



"Lighting Up Candles on All Saints' Day"
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 2, 2025
ONLINE AND IN-PERSON WORSHIP
FBC SANCTUARY
11:00 A.M.

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The saints are models of holiness and righteousness. Because they have lived with God and are now in the hands of God, they show us how to live, to endure, and to hold fast through loss, sorrow, and pain, as well as through honors, joys, and triumphs. They lead us to the one true thing in life: communion with God, with one another, and with all the holy ones who have gone before us.

— Kathleen M. O'Connor

Gathering Music

“Regal Praise” (Medley)

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Welcome and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Rev. Cristina Adams

Prelude

“Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow”

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Responsive Invocation

Chad Johnston

Leader: Gracious and Holy God, we praise you for taking pleasure in your people and lifting up the humble.

People: In all ages, you have been faithful to us, even when we were not faithful to you.

Leader: You have sent prophets and witnesses to call us back to you when we ourselves grew weary, stumbled, or fell from your way.

People: Gracious God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to set our hope on Christ and live for the praise of his glory.

Leader: Pour out your Spirit upon us, as you have poured out your Spirit on generations past,

People: so that our love for all the saints might increase, and also our love for the world you love.

LIFTING OUR VOICES IN PRAISE

Congregational Anthem (CONGR 567, v. 5)

“Sine Nomine” (For All the Saints)

Hymn by William W. How; music by Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. by Earl Rosenberg.
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* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

* Responding in Peace (CONGR 425, vv. 1–2)

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

Children’s Sermon

New Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
Ephesians 1.15–23

Remembering Our Saints

Matthew Johnston Carolyn Carlson Paul Stevens Elva Templeton
Janice Pattinson Dottie Nordlund Rosa Lee Newton Millie Averitt
Bev Spring Mary Ann Williams

Hymn of Response (CONGR 267)

“Blest Be the Tie”
DENNIS

SHARING OURSELVES IN PRAYER

Hearing our Joys and Concerns

Unison Discipline of Confession

God of the covenant, who calls all people to reconciliation, you have made us members of the very body of Christ; yet we persist in wounding that body with our divisions, our suspicions, and our neglect. Forgive us, and teach us to nurture unity and peace.

Discipline of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

In the great compassion of our God, the death and resurrection of Christ Jesus has shown us God's forgiveness for our sins. Therefore, I declare to you the entire forgiveness for all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

RETURNING OUR GIFTS IN GRATITUDE

Sentences of Stewardship

Offertory

“Take My Life, and Let it Be”

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* Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(Those headed to Children's Church may leave now.)

PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH WITH HOPE

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
1 Kings 19.4–10

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Sturtevant
“Faith in Action: Elijah”

CELEBRATING THE TABLE OF GRACE

Call to Communion (CONGR 461)

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

BREAK BREAD

Invitation to the Table

Celebration of the Bread

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

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Celebration of the Cup

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* Hymn of Invitation (CONGR 425, vv. 3–5)

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

* Life of the Church

* Benediction

Postlude

“Hope Eternal”

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The flowers on the altar this morning are given for the greater glory of God.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Sturtevant

Assoc. Pastor for Children, Youth, & Families: Rev. Cristina Adams

Liturgist: Chad Johnston

Chancel Choir Director: Mark Robinson • Organist & Accompanist: Evelyn Falen

Livestream Video Crew: Joanna Gillette, Susan Pauls • Sound: Brandon Gillette

YouTube & Facebook Chat Moderator: Hannes Combest

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Local Church: First Christian Church

American Baptist Churches, USA: Executive Min. Rev. Mark Thompson,

serving the American Baptist Churches of Indiana & Kentucky

International Ministries Global Servants: Laura & Rich Freeman, serving in Turkey

Faith in Action Partner: Kar Woo, Program Director, Artists Helping the Homeless (Douglas Co & KC Metro)

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* In-person worshippers are invited to stand as able

Every member of First Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry.
The following persons have been called by this congregation to empower such ministry:

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