



Old First Presbyterian Church

All Saints' Sunday, November 3, 2024

Worship Through Praising God

Easy-to-use earphones to assist with hearing are available from the ushers.

Please fill out a guest card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

Silence is requested as we prepare our hearts for worship.

** At the asterisk, please rise in body or spirit.*

Prelude Two Works Titled "Elegy"

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

**Welcome and
Church Life**

**Remembering
the Saints**

See insert.

Introit

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

William Walsham How (1823-1897)

***Call to Worship**

Randy Smith

Leader We gather, with the company of the faithful:
People **those who know the way to the kingdom
and those who are just beginning their pilgrimage.**

Leader We gather, remembering the ones we call saints:
People **those who made compassion their day job,
and those who have no day named after them.**

Leader We gather, praising God for all who have shaped our faith:
People **those who showed us the dance steps of heaven,
and those who taught us to play the instruments of joy.**

***Hymn 326 For all the Saints**

- 1 **For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
- 2 **Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight:
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Choir Alone O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 4 **And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
- 5 **From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Stewardship
Moment**

God is Still Writing Our Story Through Welcome

Virginia Webb Pekelnicky

Prayer of
Confession

Randy Smith

Beloved God,
you were known to our mothers and fathers,
and as well to our spiritual forebears,
have mercy on us.
We do not always love, as you would have us love.
We do not always do, as you would have us do.
In our stubbornness,
we turn from you when we should turn toward you.
Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.

Silence is kept.

Hold us, dear One,
comfort us when we mourn the death of friends and family,
and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence.
We praise you for the grace you shower on us,
constantly forgiving our errors,
especially those errors we share with no one but you. Amen.

*Assurance of
Forgiveness

Leader

Friends, hear the good news!
Though thousands upon thousands of our ancestors
did not follow God's ways perfectly, we have hope in the one who did!
Jesus, a man of a particular people in a particular time,
taught through his words and deeds that God has already forgiven us.
Thus, we and all who have come before us are rightly known as saints—
the holy ones of God!

People

Thanks be to God
for God's mercy, grace, and love!

*Hymn 586

Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

The image shows a musical score for Hymn 586. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The time signature is 3/4. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia." The melody is simple and repetitive, with the lyrics written below the notes. The bass line provides a steady accompaniment.

Offering *Ushers will now receive the offering. You may also make your offering electronically using the QR-code at the right.*



Anthem

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

Justorum animae in manu Dei sunt, *The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God,*
Et non tanget illos tormentum malitiae: *And the torment of evil will not touch them:*
Visi sunt oculis insipientium mori, *They were seen to die by the eyes of fools,*
Illi autem sunt in pace. *but they are at peace.*

From the Latin Mass for All Saints' Day

***Hymn 609**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Time with
Our Children**

***The Peace**

Leader Peace be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Worship Through Hearing God's Word

**Prayers of
the People**

Pastor Henderson

Prayer Partners Chloe Pollock, Phil Pollock, Spencer Pollock, Glen Potter, Dortha Reade,
Linda Reyder, AnnieScott Rogers, Mary Russell

**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 and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

Scripture

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Ephesians 1:11-23

Leader For the Word of God in scripture,
For the Word of God within us,
For the Word of God among us,

People **Thanks be to God.**

Creed We believe in God,
 who brought forth light from chaos and darkness.
 We believe in Jesus,
 who faced the darkness of the grave
 and rose from death to life and glory.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit,
 who walks with us in darkness and light.
 We believe that we are surrounded always
 by a great company of saints and angels.
 We believe that we are called
 to share and proclaim the justice and wonder of God.
 Amen.

Worship Through Responding to God's Word

*Hymn	When the Saints Go Marching In	Traditional Black Spiritual Kirsten Fleischmann, alto Sergey Khalikulov, bass
1 All	O when the sun it doesn't shine, O when the sun it doesn't shine, Dear Lord, I want to be in that number, When the sun it doesn't shine.	
Refrain All	O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in, Dear Lord I want to be in that number, When the saints go marching in.	
2 Solo	O when the moon turns into blood, O when the moon turns into blood, Dear Lord, I want to be in that number When the moon turns into blood.	
Refrain All	O when the saints go marching in...	
3 All	O when we crown Him King of kings, O when we crown Him King of kings, Dear Lord I want to be in that number When we crown Him King of kings.	
Refrain All	O when the saints go marching in...	
4 Solo	O when they gather 'round the throne, O when they gather 'round the throne, Dear Lord I want to be in that number When they gather 'round the throne	
Refrain All	O when the saints go marching in...	

5 All O while the happy ages roll,
O while the happy ages roll,
Dear Lord I want to be in that number
While the happy ages roll.

Refrain All O when the saints go marching in...

6 Choir Only O when the saints go marching in,
O when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in the number
When the saints go marching in.
O when the saints go marching in...

***Charge and
Benediction**

Choir

Freylinghausen's *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704

Yours the scepter, yours the throne;
you to us are God alone.
Vast the mercies to us giv'n:
wealth of earth, and joy of heaven.

Michael Morgan (born 1948)

Postlude

March in B-flat Major

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

You may depart or stay to listen to the postlude as you wish.

However, do please join us in the fellowship hall downstairs for coffee hour.

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The Reverend Maggi Henderson	Pastor
The Reverend Erwin C. Barron	Parish Associate
Larry Marietta	Music Director
Jarron Carlson	Composer-in-Residence
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Today's Creed

Today's creed is by Ruth Burgess and was published in *Candles and Conifers*, from Wild Goose Publishing.

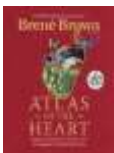
Visit Our Columbarium Today

Old First's columbarium will be open for visitation immediately after worship today. All are invited to enter, to read the names inscribed there, to pray, to reflect, and to give thanks for the lives of those who have gone before us in our church.

Today's Coffee Hour

Betty Voris has given today's coffee hour in honor of Chris and Cindy Burt, with thanks for their endless contributions to the life of Old First, their friendship, and their assistance.

Next Book Discussion Session, Tomorrow



The next session of our new book discussion of Brené Brown's *Atlas of the Heart: Mapping Meaningful Connections and Language of the Human Heart* will take place via Zoom on Monday, November 4, at 7:00 pm. At this session we'll cover **Chapter 10 "Places We Go When the Heart is Open."** Newcomers are always welcome!

If you've downloaded the Zoom App, use Meeting ID: 817 4408 7981 and Passcode: 460421. If not, simply click on the web address below or enter it into your computer's browser. A live link to this web address also appears in Maggi's weekly Saturday E-mail.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81744087981?pwd=TVVOUVptVldlMll1T2VlFQ2ZMMW10QT09>

Open Sanctuary on Election Day, Tuesday: Sign Up Today


Our sanctuary will be open on Election Day, this Tuesday, November 5, from 12:00 noon to 8:00 pm for reflection, peace, and calm for our congregation and the whole the community. There will be a mix of music, silence, and guided prayer open to all who enter this sacred space. Please join us and invite your friends and neighbors.

Moreover, **we need volunteers** who will sit in the sanctuary during these hours as well as musicians. Please look for the **sign-up sheet on the bulletin board** outside the Munro Room. There are still time-slots available: Sign up today!

Coffee Hour

Would you like to support our life together by sponsoring Sunday coffee hour? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Sacramento Street lobby. Choose a date, add your name and dedication to appear in the bulletin, and then make your contribution of \$50 by check or by using the QR-code to the right.





Memorial Service in Celebration of
HUGH THACHER

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 6, 2024

OLD FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1751 Sacramento Street
San Francisco, CA 94109
3:30 pm PT

RECEPTION at JULIA MORGAN BALLROOM
465 California Street
San Francisco, CA 94104
5:30-8:30pm PT

RSVP at the link below by November 15

www.hughthachermemorial.com
password: goyankees!

On Friday, December 6, at 3:30 pm we will hold a memorial service at Old First Presbyterian Church for our member Hugh Thacher, who died this past July.

A reception will follow at 5:30 pm at the Julia Morgan Ballroom, 465 California Street. If you plan to attend the reception a response is requested by November 15. To do respond, visit the website www.hughthachermemorial.com and use the password: goyankees!

This Week at Old First

	Sunday	November 3, All Saints' Sunday
	After Worship	Coffee Hour
	4:00 pm	O1C: Orphic Percussion
	7:15 pm	AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall
	Monday	November 4
	7:00 pm	Book Discussion Group, On-Line
	Tuesday	November 5, Election Day
	8:00 am to 8:00 pm	Consolidated Presidential General Election, Precinct 7319, Ground Floor
12:00 noon to 8:00 pm		Open Sanctuary
	Saturday	November 9
	9:00 am	Interfaith Food Pantry
	Sunday	November 10
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 am	Worship
	After Worship	Coffee Hour
	2:00 pm	Board of Deacons, On-Line
	4:00 pm	O1C: Lynn Schugren, piano
	7:15 pm	AA Friendly Circle, Fellowship Hall