

# Unity Moravian Church

November 1, 2020

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

**All Saints Day**

## THE CONGREGATION GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“Trusting Jesus”

arr. J. Byers

## HEARING GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

LITURGY (Pages 105 – 108)

**ALL SAINTS**

Dana Myers

Behold, a great multitude, which no one can number, out of every nation and of all tribes, and peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, with palm branches in their hands,

**And they cry with a loud voice saying, "Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb."**

HYMN 105

TUNE: LYONS

*Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son;  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.*

*Then let us adore and give him his right,  
All glory and power and wisdom and might,  
All honor and blessing with angels above,  
And thanks never ceasing for infinite love.*

These are the ones of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and the holes in the ground. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were slain with the sword, they were burned at the stake, they were killed by an assassin's bullet. They were destitute, persecuted, tormented. These are the ones who have come out of great tribulation; they have washed their robes and cleansed them in the blood of the Lamb.

**Therefore they are before the throne of God, and they worship day and night in the temple.**

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their Shepherd, and will guide them to springs of living water.

**And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.**

HYMN 106

TUNE: BEDFORD (14 C)

*Glory to God, whose witness train,  
Those heroes bold in faith,  
Could smile on poverty and pain  
And triumph e'en in death.*

*God, whom we serve, our God can save,  
Can damp the scorching flame,  
Can build an ark, can smooth the wave,  
For such as love his name.*

*Lord, if your arm support us still,  
With its eternal strength,  
We shall o'ercome the mightiest ill,  
And conquerors prove at length.*

Almighty God, Redeemer and Sustainer, we offer you thanks and praise for the holy lives of all your servants – the prophets, apostles, and martyrs – who have shone forth as lights in the world and sacrificed their lives in testimony of their faith.

We thank you for the triumphant fellowship of all the saints in glory. We remember before you all who have been called to the more immediate presence of the Savior, and especially those most dear to us and our congregation. We rejoice in our present fellowship with them, in our continuing hope, and in the promise of eternal joy. Let the great cloud of witnesses, the innumerable company of those who have gone before and entered into rest, be to us an example of godly life. May we run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith; and may we obtain entrance into your eternal kingdom, and with the glorious assembly of the saints, worship and adore you.

(Chant) ***In the name of Jesus, Amen.***

HYMN 107

TUNE: LANCASHIRE (151 M)

*Apostles, prophets, martyrs, and all the sacred throng  
Who wear the spotless raiment, who raise the ceaseless song;  
For those passed on before us, our Savior, we adore,  
And walking in their footsteps, would serve you more and more.*

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,  
**For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

**No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. If God is for us, who can be against us!**

Hear the words of the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, who was dead and is alive again: Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

**To him who loves us and washed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests to God, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.**

HYMN 394

“Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand”

EASTHAM

*Ten thousand times ten thousand in sparkling raiment bright,  
The armies of the ransomed saints throng up the steeps of light;  
'Tis finished, all is finished, their fight with death and sin;  
Fling open wide the golden gates, and let the victors in.*

*O then what raptured greetings on Canaan's happy shore;  
what knitting severed friendships up, where partings are no more!  
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle that brimmed with tears of late,  
no orphans left without a home, nor mourners desolate*

*Bring near Thy great salvation, Thou Lamb for sinners slain;  
Fill up the roll of Thine elect, then take Thy power, and reign;  
Appear, Desire of nations, Thine exiles long for home;  
Show in the heaven Thy promised sign; Thou Prince and Savior, come!*

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

Colossians 1: 1 – 14

[Dana Myers](#)

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

VIDEO STORY OF MORAVIAN GRAVEYARD TRADITION: [God's Acre](#)

UNITY GRAVEYARD WALK

INTERLUDE

“Shall We Gather At the River”

arr. J. Pethel

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

### WORSHIP BY GIVING

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### CONCERNS AND JOYS FOR THE COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

### PRAYER RESPONSE 757

“Be Still, My Soul” (3<sup>rd</sup> Stanza) FINLANDIA

*Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord;  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.*

## FOLLOWING OUR LAMB INTO THE WORLD

### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

### HYMN 709

### How Firm a Foundation

- 1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!  
What more can He say than to you He hath said—  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?*
- 2. “Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by My gracious, omnipotent hand.*
- 3. “When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with thee thy trouble to bless,  
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.*

4. “When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
The flame shall not harm thee; I only design  
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.
  
5. “The soul that on Jesus doth lean for repose,  
I will not, I will not, desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“All Glory Be to God on High”

J. S. Bach

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**Watchword Text for the Year**

*Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people,  
may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. II Corinthians 4:15*

In essentials **UNITY**, in non-essentials, **LIBERTY**, in all things, **LOVE!**

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