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**UNION UNIVERSITY CHURCH**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**November 2, 2025**  
**All Saints Day**

**WELCOME & INTRODUCTION ANNOUNCEMENTS & CELEBRATIONS**

**PRELUDE** Psalm impression: Blessing

*"But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth."*  
*Psalm 86:15*

*Douglas E. Wagner*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We remember today the countless saints of the church who have blazed a trail of courage through time.

**People: We remember today the tender touch of loved ones, the example of those who taught us integrity, and the healing words of those who brought us comfort in our time of need.**

Leader: We remember today the gentle strength of grandparents, the sacrifice of parents, the joy of children, the loyalty of friends, and the kindness of our fellow faithful.

**People: We remember today the supreme love of Jesus, the blessing of his Spirit, the reminder of his words, the sharing of his suffering, and the glory of his resurrection.**

Leader: We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

**People: Let us worship God and give thanks for the saints of our church and lives.**

**\*HYMN OF THE MONTH #122**

**Sing to the God of Harvest**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER** (*Sung, see inside back cover of hymnal*)

**RESPONSIVE READING** *Psalm 37: 1-6*

Leader: Fret not yourself because of the wicked, be not envious of wrongdoers!

**People: For they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.**

Leader: Trust in the Lord, and do good; so you will dwell in the land, and enjoy security.

**People: Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.**

Leader: Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.

**People: He will bring forth your vindication as the light, and your right as the noonday.**

**GIFT OF MUSIC**      O God Beyond All Praising  
*Holst, arr by Rooney Abriol*  
*Beth Keefer*

**UNISON PRAYER**

**All: God be in my head and in my understanding;  
God be in my eyes and in my looking;  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking;  
The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger,  
And abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,  
Keeping steadfast love for the thousandth generation,  
Forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin  
Yet by no means clearing the guilty.**

**TIME OF REMEMBRANCE**

Leader: On this day of remembrance for the saints of the church and of our lives, we give thanks for the ways in which we have been shaped by those who have gone before us.

**People: We celebrate the lives of those whose work for Christ has been made manifest in this church:**

Leader: The men and women of the Union University Church who taught children now grown, who gave to missions and cared for the ill, and who shaped their lives to be examples of Christ's love for others.

**People: We pray that we may work with the same diligence and compassion so that one day our names may be remembered as the faithful of this church.**

Leader: We also celebrate the lives of family members and friends gone whose lives we cherished, who gave so much to us;

**People: And whose spirits continue to be with us in our memories and in the living of our days.**

Leader: We especially remember and honor today, Rev. R. Leroy Mose, Corrie Burdick, Sally Hopkins, Hugh Langelier, and Clayton Stutzman, and we light these candles in recognition of their long years of commitment to this family of faith.

*[Five candles are lit]*

Leader: And now, we lift the names of all our loved ones who have died, some recently and some long ago, yet whose faces are still present and precious to our hearts.

*[The names of loved ones are read and a sixth candle is lit]*

Leader: We light this last candle to remind us that nothing, not even death, can separate us from the love of God in Christ. Our love will burn forever bright.

*[A seventh candle is lit]*

**\*HYMN OF REMEMBRANCE #672 For All the Saints**

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*Please consider these options: checks, cash, or arrange for your bank or credit union to send a monthly check to UUC at no charge to the donor.*

**OFFERTORY** God's Time Is the Best (from Cantata 106)  
*JS Bach, arr. E. Power Biggs*

## \*DOXOLOGY # & BLESSING

**#71A: Praise God, the source of life and birth.**

**Praise God, the Word who came to earth.**

**Praise God the Spirit, holy Flame.**

**All glory, honor to God's name.**

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 19: 1-10 (*Pew Bible p.912*)

**SERMON** Getting a Better View *Dr. Marc Smithers*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: For the times we have lied to one another  
and the times we have been lied to.

**People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the World.**

Leader: For the times we have laughed at another's plan  
and the times we have been laughed at,

**People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the World.**

Leader: For the times we have betrayed a friend  
and the times we have been betrayed,

**People: Heal us Jesus, Savior of the World.**

Leader: For the times we have spoken when we should have  
remained silent and the times we have remained silent when we should have spoken,

**People: Heal us, Jesus, Savior of the World.**

## \*COMMUNION HYMN #482

**Let us Break Bread Together**

## SERVICE OF COMMUNION

This month we celebrate "altar communion" by asking people to come forward to take the bread and cup when the usher invites you. Take and eat a piece of bread. After eating the bread, move to the right or to the left, take a cup of juice and drink it. After you drink the juice, place the empty cup in the tray provided on the left or right. Once you have placed your empty cup in the tray, return to your pew using the outside aisles. If you cannot come forward, indicate to the usher that you would like communion brought to you by an Elder.

Our church practices open communion. Anyone who wishes to join in the Lord's Supper is invited to do so

## Words of Institution

**Sharing the Lord's Table Together**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: We give you thanks, O God, for all the saints who ever worshiped you

**People: Whether in brush arbors or cathedrals, weathered wooden churches or crumbling cement meeting houses where your name was lifted and adored.**

Leader: We thank you, O God, for hands lifted in praise:

**People: Manicured hands and hands stained with grease or soil, strong hands and those gnarled with age holy hands used as wave offerings across the land.**

Leader: We thank you, God, for hardworking saints;

**People: Whether hard-hatted or steel-booted, head ragged or aproned, blue-collared or three-piece-suited**

Leader: They left their mark on the earth for you, for us, for our children to come.

**People: Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us.**

**All: Bless the memories of your saints, oh God.**

**May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love.**

## **\*CLOSING HYMN # 738**

**Open My Eyes That I May See**

## **\*BENEDICTION**

## **\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE # 843**

**May the Peace of Christ**

## **POSTLUDE**

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

*Spiritual, arr by Joel Raney*

**\*Please stand as you are able.**

**Note: Large print hymnals are available at the back of the sanctuary.**

**November Leadership:** Trustee: Joe Dosch, **Fellowship:** Sharon Burdick, **Deacon:** TBD, **Elder:** Nov. 2, Bob Heineman, Nov. 9: TBD, Nov. 16 TBD, Nov. 23, 30: Rick Stephens

## **Prayer Concerns**

Ding Jiayi & Family, Chang Weiping & Family, Wes Bentz, Lowin, Michelle Garcia

Escobar, Vangelia Perryman, Esther & Marcus Epps, Bob & Deb Lewis, Bob Condrate, Joan & Brad Bowden, Luanne Crosby's friends: Kathy Kalushka (breast cancer) & Kathy Bohlen (cancer), Steve Crandall, the family of Hugh Langelier, Jim Ryder who has been in ICU for 9 weeks (he is a friend of Michele Hluchy), the family of Clayton Stutzman. **Condolences may be sent to Sue Stutzman, 581 O'Connor Rd, Hornell, NY 14843.**

### **Serving Today**

Guest Preacher.....Marc Smithers  
Lay Leader.....Nancy Evangelista  
Greeter(s).....Cathy & Bob Rees  
Altar Flowers.....Communion  
Coffee Hour.....Anna McHale  
Keyboard.....Laurel Buckwalter  
Usher.....John Meacham  
Zoom Hosts.....Jim Ninos, John Buckwalter

### **Looking Ahead – November 9**

Guest Preacher.....Paul Briggs  
Lay Leader.....Dave Porter  
Greeter(s).....The Tuckers  
Altar Flowers.....Cindy Tucker  
Coffee Hour.....Mary Smith  
Keyboard.....Laurel Buckwalter  
Usher.....John Meacham  
Zoom Hosts.....Jim Ninos, John Buckwalter

### **Upcoming Guest Preachers**

Nov 9: Paul Briggs  
Nov 16: Reece Nolt  
Nov 23: Sarah Jacoby Murphy  
Nov 30: Wendy Fambro

### **Upcoming Volunteers**

#### **Greeters**

Nov 9: Tucker  
Nov 16: Cartledge  
Nov 23: Burdick/Henry  
Nov 30: Stephens

#### **Lay Leaders**

Nov 9 Dave Porter  
Nov 16: John Buckwalter  
Nov 23: Meissner  
Nov 30: McHale

**Flowers**

Nov 9: Tucker

Nov 16: Henry

Nov 23: Meissner

Nov 30: Advent Wreath

**Coffee Hour**

Nov 9: Mary Smith

Nov 16: Tucker

Nov 23: Burdick Henry

Nov 30: Rees

**Ushers**

Nov: John Meacham

**UUC Draft Mission and Vision Statements**

The visioning group appreciates all of the input we received that helped us tweak the Belief, Purpose and Pursuits statements. That work enabled us to move forward to create DRAFT Mission and Vision statements. The mission and vision are part of our by-laws, so will be voted on during the semi-annual meeting November 16th.

DRAFT **MISSION**: To serve Christ's call by loving our neighbor, welcoming the stranger, caring for the needy, and striving for justice everywhere.

DRAFT **VISION**: To be a vibrant, thriving faith community following Jesus by enthusiastically welcoming and serving all.

Please provide your thoughts and input **by November 9th** by emailing [mjjustianiec@gmail.com](mailto:mjjustianiec@gmail.com) with comments **OR** by providing written feedback on this bulletin insert.

*Melissa on behalf of the visioning group (Nancy E, Lana M, Dave P, Rick S, Cindy T)*

**November Mission of the Month****Habitat for Humanity**

# 122 Sing to the God of Harvest

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN 7.6.7.6 D

1 Sing to the God of har - vest a song of love and praise;  
 2 God gives the rain and sun - shine; the des-erts bloom and spring;  
 3 Bring to the ho - ly ta - ble gifts God in good-ness gave:

with joy - ful hearts and voic - es your al - le - lu - ias raise.  
 all crea-tures leap in glad - ness; the chil-dren laugh and sing.  
 the wheat of gos - pel plant - ing, the world Christ died to save;

By God's com-mand the sea - sons in fruit-ful or - der move;  
 God fills them with a - bun - dance; all liv - ing things in - crease;  
 and bring the cup of bless - ing, the fruit of field and vine,

so thank the God of har - vest with hymns of heart-felt love.  
 the year is crowned with kind - ness, with plen - ty and with peace.  
 and thank the God of har - vest who calls us now to dine.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB (USA), adapt. from "Sing to the Lord of Harvest," John S. B. Monsell (Ireland), 19th c., © 1998, 2003 GIA Publications, Inc.

Music: Johann Steurlein (present-day Germany), 1575; harm. Healey Willan (Canada), 1958; © Healey Willan Society

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## For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE 10.10.10 with alleluias



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their ref - uge, and their might, thou,  
 3 Oh, bless'd com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine! We  
 4 The gold - en eve - ning bright-ens in the west. ———  
 5 But lo! There breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the  
 6 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee ——— by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 Christ, ——— the hope that put their fears to flight; 'mid  
 feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine, yet  
 Soon, soon to faith - ful ser - vants com - eth rest. Sweet  
 saints ——— tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray, as  
 gates ——— of pearl streams in the count - less host, \*all



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er bless'd.  
 gloom and doubt, their true and shin - ing light.  
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
 is the calm of par - a - dise the bless'd.  
 God to glo - ry calls them all a - way.  
 prais - ing Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



\*Alternate phrase: to praise Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost





# 482 Let Us Break Bread Together

BREAK BREAD TOGETHER 10.10 with refrain

F C7 F Gm F

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Am G7 C Dm C

Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain F Gm

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris - ing

C7 F Dm Gm7 C7 F

sun, O Lord have mer - cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual (USA)

Music: African American spiritual

# 738 Open My Eyes That I May See

OPEN MY EYES 8.8.9.8.8.8.4

Capo 1: (G) Ab (D7) Eb7 (G) Ab

1 O - pen my eyes that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me.  
 2 O - pen my ears that I may hear voic-es of truth thou send-est clear,  
 3 O - pen my mouth and let me bear glad-ly the warm truth ev-'ry-where.

(B7) C7 (Em) Fm (B7) C7 (Em) Fm (A7) Bb7

Place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un-clasp and  
 and while the wave notes fall on my ear, ev - 'ry - thing false will  
 O - pen my heart and let me pre-pare love with thy chil - dren

(D) Eb (G) Ab (D7) Eb7

set me free. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy  
 dis - ap-pear. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy  
 thus to share. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy

(G) Ab (G7) Ab7 (C) Db (D7) Eb7 (G) Ab

will to see. O - pen my eyes, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!  
 will to see. O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!  
 will to see. O - pen my mouth, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!

Text: Clara H. Scott (USA), *Best Hymns*, No. 2, 1895Music: Clara H. Scott, *Best Hymns*, No. 2, 1895

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# キリストの平和が Kirisuto no heiwa ga (May the Peace of Christ)

KI RI SU TO NO Irregular

Capo 3: (C)  
Eb

(Em7)  
Gm7

(F)  
Ab

\*キ リ ス ト の 平 和 が わ た し た  
Ki - ri - su - to no hei - wa ga, wa - ta - shi - ta -  
May the peace of Christ be with you. May the love of

(Em7)  
Gm7

(Dm7)  
Fm7

(G2)  
Bb2

(C)  
Eb

ち の こ こ ろ の す み ず み に ま  
chi no ko - ko - ro no su - mi - zu - mi ni ma -  
Christ dwell deep in your heart. May the Spir - it en-light - en your

(Em7)  
Gm7

(Dm/F)  
Fm/Ab

(G7)  
Bb7

(C)  
Eb

で ゆ き わ た り ま す よ う に  
de yu - ki - wa - ta - ri - ma - su - yo - u - ni.  
way. May you live in the com-fort of God's care.

\*Translation: May the peace of Christ enter every corner of our hearts.

Text: Japanese; Izumi Shiota (Japan); English stanza Lori True (USA), 2008

Music: Izumi Shiota; arr. Lori True, 2008; acc. Mary Howarth (USA)

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