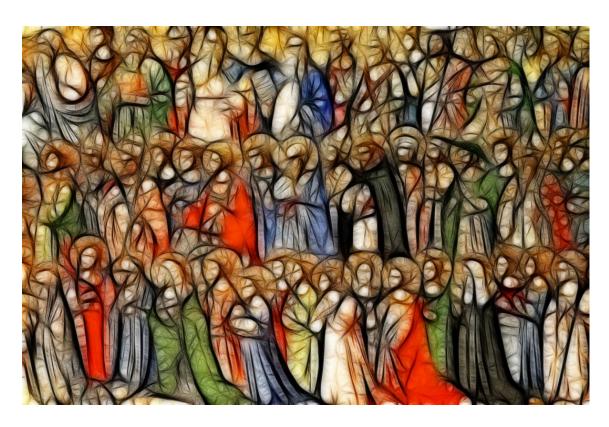


GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI



All Saints Service of Remembrance

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
October 29, 2023
The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday
11:00 a.m.

Large Print Hymnals, Bibles, and Hearing Devices are available in the back of the sanctuary.

At the end of the service, please return these to the back table.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

The time to begin preparing for worship is no later than the sounding of the chimes.

*The congregation is invited to stand.

**Seating of those arriving after worship has begun.

CHIMING

PRELUDE A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Martin Luther/arr. Diane Bish

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 90:1-6, 13-14 Dr. Andrew Chaney

One: "LORD, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains where brough forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

All: You turn us back to dust, and say, 'Turn back, you mortals.' For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.

One: You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

All: Turn O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants! Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days."

Let us worship God together!

*HYMN 687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

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CONFESSION OF SIN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, we recognize that we bring our own mistakes, our own selfishness, and our own sin to add to the seemingly unbearable pain of the world. Oh Lord, hear our voices and let your ears be attentive to our cry for mercy—for ourselves and for the world. With you, there is forgiveness. Therefore, we wait in the sure hope of your unfailing love, knowing that you redeem us from all our sins. We pray for your mercy and grace ...

SILENT CONFESSION
DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS
*GLORY BE TO GOD (No. 394, stz. 4)

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Laud and honor to the Father, Laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever three and ever one; One in might and one in glory while unending ages run!

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

EXPRESSIONS OF FELLOWSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP

• Minutes for Stewardship – Rebecca Small

Dr. Andrew Chaney

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Andrew Lott Stainback

^{*}Prayer of Adoration

687 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past



- 5 Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.
- 6 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Administered to

Andrew Lott Stainback

Sunday, October 29, 2023

Son of Andrew and Kelli Stainback

Christian parents have the privilege to present their children for baptism as a sign and seal of God's promise to them as heirs of the covenant. In presenting a child for baptism, parents affirm in public their duty to bring up the child to love and serve God. The congregation, too, promises to surround the child with their love and concern in Christ, that the child may continue in the community of the church, confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and live in God's eternal Kingdom.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE SACRAMENT

Dr. Andrew Chaney

THE QUESTIONS TO THE PARENTS

THE QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION

Elder Timmy Lott III

THE THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Dr. Andrew Chaney

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND PRAYER

THE WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH

THE CHORAL RESPONSE Alleluia, Lullaby

J. Bert Carlson

Sing Alleluia, lullaby. Lulay, lulay, lullaby. Praise our God for this child, praise him now and always, sing Alleluia, lullaby. A child is a gift from the Lord, a sign of God's love for us; we must care for and guide, always love and provide, for this child is a gift from the Lord. Sing Alleluia, lullaby, lulay, lulay, lullaby. Praise our God for this child, praise him now and always, sing Alleluia, lullaby. A child is a sign of great love, God's children share with each other; God showers his love on us from above through this child, a sign of great love. Sing Alleluia, lullaby. Lulay, lulay, lullaby. Praise our gold for this child, praise him now and always, sing Alleluia, lullaby. Sing Alleluia, lullaby.

(After which preschool children may be taken to the nursery in the Education Building)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Romans 3:21-26

SERMON "The Glory of the Reformation" Dr. Andrew Chaney

ALL SAINTS SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

ANTHEM Clouds of Witnesses Robert Hobby

Clouds of witnesses surround us, saints whose heritage we claim. Christ's own love has bought and bound us one with all who bear his name. Here, within this congregation, trusting your strong Word alone, help us build on this foundation: Christ, the living cornerstone. Holy Spirit's fire, falling where your faithful people pray: Fall on us, expectant, calling, gathered in your name today. Come, through word of mystic power; come, through water bread and wine. Gifts of grace upon us shower; Christ's pure light among us shine. Send us where your people languish, lost in depths of sin, despair. Send us where they lie in anguish, wounded, wasted, bowed with care. Lord, your Gospel's Word of freedom let our lives, our lips reveal till the long awaited kingdom comes this broken world to heal. Help us as the saints before us, bear with faithfulness your name, till we join the mighty chorus singing hymns of glad acclaim: Praise the Lamb, once slain, victorious over death forevermore, Father, Spirit, ever glorious, Triune God whom we adore.

RECOGNITION OF THOSE WHO HAVE ENTERED THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Martha Vaughn Jordan

Marion Peteet Howard

December 4, 2022

Julian Earnest "Jack" Johnson III

Barbara Suzanne McIntyre

Patricia Ann Evans

November 30, 2022

June 30, 2023

August 11, 2023

October 22, 2023

*HYMN 326 For All the Saints SINE NOMINE

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Morning Has Broken arr. Charles Callahan

*Doxology, No. 606 OLD 100TH

*Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer Elder Andrew Stainback

*Hymn 275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Ein Feste Burg

*Charge, Benediction and Choral Amen

*Postlude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

arr. Robert Hobby

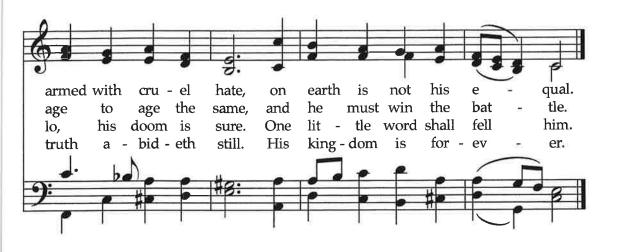


The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.





Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Andrew and Kelli Stainback, and in celebration of the baptism of their son, Andrew Lott Stainback.

The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered today to Andrew Lott Stainback, son of Andrew and Kelli Stainback. The assisting elder is grandfather Timmy Lott.

All Saints Service of Remembrance – Today in this service we will remember those from our congregation who have entered the Church Triumphant since October 30, 2022. Who is a saint? <u>You are</u>. That is if you are a follower of Jesus. God calls a "saint" anyone who trusts in Christ alone for salvation. All Saints Day is a Christian celebration in honor of all the saints from Christian history. The Christian festival of All Saints Day comes from a conviction that there is a spiritual connection between those in Heaven and on Earth. In Protestant tradition, All Saints Day relates to giving God earnest gratitude for the lives and deaths of his saints, remembering those who were well-known and not.

Our thanks to Sully Dubard for helping with candle lighting this morning.

PYF - Pumpkin Carving in the Parish Youth Building this evening at 5:00 p.m.

Noon Bible Study meets this Wednesday, November 1 at 12:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor. Bring your lunch, coffee and water provided by the Church. The Bible study begins at 12:15 p.m., led by Dr. Chaney, and will cover Luke 9:18-27 this week.

Youth Bible Study, Wednesday, November 1, in the Parish Youth Building. Dinner for all youth at 5:30 p.m. Bible study for all at 6:00 p.m.

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, Thursday, November 2, at 6:45 a.m. in the Church Parlor. All men are invited to attend. Dr. Chaney will be leading the study on Luke 9:18-27.

Stewardship News – Each confirmed member of this congregation received a letter from the pastor along with a pledge card and Time & Talent Survey. A Stewardship Q & A will be held next Sunday, November 5, at 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the Session Room with members of the Stewardship and Finance Committee to answer any questions you may have about the Proposed 2024 Church Budget. Please prayerfully fill out your pledge card and Time and Talent Survey to bring to worship next Sunday, November 12, Stewardship Dedication Sunday, when in a time of commitment, we will bring them forward and dedicate them on the communion table. Prayerfully consider how you will support the ministries of FPC in 2024.

Welcome to the Table will be held next Sunday, November 5, at 10:30 a.m. in the Church Parlor. Children who are in the 1st grade, or older children who have not participated before, may gather to learn about the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with Dr. Chaney. They will meet afterwards with the Session.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered next Sunday, November 5, as part of worship. You are encouraged to prepare yourself through prayer, confession, repentance, and meditation.

Classics at First presents Somerset Peede, violist, and Stefan Christie, pianist, in concert on Monday, November 6, at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to support classical musical offerings to our community and these two young artists. Invite friends to join you!

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 29, 2023		Wednesda	Wednesday, November 1, 2023	
9:40 am	Choristers Choir	12:00 pm	Noon Bible Study	
10:00 am	Sunday School	2:30 pm	Liturgy Meeting	
10:30 am	Fellowship Time	5:30 pm	Youth Dinner	
10:30 am	Called Session Meeting	6:00 pm	Youth Bible Study	
11:00 am	Worship/Baptism	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	
5:00 pm	PYF - Pumpkin Carving	Thursday	November 2 2022	

Thursday, November 2, 2023
6:45 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

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LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Andrew Chaney, Pastor Rev. Ray Smithee, Director of Music & Organist