



North Decatur Presbyterian Church is called by God to be a community of faith and worship, dedicated to Christian education and nurture so that we may go into the world to serve, work for peace and justice, and share God's love with all people.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

ORDINARY TIME

November 1st, 2026, All Saints Day

11:00 AM

*An * means we rise together in body or spirit; **bold text** words are spoken in unison.*

PREPARATION & ADORATION

PRELUDE

Resignation

arr. Joseph Martin

CHIMES

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Anita Brown, liturgist

God, you only are immortal, the creator and maker of all.

**We are mortal, formed of the earth,
and to earth shall we return.**

This you ordained when you created us, saying,

"You are dust,
and to dust you shall return."

**All of us go down to the dust;
yet even at the grave we make our song:**

(sung) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

You give rest, O Christ, to all your saints,
**where there is neither pain nor sorrow nor sighing,
but life everlasting.**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior,
we have commended those whom we love.

**You receive them,
sheep of your own fold,
lambs of your own flock,
children of your own redeeming.**

You receive them, as you will one day receive us:

**into the arms of your mercy,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and into the glorious company of the saints in light.**

(sung) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

* LITANY OF NAMES & PROCESSION OF THE ALL SAINTS BANNER

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

-Romans 14:7-8

Joan Edgerton
John Hollender
Mary Alice Kemp
Dean Morley

Carl Parlato
Anne Sayre
James Tomlinson

* PROCESSIONAL SONG

For All the Saints

Glory to God #326

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitors are invited to leave your name and contact information by signing the Welcome Pad.

MEDITATION

The church is catholic, universal, so are all her actions; all that she does belongs to all. When she baptizes a child, that action concerns me; for that child is thereby connected to that body which is my head too and ingrafted into that body whereof I am a member. And when the church buries a person, that action concerns me. All of humanity is of one author, and is one volume; when one [person] dies, one chapter is not torn out of the book, but translated into a better language; and every chapter must be so translated. God employs several translators; some pieces are translated by age, some by sickness, some by war, some by justice; but the Lord's hand is in every translation, and God's hand shall bind up all our scattered leaves again for that library where every book shall lie open to one another.

As therefore the bell that rings to a sermon calls not upon the preacher only but upon the congregation to come, so this bell calls us all.... No one is an island entire of itself; everyone is a piece of the continent, a part of the main. If a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as well as if a plot of land of thy friend's or of thine own were. Anyone's death diminishes me, because I am involved in humankind, and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee.

-“For Whom the Bell Tolls,” by John Donne
Meditation XVII of *Devotions upon Emergent Occasions*

SILENCE

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

May the nourishment of the earth be yours,

May the clarity of light be yours,

May the fluency of the ocean be yours,

May the fullness of time be yours.

May communion with the saints be yours.

May the peace of the Risen Christ be with all!

* GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God #582

* PASSING THE PEACE

Share a sign of peace by learning “Peace be with you” in American Sign Language; or, if you choose, shake hands or offer a warm embrace to the Beloveds of God who are seated near you.

Children 4 yrs. through 2nd grade are invited to leave now with leaders for our child-centered worship time; they will return for Communion. Children may also remain with their family; they may use our worship bags located in the Narthex or go out at any time to visit the Children's Corner in the narthex to find a quiet activity.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

SERMON

All Saints

Rev. David Lewicki

DEDICATION

ANTHEM

Let My Love Be Heard
NDPC Community Choir

Jake Runestad
Lyrics by Alfred Noyes

Angels, where you soar Up to God's own light,
Take my own lost bird
On your hearts tonight;
And as grief once more
Mounts to heaven and sings,
Let my love be heard
Whispering in your wings.

INVITATION TO FOLLOW JESUS

The Change-for-Change offering in November supports the Decatur Emergency Assistance Ministry (DEAM) and the Toco Hills Community Alliance. DEAM and THCA are our community's two providers of emergency food assistance. Learn more at www.deamdecatur.org and www.tocohillsalliance.org.

To give by text, text 'NDPC C4C' \$20 (or any amount) to 73256. You may also **use the QR Code**. Scan the code, enter the amount of your gift, and in the dropdown menu called "Fund," find "Change for Change." **To give cash**, leave an offering in the plate on your way out today. Thank you for supporting the healing of the world in the name of God.



COMMUNION

Everyone who seeks to know God is welcome to receive Communion at NDPC.

INVITATION

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest (x3).

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest (x3).**

**Christ has died, Christ is Risen, Christ will come again.
Hosanna in the highest (x3).**

GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER *(use these or the words that are close to your heart)*

Our [Divine Parent] in heaven, holy is your name, your kin-dom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen (sung).

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

We share Communion by intinction. Come forward, take a piece of bread, and dip it into the cup. The bread is gluten-free, the cup is juice. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, come forward to a pastor and place your hands over your heart. If you prefer to receive communion in your seat, notify the communion server who will bring the elements to you.

SONG DURING COMMUNION

I Come with Joy

Glory to God #515

* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* CLOSING SONG

Hymn of Promise

Glory to God #250

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

We invite you to remain and enjoy the postlude. If you must leave, please do so quietly.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on Sine Nomine

Huu Mai

NOTES ON WORSHIP TODAY:

Today's Images in Worship:

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WELCOME, VISITORS

We're happy you've joined us! It takes courage to show up at a new church. Introduce yourself to those around you as you feel comfortable. If you share your email address in the red Welcome Pad, we will send you the weekly NDPC e-newsletter. Learn more about NDPC at **www.ndpc.org**. We come from different backgrounds, traditions, and cultures to worship, so please use language and pronouns for God and for yourself that are authentic to you. After worship, the pastors would love to meet you in person. Curious about becoming a member of NDPC? Send an email to engagement@ndpc.org.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Children are welcome in worship at NDPC. The nursery, located off the hallway just outside the sanctuary, is open for ages 0-3. Kids PreK-1st grade are welcome to go to the kids' gathering after the passing of the peace or remain with their families in worship. The presence of children here is a gift, never a disruption. Questions about kids and families at NDPC? Email kristin@ndpc.org.

Would a large print hymnal, magnifying glass, or hearing assist device help you worship? Ask an usher and they will gladly assist you. Let us know how we can make worship accessible for you.

If you would like to volunteer to serve as an usher or liturgist, donate flowers, or share comments about worship, email worship@ndpc.org.

Videos of previous worship services are available at ndpc.org. **Subscribe to our sermon podcast** through any major podcasting service.

Revs. David Lewicki and Mary Anona Stoops are available to meet for pastoral care. Pastoral care is confidential and can be held in-person or virtually. Email david@ndpc.org or maryanona@ndpc.org.

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