



***GLADE UNITED  
CHURCH OF CHRIST***

**November 6, 2022 10:30 a.m.**

***Welcome Members, Friends, and Visitors!***

***“to experience and share the love of Jesus Christ”***



# Glade

## United Church of Christ

**WE CENTER OURSELVES ON GOD**

*Welcome to a time of Sabbath, rest, and renewal*

**November 6, 2022**

**All Saints Sunday**

Lighting Candles of Remembrance

*(As you enter the sanctuary, if you would like to light a candle in remembrance of someone, please do so before the beginning of the worship service).*

Glade Matters

*Shared moments of information and inspiration about our church family*

Prelude "Cortège"

Marcel Dupré

\*Opening Hymn "For All the Saints"

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### ***Recalling the Saints We Have Known***

A Litany of Praise for All the Saints Created/Adapted by-Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell

L: For the great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us,

**P: We give you thanks, O God, for their faith.**

L: For the faithful who stayed true to the end,

**P: We give you thanks, O God, for their courage.**

L: For the mothers and grandmothers, aunts and uncles, fathers and grandfathers, Sunday School teachers and pastors, coaches and instructors who helped mold and shape us,

**P: We give you thanks, O God, for their wisdom.**

L: For our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who calls the faithful home,

**P: We give you thanks, O God, for our eternal life with you. Amen.**

Reading of the Names & Lighting of Candles of Remembrance

\*Call to Worship

**God has invited us to live faithfully in this life and to be transformed for life to come. God has invited us to be loving participants in this world and to live in joyful anticipation of eternity. In life, in death, in life to come, we are God's people. Let us worship and praise God together.**

**Invocation**

Living God of past and future, we praise you for this present moment. Fill us with your joy and empower us with your Holy Spirit, that our strength may be renewed to sing a new song of your glory in a world which longs for your justice and peace. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, in whom we become your new creation. Amen

**Litany of Confession**

L: When we do not listen to your voice in the depths of our own hearts, calling us to love and forgive:

**P: Lord have mercy.**

L: When we do not listen to your voice in our common life, calling us to welcome the stranger and create community:

**P: Christ have mercy.**

L: When we do not listen to your voice in our world, calling us to work for justice and to make peace:

**P: Lord have mercy.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

L: The Word is very near to us, in our hearts and on our lips. In Christ, we are forgiven; our lives are made new, and our future of hope is restored.

**P: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Scripture Readings: Psalm 98; II Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38

L: The Word of God, for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God!**

Anthem "*Thanksgiving!*"

John Ness Beck

Sermon "*Tough Questions*"

Rev. Esther Ziegler

\*Hymn "*I'm Pressing On the Upward Way*"

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Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray...

Prayer

The Prayer Jesus Taught Us

***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.***

Stewardship moment

Shannon Jordre

Invitation to the Offering

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for and the conviction of things not seen. But if we look around us we can see that we have been given blessings too many to count. Let us give generously and joyfully to the work of God's church in the world.

Offertory “*For All the Saints*”

Richard Proulx

*A time of meditation and reflection on the many gifts we have received from God and the gifts of our time, talents, and resources that we offer in return. Your offering can be placed in the plate at the back of the sanctuary.*

\*Doxology

### SERVICE OF COMMUNION

#### Invitation

L: God be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**P: We lift them to God.**

L: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

**P: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing...with your faithful people everywhere to glorify you:

\*Seraphic Hymn “*Holy, Holy, Holy*”

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L: On the night of your betrayal...we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**P: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

#### Sharing the Elements

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**We give you thanks for your presence at this table. By the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us faithful to your will. Whether we are gathered or scattered, may we be the servant church of the servant Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn “*I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*”

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#### Benediction

May the God of challenges call us to minister with renewed purpose and drive. May the God of surprises bring smiles and joys to the everyday and ordinary. May the God of love be seen in all we do and say. Go forth refreshed and rejoicing, for God’s power of resurrection continues within us. Amen

Postlude “*Chaconne*”

Louis Couperin

\*Please stand as able in body or spirit

#### Worship Participants

<b>Guest Pastor:</b>	Rev. Esther Ziegler
<b>Music Director:</b>	Dr. William Powell, III
<b>Lay Reader:</b>	Irene Weddle



This is the day the Lord has made, let us be thankful and glad. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts and let us be gracious.

The flowers on the altar are given to honor those in our lives now, those that have passed on before us, and for those we are waiting to meet in our future.

Given by Shannon and Lisa Jordre

Welcome back and Thank You to Rev. Esther Ziegler for providing worship and Communion for us today.



## The Second Mile Giving for November Strengthen the Church

The Strengthen the Church offering supports the expansion of ministry and growth of UCC local congregations. Your support of this offering will help the UCC fulfill on its commitment to creating a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the emerging needs of local communities.

As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults.



## **Poinsettia orders due** **NEXT Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**



Don't forget to order your Christmas Poinsettia. Orders are due in the office no later than **NEXT Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**. There is an order form in the back of the latest issue of Glade Tidings on page 31, as well as on the back table in the sanctuary. You can mail or drop your order off at the church office, or place in the box that is on the table in the back of the church.

The poinsettia's decorate our altar during the Christmas season, please consider placing one for your loved ones during this time.

# HOMECOMING *Sunday*

**Sunday  
November 13<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for a homecoming celebration NEXT Sunday, November 13th. Invite those we haven't seen in a while for worship and a potluck to follow. A great time to reconnect with friends.



**THANK  
OFFERING**

**Sunday  
November 20<sup>th</sup>**

Sunday, November 20th we will once again have our Thank-offering service. This year we are very pleased to have Diane Flickinger as our guest speaker for the day.

## **Community Table Formerly Soup Kitchen Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

We will be supporting the Community Table formerly the Soup Kitchen on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. We will be preparing our usual ham, mac & cheese, salad and desert .

We will need your support as always for donations and to prepare and serve the food. Please consider donating your time on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> There is a sign up sheet for donations on the table in the back of the sanctuary.



**Offering counters for November  
Adriane Wodey & Bob Watson**

**Articles for the Dec. & Jan. issue of the  
Glade Tidings are due in the office  
NEXT Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.**

## Mitten Tree

The mittens are on the tree for the Glade Valley Community Services Holiday Toy Shoppe. Please stop by and choose one or two mittens. **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT** for all items to be unwrapped and returned to Glade UCC no later than **Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**. We will be delivering the gifts to St. Timothy's Catholic Church. Help make a child in our community have a nice Christmas with the gifts we provide to GVCS.



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**The church office will be closed on Tuesday, November 8th.**

Sun., November 6	ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 3:30 p.m. LDM, sanctuary, classrooms, nursery
Mon., November 7	8:00 a.m. FEC Homeschool Co-Op, SH, FS, Classrooms 7:00 p.m. 4-H meeting (SH & SS Rooms)
Tue., November 8	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Wed., November 9	8:00 a.m. FEC Homeschool Co-Op, SH, FS, Classrooms 6:45 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice (SH) 7:45 p.m. Senior Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
Thur., November 10	6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop Meeting (Classrooms)
Fri., November 11	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Sun., November 13	HOMECOMING SUNDAY 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:30 a.m. Potluck lunch in SH 3:30 p.m. LDM, sanctuary, classrooms, nursery

# In Remembrance of Me

based on Mark 6:30-44

**Rev. Phiwa Langeni** (they/them/theirs)

*Ambassador for Innovation & Engagement*

*Center for Analytics, Research & Development, and Data (CARDD), UCC*

**W**henever we celebrate communion, we share tidbits about the last meal Jesus had with his friends. After breaking the bread and pouring the cup, Jesus tells his friends to eat and drink “in remembrance of me.” And that’s what we do whenever we share in that sacred meal these 2,000+ years later.

My remembrances have typically included the post-supper betrayal and drawn-out drama leading to Jesus’ death as well as the resurrection and joyous reunion with his friends. Recently, I’ve come to recognize a tiny-yet-crucial logical error that being on this side of history facilitated. My recollections include happenings that hadn’t yet occurred when Jesus invited his friends to remember.

It’s more likely that Jesus wanted them to remember moments like they had with the crowd of 5,000+ people. As Jesus generously gave of himself to fill their spiritual hunger, their physical hunger kicked in. Understandably, the disciples could only see scarcity with their few resources against this large logistical nightmare.

Jesus, however, saw abundance. He chose generosity fueled by innovative thinking and actions. He invited them to consider what was already available and reconfigure their structure to make the miraculous (re)distribution of food possible so that everyone could eat satisfyingly and have leftovers. That’s what the disciples would’ve remembered.

Anytime we approach the sacred meal, let Jesus’ generosity also flood our remembrances of him so that our very lives might also be transformed and inspired to innovate our thinking and actions. Indeed, there is enough and so much more for all of us!