

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
**A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP**

Sunday, November 3, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Communion Sunday

All Saints Sunday

**Welcome and Greeting** - Pastor Mark

**Prelude:** "Be Thou My Vision" (Irish Folk Melody, arr. Mark Hayes) - DeeAnn

**Opening Sentences** - Daun

**Hymn 500 (v. 1-6):** "For All the Saints" - DeeAnn et al.

**Opening Prayer** - Daun

**Duet:** "Here I Am, Lord" (Daniel Schutte, arr. Lloyd Larson) - Gerry/Wenda/DeeAnn

**A Moment of Remembrance**

**Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts** - Pastor Mark

*Doxology* - DeeAnn

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer** (using debts and debtors) - Pastor Mark

**Old Testament Reading:** Deuteronomy 6:3-9 - Rachel

Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you. Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

**Gospel Reading:** Mark 12:28-34 - Rachel

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?' Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." The second is this, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.' Then the scribe said to him, 'You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that "he is one, and besides him there is no other"; and "to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength", and "to love one's neighbor as oneself",—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.' When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' After that no one dared to ask him any question.

**Sermon:** Rev. Dr. Krupp

**Anthem:** "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" (Harold W. Friedell) - DeeAnn/Choir

**Observance of Holy Communion**

**Hymn 526:** "We Come as Guests Invited" - DeeAnn et al.

**Benediction** - Pastor Mark

**Benediction Response 579 (v. 3):** "Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing" - DeeAnn et al.

So that when Thy love shall call us, Savior, from the world away, fear of death shall not appall us, glad Thy summons to obey: may we ever, may we ever reign with Thee in endless day.

**Greet One Another** - All

Participants: Pastor Mark & DeeAnn McCormick, Rev. Dr. Gerry & Wenda Krupp, Daun Ketcheson, Rachel Gehres, Choir

## COMMUNION RITUAL

### CONFESSION

**All:** Forgiving God, we come to this table knowing that we often fall short of all that you desire for us. Sometimes we fail both as individuals and as a community of faith. We seek your mercy and grace, as we ask you for forgiveness and renewal, that we may better follow you. In the name of your Son, Amen.

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

**Minister:** We have this assurance that no matter how far we wander, or how far away we feel from God, we never move outside the boundaries of God's gracious love for us. We are loved, we are forgiven, we are blessed. We celebrate open communion here at Mayflower Church, in the tradition of our Beloved Teacher who welcomed all to the Supper, even those who betrayed him, or ran away in fear.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**Minister:** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All:** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

### THE INVITATION

**Minister:** We welcome you to this table, whether you are a member of this church, another church, or no church. All you need is faith, or a desire for faith. This is the time when we all acknowledge our past failures, sins, and disappointments, and present ourselves to God, who offers us love, forgiveness, and wholeness. Remember, God accepts us just where we are and who we are at this very moment in our lives.

### SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

**Minister:** On the night when He was betrayed, as Jesus sat at supper with His disciples, He took the bread, blessed and broke it, and said to them, "Take, eat: this is My body, which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

After supper Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and blessed it, saying, "This is the cup of the new testament in My blood: do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes again."

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**All:** We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this memorial of your love, and have granted to us the presence of your Son, even Jesus Christ our Lord, and we ask you to strengthen our faith in you and to increase our love toward one another, through Him, our Redeemer. Amen.

*Unison*



1. For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
 2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;  
 3. O may Your soldiers, faithful, true and bold,  
 4. O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
 5. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
 6. The golden evening brightens in the west;  
 7. But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
 8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,



Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
 Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;  
 Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,  
 We feeblely struggle, they in glory shine;  
 Steals on the earth the distant triumph song,  
 Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;  
 The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
 Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,



Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
 Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
 And win with them the victor's crown of gold.  
 Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
 And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
 Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
 The King of glory passes on His way.  
 Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:



GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Al - le - lu - ia!". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia!" are written below the treble staff, with hyphens under the words. The music ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

1. We come as guests in - vit - ed When Je - sus bids us dine,  
 2. We eat and drink, re - ceiv - ing From Christ the grace we need,  
 3. One bread is ours for shar - ing, One sin - gle fruit - ful vine,

His friends on earth u - nit - ed To share the bread and wine;  
 And in our hearts be - liev - ing On Him by faith we feed;  
 Our fel - low-ship de - clar - ing Re - newed in bread and wine:

The bread of life is bro - ken, The wine is free - ly poured  
 With won - der and thanks - giv - ing For love that knows no end,  
 Re - newed, sus - tained, and giv - en By to - ken, sign, and word,

For us, in sol - emn to - ken Of Christ our dy - ing Lord.  
 We find in Je - sus liv - ing Our ev - er - pres - ent Friend.  
 The pledge and seal of heav - en, The love of Christ our Lord.