Columbiana First United Methodist

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November 2nd, 2025

All Saints Sunday

Prelude:

*Enter the Light of Christ

Pastor's Welcome

Announcements:

- Bible Study on Wednesday @ 10 am, in the Pastor's Study.
- Nov. 16th Chef Brad's Brunch after Worship Service.
- Nov. 19th One Board Meeting @ 5:30 pm
- Nov. 23rd we will be decorating the Sanctuary for the Advent Season. Volunteers are welcome to join us at 5:30 pm.

Opening Prayer:

Gracious God, as we gather in this season of thanksgiving, our hearts overflow with gratitude for Your faithfulness through every trial. May our worship reflect the depth of our thankfulness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

*Opening Hymn: "Sing with All the Saints in Glory" 1,2,4 #702

Call to Worship:

- L: On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.
- P: We give thanks!
- L: We remember choir members, praise bands, organists, and all the musicians who sang and played your praises.
- P: We give thanks!
- L: We remember preachers and lay leaders who led our worship through the years.
- P: We give thanks!
- L: We remember parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.
- P: We give thanks!
- L: We remember our church families this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith

family with whom we grew our faith and our love for God and neighbor.

- P: We give thanks!
- L: We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today.
- P: We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present here with us, and will continue after us. Thanks be to God!

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory:

*Doxology

#95

*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God of every growing gift, You call forth saints not with perfection, but with purpose — to grow in faith, abound in love, and serve with steadfastness. Receive these offerings as signs of our gratitude, given by those You are shaping for good works in Christ. Use them to build up Your church, to bless the world, and to honor those who have taught us to love more deeply. May our generosity today reflect Your glory and strengthen us to walk ever more faithfully in Your way. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Remembering our Loved Ones

Hymn of Preparation: "Hymn of Promise"

#707

Celebration of Communion Apostle's Creed

Old Testament Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Gospel Reading: Luke 19:1-10

Gloria Patri #70

Message: "Overcoming Obstacles"

Pastor Cyndi

#710

*Closing Hymn: "When We All Get to Heaven" 1,2,4

*Benediction

*Sending: "God Be with You"

*Postlude

*Indicates for the congregation to stand if you are able

Dear Heavenly Father,

We come together today to worship You and praise You for the awesome God that You are.

It is because of You that we can be here today. Some of our church family cannot join us, but they are joining us virtually, to worship and praise You in the way that they can. We thank You for the opportunity to join with others virtually.

Today we celebrate the saints, past, present, and future. Join us today, fill us with Your Spirit, and allow us to celebrate them in a way that allows us to remember the joy, love, and hope they shared with us, helping us to be where we are today, in Your house, to be with You and all the company of Saints one day.

We praise Your name for answered prayers. The answer You give is not always the one we were hoping for. But we know that Your plan for us is perfect, and those that You have decided to call home instead of delivering them from their pains and illnesses this side of heaven, we trust that our loss is their gain.

Lord, we acknowledge the deep sorrow felt by those who remain, burdened with the weight of loss and the challenge of moving forward without loved ones. We ask for Your healing presence to be with us as we journey through the pain of grief. Grant us strength and comfort to navigate this difficult path, and help us eventually rise beyond our sorrow, embracing the joy and hope found in Your sacrifices and promises. May our healing and renewed spirit bring glory to Your name.

There are those who still need Your strength and courage as they undergo treatments.

We are grateful for those who are called to be instruments of healing on this side of heaven. Lord, we ask that You guide the medical teams who dedicate their skills and compassion to caring for those in need. Grant them wisdom in their decisions, steady hands in their work, and compassionate hearts as they serve. May they feel Your presence with them, and may their efforts be blessed as they offer hope and healing to the sick and suffering. All for Your glory.

Lord, we recognize that our world is a frightening place at this time, with war and the constant threat of conflict weighing on our hearts. Each day, we are reminded of the turmoil and uncertainty that surround us.

We humbly ask that You inspire the leaders of nations to pursue peace rather than war. May Your Holy Spirit move within them, calming their hearts and clearing their minds of any thoughts of revenge. Instead, renew them with the hope and desire to live together in unity, striving to rebuild what has been lost and to create a future that is as good as they have known—or even better.

Thank You for taking care of Your church this past week. Thank You for those that support Your church with a willing heart. Thank You for all those who give of their lives, their talents, their time, and so much more, so that we, Your church may continue to do Your work. May the community in which we have been planted, see You through us. May we bring a thirst for You, through prayer, study of Your Word, compassion, and love to all that cross our paths. All for Your glory and honor. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen