



Chester Bethel UMC

Nov. 1, 2026

9:30 AM

Sharing in Worship Leadership this morning:

Preacher: Rev. Kelly Conner
Organist: Carmella Lynch
Special Music: Paul Wilson
Greeter: Dora Greer
Usher: Carol Williamson
Worship Leader: Sylvia Illuzzi

*Flowers are dedicated
in loving memory of
Roberta,
by Bob and Carol Williamson*

Prayer Joys and Concerns:

H=Health; L=Loss; LT=Long Term; O=Other

John Renshaw (LT); Norma Saulsbury (H); Sandra Greer (H);
McFarlan Family (L); Sam (H); Janet Canavan (LT); Linda Lyons (H);
Bill and Doreen Jones (H); Ramona Harlow (LT); Donna McCormick
(H); Gail Kracyla (H); Dominic King (LT); Jill Brownback (LT);
Nancy Walker (LT); MaryAnn Rumford (LT); Rick Browne (LT); all
peoples impacted by war (LT)

Please add prayer requests and updates to the list in the Narthex



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November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday

9:30 AM

Announcements

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Leader: On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.

People: **We give thanks!**

Leader: We remember choir members, praise bands, organists, and all the musicians who sang and played your praises.

People: **We give thanks!**

Leader: We remember preachers and lay leaders who led our worship through the years.

People: **We give thanks!**

Leader: We remember parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.

People: **We give thanks!**

Leader: We remember our church families – this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith family with whom we grew our faith and our love for God and neighbor.

People: **We give thanks!**

Leader: We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today.

All: **We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present here with us, and will continue after us. Thanks be to God!**

*OPENING HYMN – “For All the Saints” vv. 1-4 UMH #711

OPENING PRAYER

- The **Missions** Committee has chosen the following three charities for your financial mission giving from July through December 2026:

Camp Pecometh
Sojourner's Place
CBUMC Good Samaritan Fund

- We are starting a **Thanksgiving Food Drive**, beginning today, joining with Preschool families and CB Thrift Shop. Please bring shelf stable foods or donate money so we can purchase turkeys, butter, and milk for our hungry neighbors.
- We are so thankful to Bill and Laura White and their family for all the work they put into the **Trunk or Treat** this past Saturday. Hay rides, grilling, hot dogs and much more—thank you!!

Dates To Remember

November 1- Dec 6 –Thanksgiving Food Drive

3 –Election Day

3&5 – Bible Study; “Flame”

19 –Single Board Meeting at 6 PM

10&12- Conclusion of Bible Study

29 – Fifth Sunday joint worship and fellowship at Mt. Lebanon

¹ Adapted from Rev. Susannah DeBenedetto and posted on LiturgyLink, <https://www.liturgylink.net/2014/10/29/all-saints-litany/>.

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves to others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN – “Sing With All the Saints in Glory” #UMH 702

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* *Rising in body or in spirit*

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Thank you!



Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.²

SPECIAL MUSIC

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Since we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth, make us hunger for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.³

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 34:1-10
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5:1-12

ALL SAINTS MEDITATION Poem by Kenneth G. Phifer

LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR OUR SAINTS⁴

Leader: We remember the great ancestors of our faith, from Abraham and Sarah, to Paul and Phoebe:

People: **Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.**

Leader: We remember the prophets and priests, the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God:

People: **Teachers of the faith, we remember you.**

Leader: We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, those who have gone before us in our lifetime:

People: **Family of our faith, we remember you.**

Leader: We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives and parents whose lives ended too soon:

People: **Those close in our heart, we remember you.**

Leader: We lift up to You, O God, the names of those we have lost in

² From the *Episcopalian Book of Common Prayer*.

³ <https://www.caldwellpresby.org/docs/resources/Prayers%20for%20Illumination.pdf>

⁴ Adapted from original: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/10/litany-for-all-saints-worship.html>.

this past year from our lives, knowing that they are with Your heart forever. As we read these names, we will pause after every name to remember, pray, and give thanks for each beloved life.

Phyllis King
Jean Andrews
Cathie Barrett Taylor

Enya Horler
Carol Holland
Dee McCormick

**A candle is lit and a chime is played for each person, leaving 1 candle unlit*

In addition, O God, we honor the memory of those who have graced our lives at other times and in other ways - those whose names we lift up before you in our hearts now. In particular, we lift up before you with gratitude and thanksgiving:

**All are invited to name their loved ones aloud as the candle is lit*

Leader: For all the saints who from their labors rest, we praise
You, O God!

All: **Family of God, we remember you, and we honor you. We know you are with us in the spirit of worship, and you will not be forgotten.**

Leader: We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ, and know that in our grief and celebration, O God, you are with us through it all, and we are not left alone. In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray.

All: **Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

*HYMN OF RESPONSE – “Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above”
UMH #709

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You may place your cash or check offering into the plates we pass

around at this time or mail your tithes and offerings to the church office. Thank you for working as Christ’s hands and feet in the world!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him, the source of all our gifts; praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

INVITATION TO THE HOLY COMMUNION TABLE
CONFESSION AND PARDON⁵

Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even 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. Hold us, Father: comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your eternal presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us as you constantly forgive our errors – especially the ones that we don’t share with anyone but you. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
THE LORD’S PRAYER

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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.

BREAKING THE BREAD
GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP
PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

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⁵ Adapted from original written by Rev. Lucas Keppel: re-posted on the *re:Worship* blog at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2017/10/all-saints-prayer-of-confession.html>.