Trinity United Church of Christ of Collegeville
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Sunday Worship 9:30 AM ONSITE and ONLINE (live at tinyurl.com/trinf)
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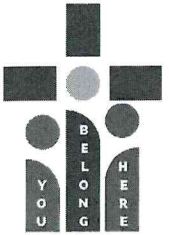
NOVEMBER 1, 2026

ALL SAINTS DAY
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



WELCOME TO TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST OF COLLEGEVILLE

Many churches say everyone is welcome. We mean it. Whether you are a lifelong churchgoer or someone who hasn't stepped inside a church in years — or ever — and regardless of your economic situation, skin color, ethnicity, ability, immigration status, marital status, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression — you are welcome at this church.

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey: You are welcome here. Period.

NEW OR FIRST TIME HERE? We're so glad you came! If you have questions, need anything, or would like us to reach out, put a note into the offering plate or let an usher or greeter know.

YOUNG DISCIPLES. We love having children in worship — wiggles, giggles, and all! Activity pads are available from our greeters, who can also answer questions about Sunday School and quiet spaces for little ones. We're glad your family is here!

WHO WE ARE

Following Jesus' call to love God and neighbor, we covenant to, in all things, practice GRACE:

G	**Grateful Hearts** *(1 Thessalonians 5:18)* We are grateful for this community, for grace as we grow and learn together, and for one another's differences — which we embrace as gifts that strengthen us.
R	**Respectful Relationships** *(1 Thessalonians 5:11)* – We build each other up and treat each other with respect and love. We honor each person's gifts and participation. We are hard on problems and gentle with people.
A	**Authentic Communication** *(Ephesians 4:25)* – We talk to each other and not about each other, gently redirecting if someone brings a concern about another person. We don't gossip or triangulate. We assume good intentions.
C	**Compassionate Understanding** *(Ephesians 4:32)* - We listen to understand, not to judge or fix. We seek to truly hear each other's perspectives, recognizing that different viewpoints help us all see more clearly. We stay curious rather than certain.
E	**Embracing Unity** *(Ephesians 4:3)* - We are rooted in Christ's love and committed to what unites us. We trust God works through our community in both agreement and disagreement, drawing us ever closer together. We choose love over being right.

Nobody gets this right all the time — including us. When we fall short, we commit to working things out the way Jesus taught us: face to face, with grace, involving others only as needed, and always with love as the goal.

Order of Worship

All Saints Day

November 1, 2026 – Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

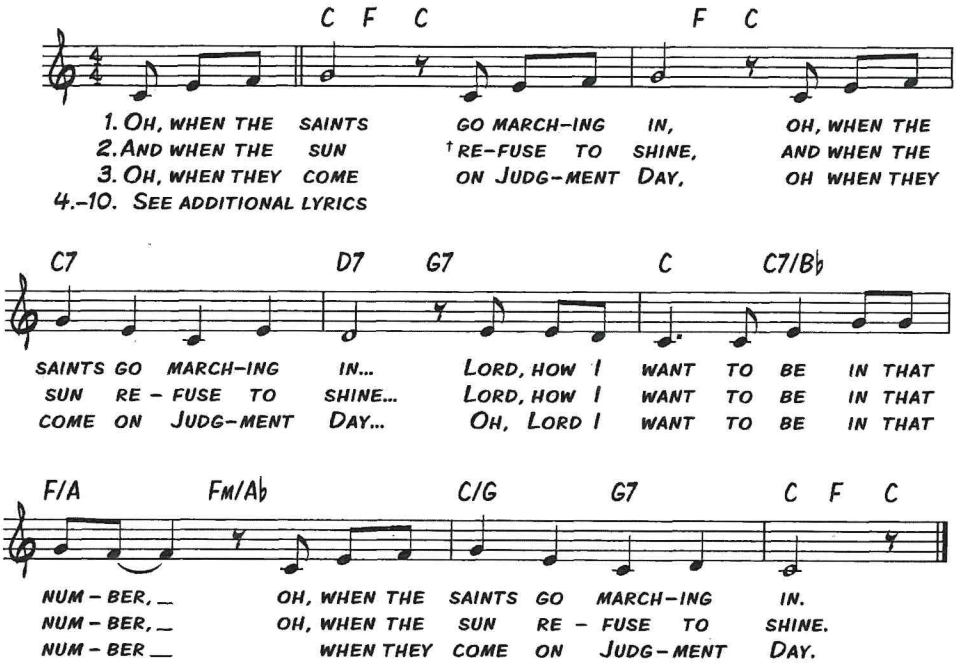
*Congregation may rise **Congregational responses in bold**

PRELUDE **ADAGIO IN G MINOR** **TOMMASO ALBINONI**

***WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP (BASED ON PSALM 34)**

I will bless the Lord at all times.
God's praise will always be on our lips.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord.
Let the humble hear and be glad.
Magnify the Lord with me.
And let us praise God's name together.
I sought the Lord, who answered me and freed me from all my fears.
Taste and see that the Lord is good. Happy are those who take refuge in God.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** **OH WHEN THE SAINTS** **ALL**



***CALL TO CONFESSION**

The saints we remember today were not perfect people. They stumbled, failed, and started over, the same way we do. And God met them with mercy, the same way God meets us. Trusting that mercy, let us confess together.

***Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we come to you as we are. We have spoken when we should have listened, and kept quiet when we should have spoken. We have held tight to what we could have shared. We have walked past neighbors in need and told ourselves we were too busy. Forgive us. Turn us toward you and toward one another, and give us grace to begin again. Amen.

(Moment of silent contemplation, confession, and prayer.)

Kyrie (responsive) **NCH 750** **(Lord, have Mercy upon us, Christ..., Lord...)**

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

Hear the good news: God's mercy runs deeper than our failures. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

We are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***Hymn of Faith** **NCH 419** **Now Thank We All Our God (English)** **ALL**

Time with Young Disciples

Prayer of Illumination

Holy God, thank you for the people who carried your word to us across the generations, in tents and temples, in prisons and kitchens. Open our ears now, as those same words reach us. Amen.

Lessons and Candles

First Lesson—Genesis 12:1-4a OT pg 10 in pew bible

The candle is lit.

Hymn Response: **NCH 299** **For All the Saints** **Vs. 1**

For all the *saints* who from their labors *rest*, who *to* the *world* their steadfast faith *confessed*, your *name*, *O Jesus*, be forever blessed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Second Lesson — Ruth 1:15–18 OT pg 241 in pew bible

The candle is lit.

Hymn Response: **NCH 299** **For All the Saints** **Vs. 2**

You were their *rock*, their refuge, and their *might*; you, *Christ*, the *hope* that put their fears to *flight*; 'mid *gloom and doubt*, you were their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THIRD LESSON — 2 TIMOTHY 1:3-5 NT pg 211 in pew bible

The candle is lit.

HYMN RESPONSE: **NCH 299** **FOR ALL THE SAINTS** **Vs. 3**

Still may your *people*, faithful, true, and *bold*, live *as* the *saints* who nobly fought of *old*, and *share with them* a glorious crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

FOURTH LESSON — LUKE 17:11–19 NT pg 80 in pew bible

The candle is lit.

HYMN RESPONSE: **NCH 299** **FOR ALL THE SAINTS** **Vs. 4**

Ringed by this *cloud* of witnesses *divine*, we *feebly* struggle, they in glory *shine*; yet *in your love* our faithful lives entwine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

FIFTH LESSON—HEBREWS 12:1-2 NT pg 226 in pew bible

The candle is lit.

HYMN RESPONSE: **NCH 299** **FOR ALL THE SAINTS** **Vs. 5**

And when the *strife* is fierce, the warfare *long*, steals *on* the *ear* the distant triumph song, then *hearts are brave* again, and faith grows strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

SIXTH LESSON—REVELATION 7: 9-17 NT pg 249 in pew bible

The candle is lit.

READING AND SHARING OF NAMES

God, thank you for all the saints who have died this year, and for everyone we carry in our hearts. For all the saints, we give you thanks, O God.

HYMN RESPONSE: **NCH 298** **O SAVIOR, FOR THE SAINTS** **Vs. 1,2,3**

1) O Savior, for the *saints* who strove in you to *live*, who followed you without complaint, our grateful hymn receive. 2) O Savior, for the *saints* who strove in you to *die*, who loved and served without restraint, accept our thankful cry. 3) They all, in life and *death*, with you, O Christ in view in heart and deed, learned from the Holy Spirit's breath to suffer and to do.

SEVENTH LESSON—MATTHEW 5: 1-12 NT pg 4 in pew bible

The candle is lit.

REFLECTION **PASTOR SUZANNE**

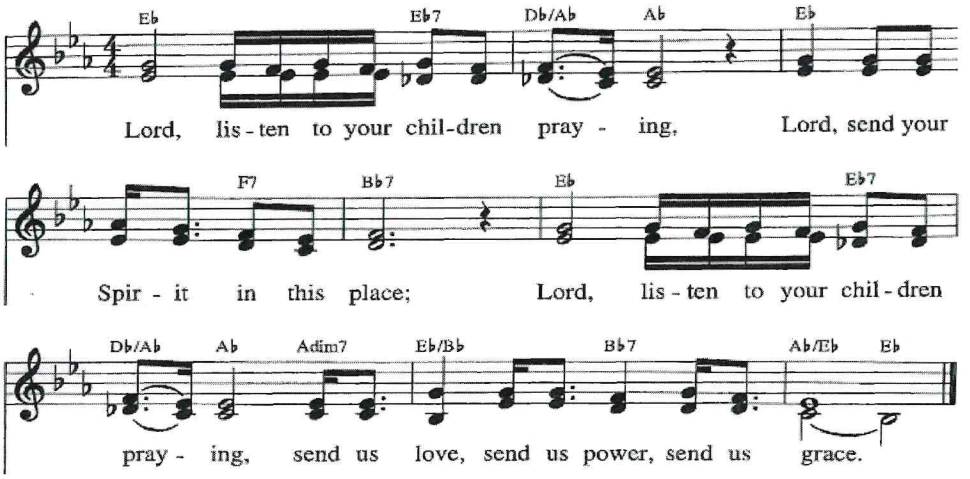
HYMN RESPONSE: **NCH 298** **O SAVIOR, FOR THE SAINTS** **Vs. 4**

4) For this, your name we *bless* and humbly pray *anew* that we, like them, in holiness may live and die in you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER SONG "LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING"

489 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying



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INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

The saints we remember today gave their time, their hands, and their gifts so this church could grow. We offer ours now, in thanksgiving.

OFFERTORY **HEAR OUR PRAYER** **RICHARD KINGSMORE** **CHANCEL CHOIR**

DOXOLOGY **NCH 780**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above, you heavenly host: Praise Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Generous God, everything we have comes from you. Take these gifts and use them for your work in the world. Amen.

***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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** **NCH 295** **I SING A SONG OF THE SAINTS OF GOD** **ALL**

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION Go now, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Run with patience the race set before you. Give thanks in all things. And may the God of all the saints go with you, today and always. Amen

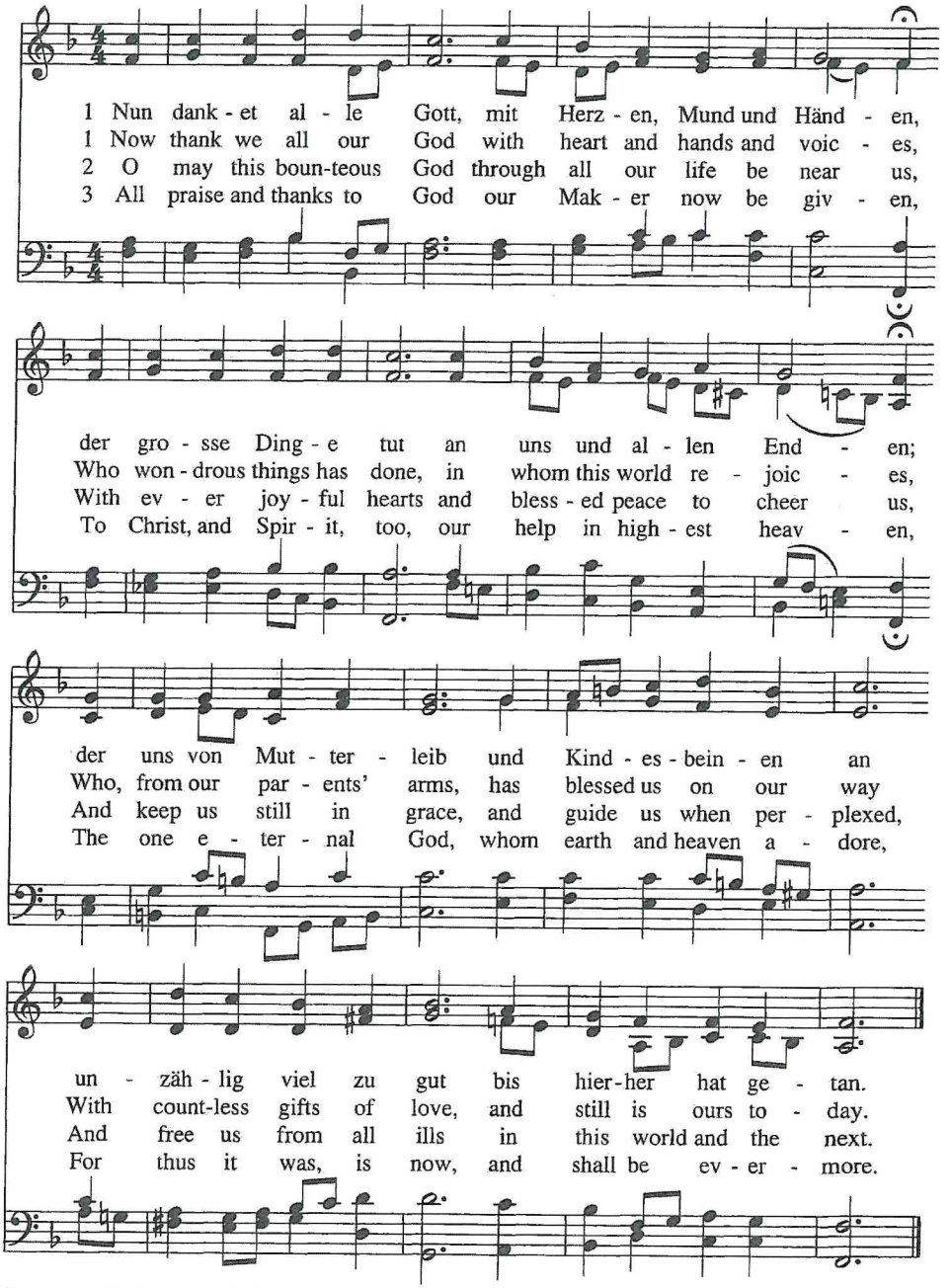
***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:** **NCH 812** **Amen, Amen, Amen**

***POSTLUDE** **HORNPIPE (WATER MUSIC)** **HOPSON/HANDEL**

419 Nun danket alle Gott
(Now Thank We All Our God)

Sir. 50:20–24; 39:35; Ps. 67

Martin Rinkart, 1647; transl. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt.



For much of his life, German Lutheran pastor and musician Martin Rinkart ministered to the walled city of Eisleben amidst the horrors of the Thirty Years' War. This hymn has become

Tune: NUN DANKET 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.6.
Johann Crüger, 1647

O Savior, for the Saints

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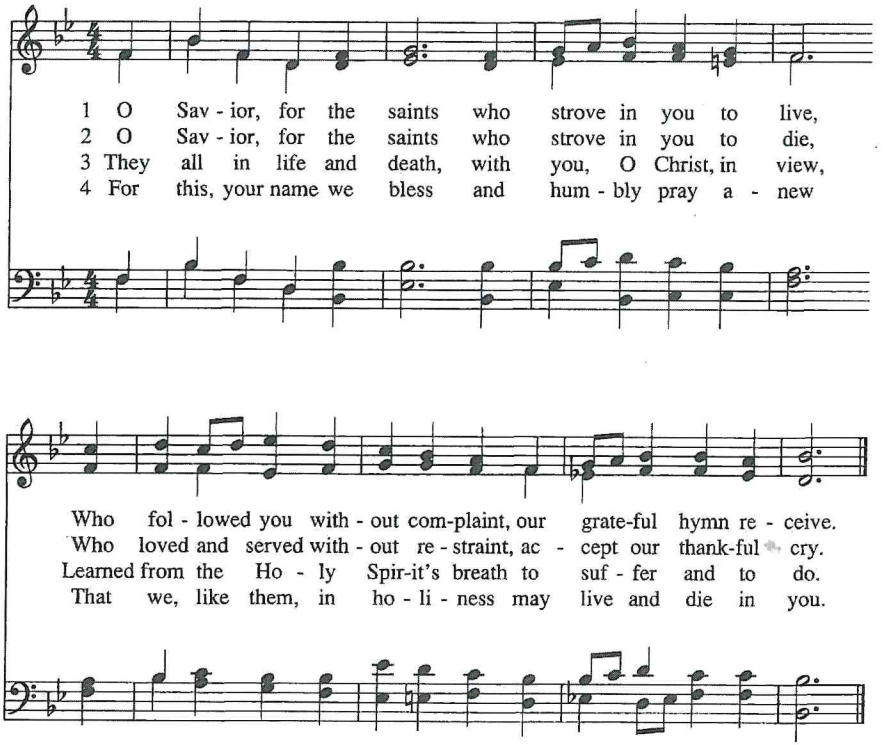
Richard Mant, 1837; alt.

Rom. 14:7–9



This was one of several original hymns appended to Richard Mant's book of translations of Latin hymns from the Roman Breviary. *A priest of the Church of England, Mant was for many years a bishop in Ireland.*

Tune: FESTAL SONG S.M.
William Walter, 1872

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CONFIRMATION CLASSES—Start October 4, 2026—May 16, 2027; 6-8 PM in Freeland Lounge
FINANCE UPDATE—November 1, 2026, right after service
CRAFT FAIRS—November 7 and December 5, 2026 Craft Fairs 11 AM—4 PM in Hendricks
COUNCIL MEETING—November 17, 2026, 6:30 PM in Hendricks Room
BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS—Thursdays from 6 PM—7 PM in Hendricks Room
CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS—Thursdays from 7 PM—8 PM in choir room

NON-CHURCH EVENTS AND MEETINGS AT TRINITY

Progressive Women's Alliance of Montgomery County—Mondays @7 PM in Hendricks
12-Step Meetings —NA Sundays @ 7:30 PM, AA Fridays @ 6:30 PM & 8 PM in Hendricks
Boy Scouts—Wednesdays @ 7 PM in Hendricks Room
Girl Scouts—1st & 3rd Monday in Hendricks and Freeland Lounge

THANK YOU

Reader: Carol Washburn Greeters and Ushers: Trina White
Flowers are in remembrance of Trinity's Dearly Departed
To sponsor flowers email flowers@collegeville.church or contact the office

PRAYERS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF TRINITY UCC COLLEGEVILLE

Please include the following individuals/causes to your daily prayers this week and also let us know if prayers need added or removed:

Jennifer M. (niece of Jim G.) • Alice G (aunt of Robert R) • Peggy S. (mother in law of Dianne Z S) • Mike (son -in-law of Joan Auch) • John (friends of Deb S.) • Rebecca (Diane S's daughter) • Paula (Deb S.) • Leslie H. • Marge (sister-in-law of Steve T.) • Jennie (daughter of Jim & Lisa K.) • Joan R. • Ruth F. • Audrey S. • Glenn D. • Cliff P. • Ben and Jess. (Beth Z. godson and wife) • Maria L.(mother of Nicole P.) • Jane D • George D. • Shannon C • Mary R. (Missy's grandmother) • Fable T.(Trinity's Admin) • Patrice P. •.Earl H. • Nancy S.(friend of Weleski family) • Richard R. (Mike R.'s father)

November 1, 2026 Matthew 23:1-12 Partners in Service

Long before he was Pope, a priest called Francis developed a prayer he called the five-finger prayer. On this All Saints Day, it's a good way to call to mind those saints in our lives and in the world who have led the way in the faith.

Hold your hands palm down in front of you, and look at your fingers one by one, beginning with your thumb, which is the closest to your heart.

Thumb: Pray for those closest to you. Pray for those in your chosen family, or for your close friends.

Pointer finger: Pray for those saints who have pointed you in the right direction. Pray for older relatives, wise teachers, good employers, and thoughtful mentors.

Middle finger: This finger stands tall. Pray for the saints in leadership in your community and the world. Pray for those in business, government, and church leadership whose decisions affect so many.

Ring finger: This finger is the weakest of all the fingers. Pray for those on the margins, pray for the oppressed or the downtrodden. Pray for the ill and the dying. Pray for the addicted and the imprisoned.

Pinky finger: This finger is the smallest. This is where you put your prayers for yourself.

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n today's scripture story, Jesus teaches the crowds and disciples about servant leadership. He showed them that when we are followers of Christ, our words and actions need to be consistent. As we pray this prayer, we can get clearer about who are the ordinary, everyday saints in our lives and the world. We can better understand who those are who walk their walk and talk their talk, those saints who have something to teach us here and now

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