RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost | All Saints' Sunday

November 7, 2021

As we gather together for worship, please pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.

Quiet your mind, listen to the music, and prepare to worship God.

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Ella Glaze and Ben Blanchard, Acolytes

Voluntaries

George Thalben-Ball Louis Vierne

Dr. Robert Gallagher, organ

Elegy

Épitaphe

*Processional Hymn 526

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

- 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!
- 3. O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle; they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. 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!
- 4. 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!

*Call to Worship Rev. Anna Perry Miller

For teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.

Together we remember and give thanks!

For musicians; singers and instrumentalists, all who sang and played your praises.

Together we remember and give thanks!

For preachers and worship leaders who proclaimed your Word in our worship over the years.

Together we remember and give thanks!

For parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, sisters, and brothers who sat with us on Sundays and lived out their faith all week long.

Together we remember and give thanks!

For our church families—this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith family.

Together we remember and give thanks!

For our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today. For our sisters and brothers in the faith whose names are remembered only by God.

Together we remember and give thanks!

—Adapted from Rev. Susannah DeBenedetto

Welcome, Invocation, and Our 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 trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Music: N. Herman, Arr. Henry G. Ley

Text: Rowland Hill

- 1. Lo, round the throne, a glorious band, the saints in countless myriads stand, of every tongue redeemed to God, arrayed in garments washed in blood. Hallelujah!
- 3. They see their Saviour face to face, and sing the triumphs of his grace; him day and night they ceaseless praise, to him the loud thanksgiving rise: Hallelujah!
- Through tribulation great they came; they bore the cross, despised the shame; from all their labors now they rest, in God's eternal glory blest. Hallelujah!
- 4. 'Worthy the Lamb, for sinners slain, through endless years to live and reign; thou hast redeemed us by thy blood, and made us kings and priests to God. Hallelujah!
- 5. O may we tread the sacred road that saints and holy martyrs trod; wage to the end the glorious strife, and win, like them, a crown of life. Hallelujah!

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 25:6-9 Mark Cipolletti

O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

New Testament Lesson

Revelation 21:1-6a

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

The Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri Hymn 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be World without end. Amen.

*Gospel Lesson

John 11:32-36

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

The Gospel of our Lord; Praise be to you, O Christ.

Anthem The Road Home Stephen Paulus

Tell me, where is the road I can call my own,
That I left, that I lost
So long ago?
All these years I have wandered,
Oh when will I know
There's a way, there's a road

That will lead me home?

In Memoriam

After wind, after rain, When the dark is done, As I wake from a dream In the gold of day, Through the air there's a calling From far away,

There's a voice I can hear That will lead me home.

Chancel Choir and River Road Camerata

Rise up, follow me, Come away, is the call, With the love in your heart As the only song; There is no such beauty As where you belong; Rise up, follow me, I will lead you home.

I am the resurrection and the life.

- John 11:25

Jean Eubank 11/18/2020 Ruth Tanner 12/21/2020

Ellis Cunningham 12/27/2020

Lee Schaffer 2/11/2021

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Doris Curtis 3/2/2021

Barbara Kinsey 3/26/2021

Barry Harmon 4/1/2021

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Bob Messick 4/9/2021

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Bea Tyler 6/19/2021

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Alice Blanton 6/20/2021

Norman Milligan 6/27/2021

June Lane 7/2/2021

Richard Manson 8/14/2021

Wallace Chandler 8/25/2021

Beverly K. Austin 10/5/2021

Sue Strother 10/11/2021

*Hymn of Devotion 145

Rejoice, ye pure in heart!
 Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
 Your festal banner wave on high,

the cross of Christ your King.

3. At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. (Refrain)

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! 2. Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go,

from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe: (Refrain)

4. Then on, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King. (Refrain)

*Offertory Sentences and Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children in grades 1-3 may meet Mrs. Sandy Rooney at the front of the Sanctuary, on the pulpit side, to continue worship in the Chapel.

Sermon Death Will Be No More Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

OLD HUNDREDTH

MARION

Pie Jesu, Pious Jesus,

Qui tollis peccata mundi, Who takes away the sins of the world,

Dona eis requiem. Give them rest.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, Who takes away the sins of the world,

Lamb of God,

Dona eis requiem, Give them rest,
Sempiternam Everlasting
Requiem. Rest.

Emelia Roberts and Eleanor Roberts, soloists River Road Camerata

Celebration of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon The Blessing and Giving of the Bread and Cup

Agnus Dei,

Time of Reflection and Response

Take a moment to consider how the Spirit is leading you to respond to worship and the Word proclaimed this day. If you desire to follow Christ as a disciple, or if you desire to become a member of River Road Church, you are invited to come forward to the chancel steps at this time, and our pastor will meet you.

*Recessional Hymn 210

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

- 1. Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:
 - 4. Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
- 2. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.
- 3. A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.
- 5. Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.

*Benediction Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Voluntary Placare Christe Servulis (Latin hymn for All Saints')

Marcel Dupré

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Robert P. Gallagher, D.M.A., Minister of Music

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The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of the departed members of River Road Church, Baptist.

We welcome new members David and Cecilia Elliott who joined our church family on October 31, 2021. We look forward to ministering alongside you!

We are grateful for your continued generosity to God through our church ministry. You may give securely online at *rrcb.org/give-online* or by mailing a check. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Wednesday Night Family Supper & Fellowship—Wednesday, November 10, 6:00-7:15 p.m., Plaza

Supper, 6:00-6:50 p.m.

Menu: 5-Spice Pork Loin OR Roasted Corn Cakes; Creamy Whipped Roots; Cranberry Walnut Rice

Kids Entrée: Mini Burgers and Fries

Dinner reservations are required by noon on Monday, November 8. Please make your reservation and select your dinner

entrée by filling out the form at *rrcb.org/supper* or by calling the church office.

Costs: \$9/adults and youth (6th grade and up), \$5 children (5th grade and younger), \$25/household max

Prayers in the Community: 7:00-7:15 p.m.

Sunday School Classes are meeting. To find the details of when and where your class is meeting, please contact your class leader or teacher. If you are interested in joining a Sunday School class, please contact a member of our pastoral staff, Rev. Anna Perry Miller (adults), Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram (youth), or Mrs. Sandy Rooney (children).

For more information about the events listed on the calendar and more, please read the *e-Spire* (emailed on Tuesdays), or visit *rrcb.org/connect*.

Sun, Nov 7 Worship, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and rrcb.org/live

First Sunday Food Share, 12:00 p.m., North Parking Lot

Children's Choirs, 3:45 p.m., Courtyard Bell Choir Rehearsal, 4:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Children's Activity: Missions and More, 4:15 p.m., Playground

River Road Camerata, 4:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room

Youth Choir, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Youth Snack Supper and Youth Group, 5:45 p.m., Plaza **Board of Missions**, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)

Mon, Nov 8 Women's Bible Study: Joyful Hearts, 9:30 a.m., LC 102 (Zoom option available)

Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room

Watercolor Class, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Finance Committee, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)

Tues, Nov 9 Young Adult Gathering, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)

Wed, Nov 10 Men's Group: The Huddle, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room

Wednesday Night Supper, 6:00 p.m., Plaza Prayers in the Community, 7:00 p.m., Plaza

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room

Thurs, Nov 11 **FIXERS**, 8:30 a.m., Plaza

Sat, Nov 13 Youth Fall Retreat, Offsite