Love God, Serve Others, Embrace Community

Pastor Melissa MacKinnon

All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2026

"Where Were You?"

Prelude **Kevin Su Fukagawa**

Welcome **Jack D.**

Call to Worship **Marilyn M.**

Leader: We gather today in remembrance of the saints who have gone before us, whose lives bear witness to the enduring faithfulness of God.

People: We give thanks for the communion of saints and the love that binds us together in Christ, across generations and beyond the boundaries of death.

Leader: Jesus wept at the tomb of Lazarus, entering fully into the grief of those he loved.

People: We come with our sorrows, our memories, and our hope, trusting that God meets us even in the midst of our mourning.

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life."

People: In Christ, we find hope in the face of death, comfort in our grief, and the promise of life everlasting.

Opening Prayer

Gracious and loving God, the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, we gather today with grateful hearts to worship You on this All Saints Day. We give You thanks for those who have traveled from this life to life eternal. Though we miss their presence among us, we give thanks for their lives and what they taught us about faith and your promise that nothing in life or in death can separate us from Your love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Opening Hymn "Shout to the Lord" TFWS #2074

Verse

My Jesus my Saviour
Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Chorus

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy

At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand

Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

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Ministry Message **Barbara K.**

Children's Message **Barbara K.**

Passing of the Peace

Scripture - John 11:17-37

Jesus Comforts the Sisters of Lazarus

17 On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. 18 Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, 19 and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. 20 When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. 21 "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" 27 "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world." 28 After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. "The Teacher is here," she said, "and is asking for you." 29 When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. 30 Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. 31 When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there. 32 When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." 33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. 34"Where have you laid him?"he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. 35 Jesus wept. 36 Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Anthem "Joyfully Sing", **Choir**

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Sermon *"Where Were You?"* **Pastor Melissa MacKinnon**

Holy Communion - All Saints

Pastoral Prayer

Moving into a Spirit of Prayer

Covenant Prayers for Cal-Pac Churches

Burbank First UMC - Pastor Alex Powell

St. Pauls UMC of Tarzana - Pastor Vernon Kemp

Community Prayers

NEW REQUESTS

Prayers for Pam & John's granddaughter who swallowed a small stone. Prayers that she recovers naturally.

Prayers for Chris Crosby (friend of Pam & John) who is in the hospital with serious ailments. Prayers for peace and comfort for him and his family.

CONTINUE TO PRAY

Prayers for Diane(KathyM. Cousin) who has been diagnosed with cancer and is in the hospital with sepsis. Be with her medical team as they treat her and surround her with peace and comfort.

Prayers for Toni R. who is recovering from carpal tunnel surgery. Be with her as she heals and give her peace and comfort.

Prayers for Karen(friend of Meribeth) who is recovering from a medical mystery that almost took her life. Surround her with healing and comfort.

Prayers for Katie R. who is in the hospital. Prayers for peace and comfort for her and wisdom for her medical team as they care for her.

Prayers for Kathy G.(friend of Emmie) who is recovering from surgery and beginning chemotherapy. Prayers for peace and comfort as she begins her treatment.

CANCER TREATMENT

Linda (Robin G.), Barbara (Tanya I), Danny C, Jennifer(Dr. Bob R.), Georgia(Forbes), Debbie, Ruby(Emmie S), Toni, Sylvia(Pam P), Frank (Taty V), Jan(Nathan), Nori(Linda N.), Wendall(Kathy M.)

IN HOSPICE CARE

Prayers for Carla VonZell. Surround her and her family with peace and comfort during this transition time.

The Lord's Prayer

Moving Beyond a Spirit of Prayer

Invitation to Give our Blessings back to God

Offertory "How Great Thou Art", Performed By: Kayla Bailey

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Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal #95

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Closing Hymn "Because He Lives", Hymnal #364

Verse 1

God sent His Son they called Him Jesus
He came to love heal and forgive
He bled and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove
My Savior lives

Chorus

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

Verse 2
How sweet to hold our newborn baby
And feel the pride and joy he gives
But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain days
Because Christ lives

Chorus
Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living
Just because He lives

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*Benediction Pastor Melissa MacKinnon

Ministry and Life of the Church Announcements

Bible Study
The Book of Joy
Lead by Pastor Melissa

11-3 - Women's Study - 10:00am in the Wesley Room - Childcare available for registered moms
11-4 - Men's Study - 11:00 am in the Fireside Room

Altar Flowers: Linda Norberg - In Memory of Wayne Andrew Norberg
Fellowship Today: Dave Hillman & Pastor Melissa
Birthdays:11-01 Nancy Liedblad, 11-04 Bill Hartley, 11-06 Toni Roy, 11-07 Linda Domes,

Postlude Kevin Su Fukagawa

Thank you
for leading us in worship
Pastor Melissa for the Sermon Message
Kevin Su Fukagawa, Kayla Bailey and The St. Matthew's Choir for our music

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