

All Saints' Sunday



Welcome to 9:00 Worship at Westwood

November 3, 2024 – All Saints' Sunday

Westwood is an open, affirming, and inclusive church, welcoming all who seek God.

Welcome to worship!

All Saints Sunday is the day the Christian Church worldwide remembers the saints who have gone before us, as well as claiming our own status as both saint and sinner, forgiven and beloved by our gracious God. At Westwood we read the names of those who have been buried from Westwood between All Saints Sundays, and then all are invited forward to light a candle in memory of loved ones who now dwell in God's Kingdom.

Westwood is a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) church

Sunday Worship in-person or livestreamed at 9 & 11 AM.

All this can be found at www.westwood.church

PRELUDE "When Peace like a River" setting by Robert Lau

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ **OPENING HYMN** "Give Thanks for Saints" ELW 428 REPTON

↑ GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

↑ **KYRIE**, S138

↑ **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**, S140

"This is the Feast of Victory for Our God"

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, **you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

John 14:1-3

Remembrance of Westwood Saints

Candle Lighting

(You are invited to move to the sand crosses and light a candle in memory of the saints in your life who have gone before us. After lighting the candle, children are invited to meet Alison at the back of the Sanctuary for "The Message".)

Music during Candle Lighting "You Are Mine" Lloyd Larson Westwood Ringers

Prayer

SCRIPTURE LESSON Hebrews 12:1-2

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON John 11:32-44

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Pastor Sarah

HYMN "Shall We Gather at the River" ELW 423 HANSON PLACE

Stanzas 1 and 4



WESTWOOD
LUTHERAN CHURCH

↑ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

↑ SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(children return to worship)

OFFERING "Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal" Alice Parker

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God, **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

↑ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

↑ LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC "Taste and See" ELW 493 Westwood A Cappella Choir

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN "For All the Saints" ELW 422 SINE NOMINE

Stanzas 1 and 2: All

Stanza 3: A Cappella Choir

Stanza 7: All

PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

O God, **you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"O God Beyond All Praising" Gustav Holst