# Order of Worship

November 5, 2023 All Saints Sunday 10:30 a.m.

## **Entrance**

Gathering

**Greeting and Announcements** 

Prelude Mike Lampert

\*Call to Worship "He Has Made Me Glad" Chancel Choir

\*Opening Hym "For All the Saints" UMH 711

#### \*REPONSIVE PRAYER

Rev. Billy Kurtz

- L: Almighty God, your people of all the ages live and praise you without ceasing.
  - P: In our communion with you, we have communion with generations past and generations yet unborn.
- L: Before your throne we are one with a great multitude which no one could number, and in praising you, we join with those from every nation.
  - P: Grant your church on earth that as we celebrate the triumph of your saints in glory, we may profit by their example and enter with them into the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **Proclamation and Response**

Scripture 1 John 3:1-3 NRSV / Matthew 5:1-12 NRSV

Sermon Rev. Billy Kurtz

#### PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

Rev. Billy Kurtz

- L: Ever-living God, the generations pass before you.
  - Your way is love, and your nature is compassion.

Today we remember those who lived and labored among us.

We are here in the land of the dying, recalling those who have crossed to the land of the living.

- P: Their memory is a blessing forever.
- L: We call to mind the great and the good, the long-suffering and the self-forgetful, those whose names are cherished, and those who died as though they had never been. Wise and courageous in their words, they were just and loving in their deeds.

# P: Their memory is a blessing forever.

- L: We thank you for your boundless love in Christ, for his resurrection from the dead, and for your Spirit, the Comforter who never leaves us.
  - P: Your presence is a blessing forever.
- L: O God, our Breath, we are yours; our help is in you. Our hope is in your promise.
  - P: Your presence is a blessing forever. Amen.

#### THE LIGHTING OF THE MEMORIAL CANDLES

The pillar candles at the altar are lighted in memory of:

Barbara Bailey	November 23, 2022
Robert Matthews	November 29, 2022
Evelyn Ragan	January 11, 2023
Ervin Rich	March 2, 2023
Sue Owens	July 4, 2023
Robert (Bob) Gillenwater	July 31, 2023

Please come forward and light candles for those you wish to remember. You may say their name(s) aloud.

*Hymn of Invitation	"Jesus Loves Me"	UMH 191
*Affirmation of Faith	"Apostles' Creed"	UMH 881
*Gloria Patri	"Glory Be to the Father"	UMH 70
Sharing of Joys and Con-	cerns	

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Billy Kurtz

Receiving of God's Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Mike Lampert
\*Doxology "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

**Thanksgiving** 

Celebration of Holy Communion UMH 12

**Sending Forth** 

\*Closing Hymn "How Firm a Foundation" UMH 529

\*Dismissal with Blessing Rev. Billy Kurtz

\*Choral Benediction "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" Chancel Choir Postlude Mike Lampert

Going Forth (\*Please stand as you are able.)

#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Wednesday, November 8

Choir practice 6:00 pm

Thursday, November 9

Lydia Circle 6:00 pm

Saturday, November 11

Veteran's Day Program 11:00 am

26 jars of peanut butter have been collected and taken to Union Mission by Martha Circle during the first week of collections. Donation boxes are at the Tazewell Ave. entrance and in the Narthex for your donations.



## **ILLNESS**

Roberta Bolen

**David Brewster** 

Charlotte Childers, Carol Hash's Sister

Trevor Childress, JoAnn Davis's Nephew

Cindy Elliott

Kathy Farley (JC Higginbotham's sister)

Margaret Farmer

Katie Franklin, Dean Coon's Niece

Millie Hartsock

Lansing Hill

Tom Hodge (Shelby Clendenen's brother)

Joyce Keith (cancer)

Patricia Lawson

Bryan Little (Darlene Little's Son)

Connie Little

Janet Moore

Sally Rash (Shelby Clendenen's sister)

**Shirley Saunders** 

Margaret Smith

Elliott Spencer (8 years old - Eye surgery at Duke)

Pam Spracher

Ben and Sue Young

# **MILITARY**

Lucas Graham

**Garrett Houck** 

Laken McKinney

Nate Owen

Ryan Shott

Jeremy Woody

All those serving our Country.

# **HOMEBOUND**

Lila Atkins

Rudy Austin (Vera Lee Austin's

brother)

**Ethel Earls** 

Jimmy Jones

**Gerry Stowers** 

The prayer list will be updated on November 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have someone you would like to put on the list or keep on the list, please call the office at 276-326-1466 or email info@bluefieldfumc.org.

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