

Earle Street Baptist Church

10:30 am Worship

November 3, 2024

All Saints Sunday

CHIMES

WELCOME

Dale Lynch

PRELUDE

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

arr. Letha Cole

CALL TO WORSHIP

Janice Hinnant

Leader: In all of the seasons of life,

People: God, our Creator, gives us a song.

Leader: There is a song for the beginning of life's journey,

People: And a song for going home.

Leader: There is a song for one voice,

People: And a song for many voices.

Leader: There is a song for victory,

People: And a song for defeat.

Leader: There is a song for times of plenty,

People: And a song for times of want.

Leader: There is a song for mourning,

People: And a song for celebration.

All: In all of the seasons of life, God, our Creator, gives us a song. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #396

For Such a Time as This

MELITA

(All children, grade 5 and under, may come forward on the final stanza.)

**For such a time as this, O Lord, we seek the gift of grace outpoured,
Upon Your people everywhere, bowed down with sorrow, filled with care;
Now bless us, Lord, we humble plead, with grace sufficient for our need.**

**For such a time as this we ask for strength that's equal to our task,
That we may bear our cross of pain, and through our sufferings triumph gain.
Our troubles then, shall not bring shame but glory to our Savior's name.**

**For such a time as this, O Lord, we pray for guidance from Your Word;
Your truth revealed from by-gone age still shines from every sacred page.
Its light for this day we would see; from darkened minds, Lord, set us free.**

**For such a time as this abide, be ever with us at our side,
To heal our hurts, to give us peace, and from our burdens grant release.
Your presence guides us through the day and leads us on our homeward way.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Catherine Carnes

(Following this, preschoolers, ages 3 – K5, may go to Sunday School,
and children, grades 1 – 5, may go to Children's Church.)

MEMORIAL RECOGNITION

Janice Hinnant

Linda Pickel
Thelma Huskey
Chuck Huneycutt

November 10, 2023
November 16, 2023
December 31, 2023

Mary McCutcheon	January 6, 2024
Knox Boggs	January 16, 2024
James Sheppard	February 9, 2024
Warren Hammett	February 23, 2024
Veronica Blair	March 8, 2024
Carl Thackston	March 10, 2024
Doug Greer	March 19, 2024
Andrew Worrell	April 26, 2024
Bill Hendrix	May 27, 2024
Dave Talley	June 12, 2024
David Bridges	September 12, 2024
Eloise Bryson	October 5, 2024
Roy Eubanks	October 25, 2024
Lamar Craze	October 30, 2024

PASTORAL PRAYER

Dale Lynch

*OFFERTORY HYMN #544

RESIGNATION

When Sorrow Floods the Troubled Heart

**When sorrow floods the troubled heart and clouds the mind with fears,
Affliction presses from the soul the bitter flow of tears.
God's weeping children raise the prayer: "Almighty God, how long
Till tears shall cease and silence break and grief be turned to song?"**

**The voice is stilled, no words express the pain that lingers on;
Our prayer becomes a silent sigh; all mortal speech is gone.
The Holy Spirit groans in us with intercession strong;
When tears have ceased and silence breaks, the Spirit stirs a song.**

**The sting of death cannot forbid the child of God to sing.
The scars we bear may long remain, but resurrection brings
The healing of the broken heart, the righting of the wrong.
Our tears shall cease, our silence breaks in Christ, the living Song.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Joyce McCarrell

OFFERTORY

Shall We Gather At the River

arr. James Pethel

*RESPONSE

Doxology

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Revelation 7:9-17

Gary Strickland

⁹ After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." ¹¹ All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" ¹³ Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they,

and where did they come from?" ¹⁴ I answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶ 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷ For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; 'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'"

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Ralph Vaughan Williams/Arr. Dwight Elrich

Festival Piece on SINE NOMINE

Sanctuary Choir

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, alleluia.

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

MESSAGE

"When the Saints Go Marching In"

Gary Strickland

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT #555

LAND OF REST

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

**Jerusalem, my happy home, when shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end; thy joys when shall I see?**

**O happy harbor of the saints, O sweet and pleasant soil!
In thee no sorrow may be found, no grief, no care, no toil.**

**Thy saints are crowned with glory great; they see God face to face;
They triumph still, they still rejoice; most happy is their case.**

**Jerusalem, my happy home, would God I were in thee!
Would God my woes were at an end, thy joys that I might see!**

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*BENEDICTION

Gary Strickland

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #705

GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen, amen.**

*POSTLUDE

Come, Come, Ye Saints

arr. James Denton

*Congregation will please stand.

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Acolyte—Bear Wilkinson

Deacon of the Week—Joyce McCarrell

Greeters—Margaret Kirby/Bruce Doolittle

Sound Technician—Frank Tedards

Video Technician—Derek Lord

Ushers—Keith Merck, Jay Gibson, Curtis Dobbins, Jim Wooten, Grant Wooten, Robin Scott Blackburn

Preschool/Children Volunteers— Tammy Knight, Tammy Dowdy, Vicki Merck, Jeannie Flowe, Melanie Wells, Jane Leo, Noellen Groff, Gabe Carnes, Margo Love, Rebecca Register, Grey Register, Judy Lemmons, Calder Standridge