



**– All Saints Celebration –**

Anthem "Blessed Are They Who Trust" (W) Adult Choir  
"I Will Trust in the Lord" (K) #464

*Prayer of Commemoration*

One: 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.

They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

**All: We praise you, O God, for all your saints in heaven.**

One: How grateful we are of the life and witness of . . .

(Reading of names and, lighting the candles of remembrance for loved ones)

*Lighting candles of remembrance for departed church members of Open Doors UMC:*

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| Carrell Bathke  | Dean Holst    | Ruth Lamphier  |
| David Mutschler | Jason Roberts | Allan Stensrud |
| LaVon Wegner    |               |                |

*(Other loved ones we remember but see no more)*

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| Daniel Doolittle | Donnalee Lichty | Joseph Linder |
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*Lighting a candle of remembrance for those who we hold in our hearts that have joined the Church triumphant, our great cloud of witnesses.*

One: We also praise you for all those whose names are held in your loving memory,

**All: the vast company of voices who acclaim you as Lord.**

One: We are grateful for this vast company of witnesses.

**All: Strengthen us as we follow their lead.**

One: Help us to keep our eyes on Jesus, forerunner in faith, Lord of all.

**All: Strengthen us in the hope that we with them will taste and see your goodness in the land of the living.**

One: By your Spirit, teach us even now to sing the song of heaven:

**All: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb. Amen!**

**Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God forever and ever. Amen!"**

*Dedication of Church Memorials*

One: Throughout the year the church receives gifts in memory of loved ones – some we have named, some we may not even know, but all are known and loved by God. Today we lift up all the memorial gifts that have been received this past year, whether a specific item or a financial gift, to be consecrated to the glory of God and for service in and through the United Methodist Church.

**All: We accept these gifts as a sacred trust and will guard and use them reverently in loving memory of those in whose name they were given.**

One: In the name of the holy and triune God, we consecrate these gifts to the glory of God, and in memory of God's servants. The memory of the righteous is ever blessed. Let us pray:

**All: Most loving God, without you no words or works of ours have meaning. Accept the gifts of our hands as symbols of our devotion. Grant your blessing, as we have consecrated these gifts to your glory, that they may be an enduring witness to all your people, and that our lives may be consecrated in your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**– Holy Communion –**

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| <i>Communion Song</i>             | "Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine" (W)   | #2266 |
|                                   | "Be Present at Our Table, Lord" (K) | #621  |
| <i>The Great Thanksgiving</i>     |                                     | pg. 9 |
| <i>The Lord's Prayer (unison)</i> |                                     | # 895 |

*Receiving the Gifts of Bread and Cup*

*You are invited to come forward to receive this gift of God's love in Christ as instructed by the pastor. Everyone is welcome to the Lord's table in the United Methodist Church, as Christ's act of love is offered to all. After you have communed, please return to your seats by the side aisles. If coming forward is difficult for you, signal the communion servers who come to the back of the sanctuary and overflow room – they will be happy to bring communion to you. Thank you.*

*Prayer after Receiving*

**– Sending Forth –**

- \* *Benediction*
- \* *Hymn of Going Forth*                      "When We All Get to Heaven"                      #701
- \* *Postlude – The Church Scatters for Ministry . . .*

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**How good to gather as friends in faith!** Everyone is invited for coffee and treats, both before and after the 9:00 worship service at the Wells Campus and before the 11:00 am service at the Kiester Campus.

**The nursery** is available for parents to use during worship on Sunday mornings. The nursery is on the south side of the entryway next to the restroom. The TV may be turned on to watch the service.

**Keep in your prayers this week:** JoAnn Stensrud and family for the passing of Allan on Oct. 25; Joan Christian in her fight with cancer; Alan Yokiell; all those grieving, hurting, and lonely; all those struggling with challenging life situations; all those serving in the military and their families.

**Announcements**

**The flowers** in the chancel are from the funeral of Allan Stensrud, which was held at the Wells Campus on October 31.

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**Kitchen Celebration Meal Planning Meeting TODAY, Nov. 6** – Another planning meeting to continue the work of planning is today after worship in The Meeting Room. December 11 is the date for the dinner, so mark your calendars. Everyone is invited! We will ask for RSVPs a couple weeks in advance.

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**Red Food Pantry** – Today is the monthly offering of food for the Little Red Food Pantry. Food may be placed in the collection tub in the entryways. Monetary donations are also welcomed and can be placed in the jar atop the offering chest. Gifts are welcome all month long, as the little food pantry gets regular use. As the nights are getting colder, please keep in mind to choose food that is tolerant to freezing temperatures. Thank you!

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**Jesus Food results** – Thank you to everyone who took part! 141 people packed 25,488 meals last Thursday at USC! These meals will be shipped overseas to feed Ukraine refugees. We can still accept donations to help pay for the food and shipping.

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**One more week to collect for UMCOR Cleaning Kits** – Cleaning Kits (Flood Buckets) are urgently needed for Hurricane Ian recovery efforts in Florida and the Southeast. Sheets with supply lists and instructions are at the collection tub in the entryway. Complete kits, or just some supplies, are needed. Midwest Mission Distribution Center will have a truck in Blue Earth on Nov. 15 to pick up whatever local churches have collected. Besides the Cleaning Kits, MMDC is also in need of 12" rulers with metric and 12-pack colored pencils. Cleaning Kit instructions are at the collection tub in the entryway, in the November OneWay or at [www.midwestmission.org](http://www.midwestmission.org). If you'd like to donate, please have your items here by Sunday, November 13.

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**Painting Class Starts Tomorrow** – Open Doors will be hosting a free acrylic painting class on Mondays starting November 7 at the Wells Campus. Jim Dalton will be teaching the class. It will be for two hours in the morning, from 9-11. If you want to take the class, sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office and let us know. The class will have a limit of eight people, and is open to acrylic or watercolor painters.

If you have your own paints and brushes, bring them, otherwise, supplies for acrylic painting will be furnished at no charge, so that beginners can find out if they like it before investing in expensive paints and brushes. This is a good time to try something new! All skill levels are welcome.



**Operation Christmas Child** –The deadline for dropping off your OCC shoebox gifts is November 20. These things will help to make assembling your box easier:

- We have a supply of pre-printed Operation Christmas Child boxes you can use – they're in the cardboard carton beside the bulletin table – and self-stick box labels. Pick up a brochure or label sticker, gift suggestion lists, and a shoe box. (Don't forget to mail or pay online the shipping/processing fee of \$10.)
- For help with your shopping, the Operation Christmas Child's website ([www.operationchristmaschild.com](http://www.operationchristmaschild.com)) has a link to OCC's Amazon page ([www.amazon.com/shop/operationchristmaschild](http://www.amazon.com/shop/operationchristmaschild)) where they have assembled shopping lists of great items for shoe-boxes. You can shop online and have the items shipped to you, then assemble your box.
- At [www.operationchristmaschild.org](http://www.operationchristmaschild.org) you can build a shoebox totally online for a set fee of \$25, or \$31 with "The Greatest Journey" discipleship program. To find Open Door's online goal page, scroll to the bottom of the Build a Shoebox Online page and click "Search for a Goal Page," enter 56097 and you'll find our page.
- Check out the website for tons of tips and stories. Plus there are lists of gift suggestions on the bulletin table.



**Fund-Raising Campaign for Kitchen** – Thank you to all who have returned their Kitchen Campaign Pledge card! We are now over 80% of our goal of \$25,000. As of October 23, the total is \$21,165! We ask you to prayerfully consider what you can give that will help bring us closer to a fully financed new kitchen. Pledge cards and gifts can be dropped in the green offering chest (make sure they are clearly marked for Kitchen) and you can find extra pledge cards there, too.



**Gnome Day** – A day to gather with friends to make Christmas-themed gnome crafts. November 12, 10am at Linda Bakken's home in Freeborn. Cost of supplies is \$12 with an optional donation for the church kitchen project. See the November OneWay for a list of items to bring and more information.



**Advent Season** – November 27 will be the first Sunday of Advent. A few of the church activities to look forward to are:

**Sermon series and small group:** *The Heart That Grew Three Sizes – Finding Faith in the Story of The Grinch.*

**Wednesday afterschool kids program for grades 3-6:** "Unfrozen." Do you want to meet a savior this Christmas? *UnFrozen* 4-Week series (Wednesdays 11/30-12/21) teaches kids that Jesus was born to melt away the old and bring new life and a new kingdom. Contact Sarah Hankerson for questions, to help, or to sign up your kids.

**Weekly Advent candle lighting:** an opportunity for families and individuals to participate in worship. Contact Jan Johanson or the office if you would like to volunteer.



**All-District Charge/Church Conference** – In-person Saturday, November 12, from 10:00am-2:00pm, at First UMC Redwood Falls, 601 Veda Drive, Redwood Falls.



**Nov./Dec. Upper Room** devotionals are available to pick up. \$1.25 reg print/\$1.50 lg print.



**Pie Auction is just 2 weeks away!** Don't miss the annual Pie Auction on November 20! It's a perennial favorite! Whose pie will get the highest bid this year? Homemade pie donations requested. Can be baked, refrigerated, or frozen and ready to bake. Proceeds will go for the 2023 Jamaica mission trip and youth activities.



