Cove Presbyterian Church

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All Saints' Sunday November 2, 2025

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Rev. Linda Kurtz Burch

INTROIT

Hark, I hear the harps eternal

#56 MAH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, center down, open the doors of your heart. The one we have been seeking is seeking us. The one for whom we have longed has come to this house today.

Let us worship God.

HYMN 64 | Long for Your Commandments (Psalm 119)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God,

you promise that all who faithfully confess to you will be forgiven and preserved from trouble.

Trusting in your mercy,

we acknowledge the harm we have done, and the good we have failed to do.

Forgive us, we pray;

guide us in your truth, and teach us the way to go, that we may love and serve you well.

A time for silent prayer

In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rejoice in the gospel!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

RESPONSE, Hymn 583

Glory to God

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest; Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah.

Word

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Luke 19:1-10

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION Amazing Grace arr. Alice Parker

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Music

Let Down the Bars, O Death Emily Dickinson music: Samuel Barber

SENDING

HYMN 326

For All the Saints

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

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The session has called a congregational meeting today following worship for the purpose of electing church officers.

Today's call to worship is adapted from *Connections Worship Companion: Year C, Vol. 2*, edited by David Gambrell.

Communion will be served by intinction. Come forward, receive a piece of bread, and dip it in a cup. One cup has light grape juice; the other, a red port. Gluten-free bread is available at the center station. All are welcome at Christ's table.

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