

**All Saints Sunday
November 1, 2009 10:00 a.m.**

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*Our mission is to change peoples' lives
through a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

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~WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE~

Greeting of Peace

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Call To Worship

L: How often have we imagined the ruler of glory far off? God is not in the remote heaven but here.

P: *We wait in silence for God's appearing. Come, Holy One, to wipe away our tears.*

L: Stretch out your hands and open your hearts. Purify your lives from all deceit and falsehood.

P: *God reaches out to comfort and cleanse. We can sense God's hand of blessing resting on us.*

L: The earth and all things in it are God's. The world and all its people belong to God.

All: *We are God's people, called and saved by Christ. We are the saints who share in Christ's ministry.*

Prayer for All Saints Sunday

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Hymn *"For All the Saints"*

**#711
vs 1,2,5 & 6**

This Week at Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church

Offertory *"Saints of God"*

Doxology **#95**

Offertory Prayer

The earth is yours, O God, and all that is in it. We have received countless blessings from your hand. May the love of Jesus be expressed to others by our sharing of gifts, both person-to-person and through the investment of our monetary gifts to support the ministries of others. This offering of service and sacrifice is the high point of our worship. Amen.

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~WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD~

Anthem

"Jesus You Are"

arr: Rita Baloche

Reading of the Word

Gospel

John 6: 1-14

Stewardship Moment

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~WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE~

Celebration of the Sacrament

Invitation

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Prayer of Confession

We are unprepared to meet you, mighty God, but we cannot put off this encounter. You continue to summon us to the mountaintop, there to feel your presence and respond to your Word. You invite us to lift our heads and to see the ruler of Glory, but we have stubbornly refused to acknowledge your work among us or to see any purpose emerging from the depths of our despair. We fear death. We shrink from life. This is our greatest sin, cutting ourselves off from you. God help us.
(Pause for Silent Reflection.)

Words of Assurance

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Sending Forth the Home Communion Bearers

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~WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD~

Hymn *"Holy Ground"* **#2272**

Sending Forth

L: Go from this place to continue the work of making our world new with the Spirit of Christ. Where there is hurt, and tears are falling,

P: *we will be God's comfort.*

L: Where there is anger, and violence reigns supreme,

P: *we will be God's peace.*

L: Where there is neglect, and loneliness abides,

P: *we will be God's love.*

L: Go as saints of this generation who are the love of God, the incarnation of Christ, and the friendship of the Spirit.

All: *Amen.*

Closing Song *"The King of Glory Comes"* **#2091**

~Bringing The Light Into the World~

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Other Lectionary readings for November 1st are:

Psalm 24

John 11:32-44