am – Adult Sunday School

9:15 am – Children's Sunday School

10:30am – Hybrid In-Person and Online Worship

Church Staff

Sam Chamelin, *Pastor*

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Offering

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Pastoral Emergencies

Please call the church office 410-346-7977

Prayer Chain

Contacts:

Belinda Finn or the Church Office

Church Office Hours

Mondays 9 – 1

Wednesdays 9 – 1

Voicemail and email are monitored daily.

410-346-7977

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

(You are invited to come forward this morning to receive Holy Communion and then light a candle as you remember a loved one this day. It has been said that it is better to light one candle than it is to curse the darkness. Yet a candle burning in the night can bring us comfort, peace and even hope. May the light of the candles remind us that even though our loved ones are no longer present with us in body, the life of their spirit has not been extinguished.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Spirit of Christ, stay with us where we stay, as familiar as our daily bread. Go with us where we go, full of love as the cup that has touched our lips. May we, your eager and sometimes awkward saints, carry in us a communion from which all can share -comfort for loss, courage for speaking, compassion for healing. We give you thanks for both the shelter and the road. Amen

***Hymn #299 (New Century)**

For All the Saints

stanzas 4, 5

We Are Sent

***Benediction**

***Three-fold Amen**

Announcements

***Postlude**

Shall We Gather at the River

Lowry