

November 2, 2025

All Saints Day/Members & Memories Sunday

"Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in our lifetime; therefore we must be saved by hope.

Nothing which is true or beautiful or good makes complete sense in any immediate context of history; therefore we must be saved by faith. Nothing we do, however virtuous, can be accomplished alone; therefore we must be saved by love."

— Reinhold Niebuhr

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

PRELUDE "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing"

Paul Manz Organist, Larry Gillum

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 32)

Liturgist, Patti Dolezal

Pastor: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice!

Liturgist: Let us offer our prayers!

Congregation: Let us acknowledge our transgressions!

Pastor: God, you preserve us and surround us.

Liturgist: You teach us the ways that we should go.

Congregation: Let us shout for joy! Let us rejoice for God is good.

*OPENING HYMN No. 805 "Come Sing to God"

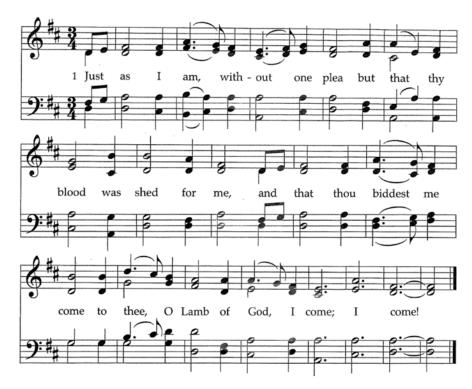
PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way by joining with those from ages past. May we serve you with faith, hope and love, and we may live into the kingdom you promised through Jesus the Christ.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE: "Just as I Am, without One Plea"



*PASSING OF THE PEACE

JOYFUL BELLS "For All the Saints" Larson

Director, Patti Dolezal

A READING FROM THE EPISTLE 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, NRSV

CHANCEL CHOIR "In Remembrance" Ames

Annette Dechant , clarinet Director, Rich Dixon

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL Luke 19:1-10, NRSV

RECOGNITION OF OUR LONG-TIME MEMBERS

MESSAGE "Saints of All Shapes and Sizes" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 817 "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

OFFERTORY "Come Away to the Skies, My Beloved Arise" (Middlebury)

Dale Wood

*DoxoLogy (Hymnal # 606)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

REMEMBERING OUR SAINTS (see following pages in bulletin)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS: No. 559 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

The congregation responds, "We seek your grace."

Following each petition which concludes, "In faith, O God..."

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

Loving God, as we have celebrated this feast together, you have made us one with Christ. May we carry this experience of Christ into our staying. May your presence be as common place as the surroundings of our home. May we carry this experience of Christ in our going that we might carry your love and hope in everywhere we go. In sharing this cup and this bread, let us be united to the full body of Christ empowered to offer courage, compassion and comfort for those in need. Amen

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)

*HYMN OF SENDING No. 321

"The Church's One Foundation"

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

"Give Thanks, O Christian People"

from Memmingen ms, 17th century

*Please stand if you are able.



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Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies

Remembering Our Saints 2024-2025

November 19, 2024 Philip Ingersoll

December 18, 2024 Catherine Moon

December 25, 2024 Brenton Washburne

January 17, 2025 Jane Harroff

January 18, 2025 Kent Dannen

March 14, 2025 Tina Myers

April 14, 2025 Lois Cheney

July 22, 2025 Karen McClure

July 30, 2025 Ron Froehlich

August 27, 2025 Merry Nielsen

October 2, 2025 Thom Van Boskirk

October 4, 2025 Steve Fry

An excerpt from the Companion to the Book of Common Worship

(Geneva Press, 2003, 150-151)

All Saints' Day is a time to rejoice in all who through the ages have faithfully served the Lord. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living communion of saints. It is a time to claim our kinship with the "glorious company of apostles...the noble fellowship of prophets...the white-robed army of martyrs" (Te Deum). It is a time to express our gratitude for all who in ages of darkness kept the faith, for those who have taken the gospel to the ends of the earth, for prophetic voices who have called the church to be faithful in life and service, for all who have witnessed to God's justice and peace in every nation.

Announcements

Greeter this morning is Fran & Dick Gabrielson.

Fellowship Time — Join us today for coffee and treats hosted by the Chancel Choir.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine will be on Wednesday, November 5 at 12:00 noon in the church Library. This week's topic is "Chosen by God?" Genesis Chapters 32-33. All are welcome to join!

Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer —

The Adult Study Group (a.k.a. Not Your Mother's Sunday School) continues on Friday, November 7 at 10:00am in the church library. The group is doing an in-depth study of Matthew chapter 5. Listening to the panel of 3 experts (one teaches an entire class on Matthew), we are beginning to see past the quick read of the "red verses" - i.e. the words of Christ—and are deepening our understanding of this most loved Bible chapter. All are welcome.

The annual **Thank Offering**, sponsored by Presbyterian Women, will be received next Sunday, November 9, during worship. Some of the projects supported by this offering include six micro-duplexes and a community building for a transitional housing village in Washington and 800 daily nutritious meals in Virginia. Please note today's bulletin insert which provides more information about this important offering of love and gratitude.

Merry Marthas, an ecumenical ministry of the Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies will display their beautiful projects next Sunday as part of Thank Offering Sunday. These will include items they have sewn, knitted, or crocheted. The projects will be distributed to charities such as Crisis Advocates, Bright Christmas and Blue Santa after next Sunday.

A limited supply of "Just Coffee" will be for sale in the Narthex next Sunday, November 9, thanks to the Mission and Outreach Committee. Cost is \$12 per bag.

Upcoming:

Monday, November 10—Church Office closed in observance of Veteran's Day

Friday, November 21—Oratorio Society of Estes Park Concert at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

Saturday, November 22—Oratorio Society of Estes Park Concert at 2:00pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday, November 23—Christ the King Sunday with a special service of communion

Thursday, November 27—Church Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving

The Week Ahead

Monday, November 3

10:00am Christian Ed Committee

3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, November 4

12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group

12:00pm PEO Chapter AV

3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

4:30pm EVICS

6:30pm Estes Valley Chamber Singers

6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

Wednesday, November 5

12:00pm Bible Study

12:30pm Estes Nonprofit Network

4:00pm Joyful Bells

6:00pm Luciana Ensemble

6:30pm Estes Park Chorale rehearsal

Thursday, November 6

4:00pm Chancel Bells

5:00pm EVICS

6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Friday, November 7

10:00am Adult Study Group

12:30pm Deacons Risk Management

3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

Saturday, November 8

10:00am Girl Scout Troop 70449

5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Sunday, November 9

8:30am Journeys

10:00am Worship

4:15pm Oratorio Society of Estes Park rehearsal

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org





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