31st Sunday of Ordinary Time
All Saints Service
November 1, 2026

Preaching	**Worship Leader**	**Pianist/Organist**
Pastor Phil Yoder	Kendra Nickel	LuAnn Stuckey

Gathering

Music Calls Us to Worship — *We Praise the Word of God* — Gambrell/Dengler

Welcome

Candle Lighting Invocation — Fran Core & Quin Spelman

Prelude — *Prelude on "St. Anne" (based on "O God, Our Help in Ages Past")* — William T. Best

*Hymn of Gathering — *What Comfort Can Our Worship Bring* — VT 623

*Responsive Reading - Inspired by Hebrews 11:39-12:2

One: We come surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, by saints known to the church and saints known only to us.
Many: We remember those who have gone before us in faith.
One: We remember those who taught us to love, who showed us courage, who walked faithfully through seasons of joy and sorrow.
Many: We give thanks to God for the lives that still bear witness among us.
One: Their race is finished. Ours continues. So let us lay aside all that weighs us down and run with perseverance the race that lies before us.
Many: We fix our eyes on Jesus, who leads us and makes our faith complete.
One: And in days of uncertainty, disagreement, grief, and change, let us remember whose people we are.
Many: We will walk in faith, love our neighbors, seek what makes for peace, and trust in the God who holds every generation.
All: Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us worship God together.

Telling God's Story

Chancel Choir — *God Who Watches Over Me* — Lensch/Shepperd
Steve Harnish, recorder Andrea Clements, piano
LuAnn Stuckey, director

Time with Children

Hymn — *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* — VT 203
v.1 & 3 coming forward and v. 5 & 6 returning to seats

Conversation — Phil Yoder

Community Prayer — Adam Phillips
The Lord's Prayer — James W. Bixel
back cover of HWB

Scripture — Revelation 7:9-17 — Shelby Cluts

Message — *The Story We Tell*

Living God's Story

Hymn of Response — *When Grief Is Raw* — VT 655

Service of Remembrance

Hymn — *Oh, Have You Not Heard* — VT 668

Announcements
Offering
Invitation
Offertory — *Aria Religioso* — Vincent Novello
Prayer of Dedication

Sending

*Hymn of Sending — *On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand* — VT 661

*Benediction

*Postlude — *For All the Saints* — Ralph Vaughn Williams

**Please rise in body or in spirit*
- VT: Voices Together (Purple Bound Book)

Parents of young children: God put the wiggle in children, so no need to suppress those wiggles.
Sitting closer to the front makes it easier for your little ones to engage.
They are welcome to join the PrayGround at the front of the sanctuary.
Also, children learn their behavior by mimicking you. Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses.
Feel free to leave the sanctuary with your child, but you're welcome to come back.
As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."