



Order of Service

November 1, 2026 - All Saints Sunday Communion

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Gathering Music: Sharon Jones, violin & Chris Fischer (they/them), piano

Candle Lighting Hymn: VU #710 “Shall We Gather at the River” HANSON PLACE

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence (he/him)

Outreach Moment: Jan Hendry

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Opening Prayer with Land Acknowledgment Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

***Hymn:** VU #315 “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty” NICÆA

Children leave for Worship & Wonder

Scripture: Revelation 7: 9-17 Barbara Dalrymple (she/her)
One: A Word of God for all people,
ALL: thanks be to God.

Musical Reflection: “The Breath Between” David Francey, arr. Mark Sirett
Choir; Sharon Jones, violin
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***Scripture:** 1 John 3: 1-3 Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

Sermon: “Hope and the Tangle of Time”

***Hymn:** VU #716 “My Life Flows On” HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

Prayers of the People:

One: Holy God, in your mercy...

ALL: hear our prayer.

Prayer of Jesus: TLUS #70 "Our Creator in Heaven"
(sung in unison)

Jason Locke

Our Creator in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kin-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kin-dom, the pow'r and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.

Communion

Eucharistic Prayer:

Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

One: God be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Holy One.

One: Let us give thanks to the God of all creation.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sung Acclamation: VU #951 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

anon., Argentina; vs. 2 Chris Fischer

1. Holy, holy, holy, my heart,
my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words:
You are holy, God!
2. In God's name is coming
the One whom we call blessed.
Hosanna in the highest!
Praise and thanks to God.

One: In remembrance of the liberation given to us, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving, as living testimonies, in union with Christ's offering for us.

ALL: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again

Prayer for Transformation

Sharing the Bread and Cup

At FSA we receive Communion by Intinction.

You will be invited up the centre aisle to one of the stations at the front. When you receive the bread, dip it lightly into the cup and partake. You may then return to your seat by the outside aisle. If you prefer, there will be pre-packaged elements available.

For those wishing to have Communion served in their pew, please signal the roving server and they will bring Communion to you.

Today's Communion elements are gluten free.

Communion Hymn: VU #466 "Eat This Bread"

EAT THIS BREAD

Refrain: all, *Verses: Joanna Li (she/her), soprano & Roland Beach (he/him), tenor*

**Refrain: Eat this bread, drink this cup;
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup;
trust in me and you will not thirst.**

*1. I am the bread of life,
the true bread sent from the Father. Refrain*

*2. Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,
but this is the bread come down from heaven. Refrain*

*4. Any one who eats this bread,
will live for ever. Refrain*

*5. If you believe and eat this bread,
you will have eternal life. Refrain*

***Hymn:** VU #706 “Give Thanks for Life”

SINE NOMINE

Blessing:

**The light of God surrounds us;
The love of God enfolds us;
The power of God protects us;
The presence of God watches over us;
Wherever we are, God is!**

Sending Music: “Toccatina”

Chris Fischer, organ

Léon Boëllmann

The Leadership in Today’s Service Includes:

Welcoming Ushers: Joan & Mike Bancroft and Pat Pettit

Narthex Co-ordinator: Carol Riddell-Elson

Service Support: George Jolink

Tech Team: Robin Neaves, Jim Silcox, Kathryn Skelly, Chris Wood and Allison Wyant

Coffee and Conversation: Board of Trustees

Gift Card Table: Margo Christodoulou and Barb Dalrymple

We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.

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