

All Saints Sunday



November 2, 2025
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10:15 am Family Contemporary Worship

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Shall We Gather at the River

Carter

Worship Song

Because He Lives (Amen)

Verse 1

I believe in the Son
I believe in the Risen One
I believe I overcome
By the power of His blood

Chorus

Amen amen
I'm alive I'm alive because He lives
Amen amen
Let my song join the one that never ends
(Because He lives)

Verse 2

I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away

Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

C: **Amen.**

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Merciful and loving God, we are your stiff-necked people. We have turned away from you and towards sin.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: We discriminate against people that look and act differently from us. We trample on the needy.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.

C: **Amen.**

P: Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

C: **Amen.**

Cash, Gaither, Ingram, Maher, Carson, Tomlin

Bridge

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone
I know He holds my life
My future in His hand

Ending

Because He lives

Prayers of the Church

(Refrain)

You're a good good Father

It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are

And I'm loved by You

It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

(Refrain)

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for all of creation kneeling, sitting, or standing.

Gracious God, today we thank you for the lives of all your saints. We are grateful for their holy witness, courage, and dedication to following your Son, Jesus Christ. Inspired by their example, we pray that we may also grow in grace, faith, and love for you and our neighbors.

Righteous One, you bring justice and wholeness throughout the world. By your spirit, guide leaders of all nations and lands to fight for justice for others and the well-being of those in need. Shepherd leaders to work together in harmony to lead with compassion and benevolence.

Almighty God, author and giver of peace, listen to the cry of our human family torn by violent conflict. Grant peace in our time, a peace the world cannot give. Inspire reconciliation by filling hearts with respect and dignity, so that violence may be replaced by love and nations may become brothers and sisters.

And we sing...

(Refrain)

Life-giving God, you know the needs of your people. Show mercy to those suffering. Comfort those in need of your healing. We pray for those with cancer, undergoing treatments, those suffering from mental illness, and those whose bodies are failing them. We remember the saints who now rest in your mercy; we give you thanks. Jo Davis, Joan Gauker, Gary Hersey, Christa Klose, Chris Macarine, James McClure, Frank Phelps, Bill Schwindler, Tom Vernocy, and for our friend Jo Davis, Joan Gauker, Gary Hersey, Christa Klose, Chris Macarine, James McClure, Frank Phelps, Bill Schwindler, Tom Vernocy. and for our friends and family members beyond the walls of Cross & Crown. We remember their witness of faithfulness and love.

Praise to you for the eternal life they have been given through Jesus Christ. And we celebrate those who were baptized, Jackson Brooks Tiller. We lift up to you all on our congregational prayer list and all we name aloud at this time...

(Pause for congregation)

God of Love, we thank you for bringing us together today as Your church. We pray for unity within our congregation, that we may be of one mind and purpose, supporting one another in love. Please give us boldness to share the good news with our community and beyond, reflecting Your glory in all that we do.

We lift to you our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. We sing our AMEN.

(Refrain)

(Children may head out for C&C Kids)



This Week's Story: Jonah and the Big Fish
Icebreaker Question: Do you have a pet?

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Welcome Home and Announcements (*See back page for additional announcements.*)

THE WORD

Luke 6:20-31

²⁰ Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ "Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ "But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ "Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you."

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

(Please be seated)

Sermon

Pastor Matt Simpkins

THANKSGIVING

Anthem

Canon of Praise

Pachelbel/Hopson

All within me bless the Lord, All within me bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, All within me bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O bless his holy name. O hear, you righteous, know that the Lord is good. We remember all his love, he crowns our lives with hope and truth. God the Lord is gracious, his mercy is the same forever. As a father loves his children, so the Lord loves his own. Those who love the Lord shall claim his ever-present help. O bless the Lord, O bless the Lord, O all within me bless his holy name. O bless the Lord my soul, O bless his holy name.

(Please stand)

Offertory Response

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Statement of Belief

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Come to the Table— Everyone's Invited!

Holy Communion is a celebration of Christ's love, shared through His body and blood. If you're hungry for His presence, this meal is for you! We commune by taking a piece of bread and dipping it into wine or grape juice. Need grape juice or gluten-free options? No problem—the assistant will gladly help you out. Kids are welcome, too! Just let the assistant know if your child will be receiving Communion or would prefer a special blessing. We're so glad you're here—let's share this joyful moment together!

Communion

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses,
As we forgive those who
trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

OR

Our Father, who is of heaven,
Holy is your name
Your kingdom come
Your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven
Give us today our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us
And lead us not into temptation
and deliver us from evil
For yours is the kingdom
And the power, and the glory
now and forever, Amen.

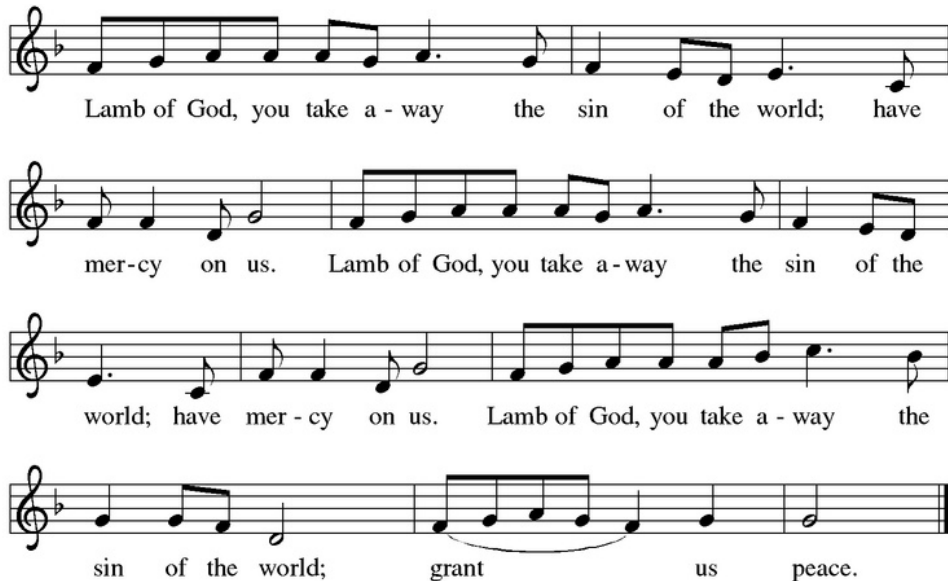
Welcome to the Table

P: Come now and feast on the gifts of God for the people of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please be seated)

Lamb of God



The musical notation is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace." The word "grant" is underlined with a long horizontal line.

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mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
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Distribution of Holy Communion

Communion Song

Future/Past

John Mark McMillan

Verse 1

You hold the reins on the sun and the moon
Like horses driven by kings
You cover the mountains the valleys below
With the breadth of Your mighty wings

Pre-Chorus

All treasures of wisdom and things to be known
Are hidden inside of Your hand
And in this fortunate turn of events
You ask me to be Your friend
You ask me to be Your friend

Chorus

And You You are my first You are my last
You are my future and my past

The Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.

C: Amen.

Benediction

P: The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you ☩ and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song

Death Was Arrested

Balltzglier, Coker, Kersh, Smith

Verse 1

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin
Lost without hope with no place to begin
Your love made a way to let mercy come in
When death was arrested and my life began

Verse 2

Ash was redeemed only beauty remains
My orphan heart was given a name
My mourning grew quiet my feet rose to dance
When death was arrested and my life began

Chorus

Oh Your grace so free washes over me
You have made me new now life begins with You
It's Your endless love pouring down on us
You have made us new now life begins with You

And You You are my first You are my last
You are my future and my past

Verse 2

The constellations are swimming inside
The breadth of Your desire
Where could I run where could I hide
From your heart's jealous fire

Bridge

You are the beginning and the end
You are the beginning and the end
You are the beginning and the end
You are the beginning and the end

Interlude

Oh oh oh oh
(REPEAT)

Verse 3

Released from my chains I'm a pris'ner no more
My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore
He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend
When death was arrested and my life began

Verse 4

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross
Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost
But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand
That's when death was arrested and my life began

Bridge

Oh we're free free forever we're free
Come join the song of all the redeemed
Yes we're free free forever amen
When death was arrested and my life began

The Doxology (sung a capella)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

Sending

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Kids are invited to join Mr. Larry in the choir room for music time!