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Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

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ALL SOULS' DAY

Gathering

Come, Now is the Time to Worship

By Brian Doerksen (adapted Gary Barmore)

Come, now is the time to worship;
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come just as you are to worship;
Come just as you before your God.
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Ev'ry day we live in the light of God's love,
Ev'ry day we walk by faith.
Now we're here to open our hearts once more,
Now we give thanks for grace.

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Singing

This Little Light

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine!

Christ's among us, shining bright, (with)
Hearts so full of love and light. (they)
Share their bread and make a stand,
Guiding us with helping hands. (with)
Open hearts, they give their all,
Hearing God's all-loving call.
Showing us how we may live,
Learning how to freely give! (chorus)

You know we can be the change,
In this world so wide and strange.
With Christ's love, we'll find the way, To
Make a brighter, better day.
Let us all join hand in hand,
Spreading love across the land. With
Hope and justice in this space, We'll
Shine our light in every place.

This little light of mine, We're gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, We're gonna let it shine,
Christ's among us, let us be, The
Love of Christ for all to see.
Walking humbly in your sight
Together we can shine your light!

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Centering

JENNA HANSEN

On this day we come into your sanctuary, our hearts open, our minds reflective, our spirits ready.

On this day we come into your sanctuary mindful of our present, connected to our past.

Each of us a product of those who came before us, mothers and fathers, grandparents, and great
grandparents, ancestors who dreamed of a future that comes alive in us:

Their hopes, their dreams, their DNA!

Ancestors of faith, whose stories shaped our own: from Adam and Eve, Abraham and Sarah, Ruth
and Naomi, Paul and Mary, Jesus, the Christ!

Their stories become our own, told bedside, enlivened in pews, the ancient come to life again.

In our remembrance, they live.

We tell their stories. We live their truths.

Even death cannot hold them, they live in us, Saints alive, Christ's among us.

Playing

Fresh Word

Stewarding

Felicity Figueroa, Co-Chair D.E.I.
Christ Among Us Video

Remembering

All Saints Litany
Pastors Sarah and Craig

Craig

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

Sarah

Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.

Craig

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

Sarah

Teachers of the faith, we remember you.

Craig

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

Sarah

Family of our faith, we remember you.

Craig

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

Sarah

Those close in our heart, we remember you.

Craig

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

Tom Silk, Kelly Morin Carse, Zachary Zamani Symons Rogers, Lindy Garber

Sarah

We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God, and lift up many more names in our hearts.

Craig

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.

Sarah

We give thanks O God for all who have gone on to join with You beyond this life. 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 you, love lives forever. Amen!

Praying

Craig Tyrl MFA, MA

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

By Ken Medema

Lord, Listen to your children praying, Lord, Send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Offering

We Are an Offering

By Dwight Liles

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.
God, use our voices, God, use our hands,
God, use your lives, they are yours,
We are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you;
we are an offering, we are an offering.

Reading

Isaiah 25:6-8

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

Learning

Rev. Dr. Sarah Halverson-Cano

Communing

Pastor Sarah

To Where You Are

by Josh Grobin

Sending

Pastor Sarah

Carry the Light

By Debby Moylan

We have all witnessed your presence,
We have received your grace.
We give you honor and glory,
For moving in this place.

Now we go out to share the good news.
Now we go out to share your love.
Now we go out to share the good news.
Now we go out to share your love:

Carry the light! Carry the light!
Carry the light to all the Earth!

Carry the light! Carry the light!
Carry the light of Jesus Christ!

Departing

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