

A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT  
for  
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

THE UNITED CHURCH OF SANTA FE  
A United Church of Christ

November 3, 2024  
10:00 A.M.

**For Reflection:**

Measure me, sky!  
Tell me I reach by a song  
Nearer the stars;  
I have been little so long.

Weigh me, high wind!  
What will your wild scales record?  
Profit of pain,  
Joy by the weight of a word.

Horizon, reach out!  
Catch at my hands, stretch me taut,  
Rim of the world:  
Widen my eyes by a thought.

Sky, be my depth,  
Wind, be my width and my height,  
World, my heart's span;  
Loveliness, wings for my flight.

Leonora Speyer (1872 – 1956)

**WE GATHER**

*(May the first note of the Prelude be a call to prayer and stillness as we prepare for worship.)*

Gathering Music

*Here's One  
Wayfaring Stranger*

African American/arr. Mark Hayes  
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\*Introit

***When the Saints Go Marchin' In***  
*(\*Please rise in body or spirit.)*

Traditional

***Oh, when the saints go marchin' in; Oh, when the saints go marchin' in,  
Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marchin' in!***

***Oh, when the sun begins to shine. . .***

Welcoming of Visitors and Sharing of Our Life Together

Greetings from Rev. Dr. Catherine Mutua, Former Methodist Bishop of Kaaga Synod in Meru, Kenya

*Blessed. . . To Be a Blessing!* – Campaign for United 2025

John Walker

Breathing in God's Gifts of Peace, Hope, and Love

Sharing God's Peace and Regathering

***When the Saints Go Marchin' In*** (1x)

Traditional

Breathing in God's Gifts Again

Musical Call to Worship

*The Eyes of All*

Jean Berger

A Call to Worship (based on Frederick Buecher's *Sacred Journey*) (**congregation in bold**)

Come, give thanks to God for all the saints! The famous ones and the unknown ones, the ones who did great deeds and the ones who lived ordinary lives of courage and hope. *¡Gracias a Dios por todos los santos!*

**¡Gracias a Dios por todos los santos!**

Come, give thanks for all the saints! The young ones and old ones, the foolish ones and wise ones, the shy ones and overbearing ones.

**¡Gracias a Dios por todos los santos!**

Come, give thanks for all the saints! The ones who have gone before us and the ones we meet every day, the ones whose names are written in the pages of history and those written in the depths of our hearts.

**¡Gracias a Dios por todos los santos!**

Come, people of God, give thanks for all the saints and pray that in this time of worship, we may hear God's call and receive God's blessing of hope, courage, and love in our lives to be the saints God calls us to be.

\*Hymn

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***Shall We Gather at the River?*** (1-3)

Hanson Place

## WE PREPARE

### \*In a Prayer of Invocation for All Saints Day

God, we are surrounded by a cloud of faithful witnesses who have gone before us,  
**those who have loved where we would have hated,  
those who have healed where we would have hurt,  
those who have spoken out when we would have remained silent.**

God, may we walk in their footsteps,  
**learning courage from their sacrifice,  
gaining strength from their faithfulness.**

May we learn to give so that others may receive,  
**to love so that others may be set free,  
to die to ourselves so that others might live.**

God, help us join that cloud of faithful witnesses,  
**treading paths of loving obedience and  
leaving footprints that others desire to walk in.  
May we too live your life of justice and mercy. Amen.**

### \*A Time of Silent Prayer and Affirmation of Grace

#### \*Our Song of Praise

*Shall We Gather at the River?* (st. 4)

Hanson Place

(During the song, children are invited to Children's Ministry with Maria Navarette and Andrea Gonzalez.  
They return for communion.)

## WE ENGAGE

From the Wisdom Literature of the Hebrew Bible

The Book of Job 38-41

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:  
"Who is this that darkens counsel  
by words without knowledge?  
Gird up your loins like a human being,  
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.  
Where were you when I laid the foundation  
of the earth?  
Tell me, if you have understanding. . .  
who laid its cornerstone  
when the morning stars sang together  
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?  
Can you hunt the prey for the lion? . . .  
or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,  
Do you know when the mountain goats give birth?  
Do you observe the calving of the deer?  
Who has let the wild ass go free?  
Who has loosed the bonds of the swift ass,

to which I have given the steppe for its home,  
the salt land for its dwelling-place? . . .  
Do you give the horse its might?  
Do you clothe its neck with mane?  
Do you make it leap like the locust?  
Look at Behemoth (*hippopotamus*)  
which I made just as I made you;  
it eats grass like an ox.  
Its strength is in its loins,  
and its power in the muscles of its belly.  
Can you draw out Leviathan with a fish-hook,  
or press down its tongue with a cord? . . .  
Will it make many supplications to you?  
Will it speak soft words to you?  
Will it make a covenant with you  
to be taken as your servant for ever?  
Will you play with it as with a bird,  
or will you put it on a leash for your children?"

Hymn 566

*Heaven and Earth, and Sea and Air* (1-2, 4-5)

Joachim Neander/Gott Sei Dank

Sermon

*Out of the Whirlwind, Into the Eternal Arms*

Silent Reflection

Musical Response

*Beautiful Savior*

arr. F.M. Christiansen

## WE RESPOND

Sharing the Sacrament of Communion

The Story of this Feast

## Giving Thanks to God and Welcoming One Another

My friends, God invites us to this table and this holy feast to offer us new life and the courage to share that life with others.

**We come to be renewed by God's spirit. We come to receive God's courage.**

Therefore welcome one another to this table and be open to receive God's gifts so you will have the courage to be who God calls you to be and to do the work this world needs you to do.

**Thanks be to God! ;Gracias a Dios!**

Prayer of Blessing and the Lord's Prayer (*Please pray any version of the Lord's Prayer.*)

## Sharing the Bread and the Cup

(*Communion is open to all. As called, please come forward to receive the bread or non-gluten wafer. Then either take an individual cup or dip the bread into the chalice and return to your seat by the next aisle. Thank you!*)

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving

**We give you thanks, O God, that through this bread, and the blessing of your Spirit, you have given us new life and your deep courage. You have led us into deeper communion with you, one another, and all your people. Lead us now into your world in courage and peace. Shape our lives and strengthen our faith to be the people you call us to be and do the work you call us to do. Amen.**

## Sharing the Names of the Saints We Have Lost this Year

(*In the silence that follows you are invited to share the names of other saints.*)

## WE GO OUT IN PEACE

\*Hymn 299 *For All the Saints* (1-3, 5) Ralph Vaughan Williams/Sine Nomine

\*Benediction

\*Musical Benediction *Kyrie Eleison* (3x) Ukrainian Orthodox Chant



## WELCOME TO THE UNITED CHURCH OF SANTA FE!

We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning and invite you also to join in our weekday offerings and service opportunities. Again, welcome!

### We Invite Your Morning Offering

Your morning offering, along with regular pledges, makes possible the abundant life and ministry of the United Church. As you leave, please take a moment to leave your offering in the Community Room plates. Thank you!

Sharing leadership are Rev. Talitha Arnold, Pastor; Bradley Ellingboe, Director of Music; Jacquelyn Helin, DMA, Guest Pianist; the United Choir; and Elijah Marquez, Media Coordinator, with volunteer Frank Wilbanks. Liturgists to be announced. You were welcomed by Rosemary Thompson, Char and Bruce Cebell, Pam Hyde, and Sunday Aide Luis Zapata. The fall floral arrangement are in loving memory of Cliff Beck whose memorial service was this past Friday. The roses on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Stranding Arnold (Nov. 4, 1917 – Oct. 5, 2000).

## TWO FORUMS TODAY! (11:15 am)

### *Loving our Neighbors at the Border* (Education Wing)

The Immigration and Refugee Task Force invites you to meet David Henkel, of the Santa Fe Friends (Quakers) Meeting, to speak of his work and experiences in New Mexico's borderlands. David will also be the "guide," when the Task Force goes to the New Mexico/Mexico border in the coming months.

### *"To Seek Christ's Face" – Images of Jesus in Art Through the Ages* **Part 2 – Christ Pantocrator, Blessing and Sustaining**

As United explores who Jesus was and is for us, join Molly Elkind for a four-week exploration of images of Jesus in art, from the days in the catacombs to the present. What can we learn from the ways in which Jesus has been and is today portrayed in visual terms? (We skip next Sunday for the Forum with Ken Medema. The 3<sup>rd</sup> session is Nov. 17.)

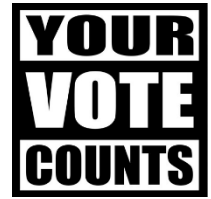
## HELP OUR FELLOWSHIP TIME BE ECO-FRIENDLY

Please join in the time for fellowship, coffee, and snacks after today's service. And when you're done, please put used cups and napkins in the compost bin in the Community Room. Thanks to Reunity Resources, they'll be turned into great compost.



### VOTE—and PRAY—THIS TUESDAY!

**Monday, Nov. 4**  
5:30 pm – Simple Worship Service of prayer and readings.  
**Tuesday, Nov. 5**  
United's Sanctuary open all day (8:00 to 6:00) for prayer.  
**Wednesday, Nov. 6**  
12:00 noon Prayer Service



### Wednesday Women's Study Group – Oct. 16 (10:00 am)

This week we finish *The Personal Librarian* by Heather Terrell and Victoria Christopher Murray. All women welcome!  
Info: Cheryl Morton (515-240-4523, [mommorton@gmail.com](mailto:mommorton@gmail.com)) or Jenn Wynn (817-219-0707, [home@wynnes.us](mailto:home@wynnes.us)).

**Resiliency and Hope: Strengthening Our Souls – Thursday Mornings at 8:00 (via Zoom)**  
Explore the Gospel of Mark with Talitha Arnold. Sign up at [unitedchurchsf@gmail.com](mailto:unitedchurchsf@gmail.com).

### SPECIAL OFFERINGS IN THE WINGS:

Thursday, Nov. 14, 10:00 am “**Move Well, Move Often**” (at United)  
with retired Physical Therapy Professor Margy Maira (on balance, mobility, etc.)

Thursday, Nov. 7 and Nov. 14 (3:30 to 5:00)—“**Moses and Jesus Go to the Movies**”  
Renesan Presentation by Talitha Arnold at Jean Cocteau Theater (register: [tinyurl.com/Renesan](http://tinyurl.com/Renesan))

### United Church Commits to Love God, Neighbor, and Creation in a Whole Lot of Ways

Supporting our Diné/Navajo neighbors. Providing relief and resettlement for Afghan, Central American, and Ukrainian refugees. Feeding hungry people in Santa Fe. Composting waste into life-giving compost. United seeks to love our neighbors and God's creation in all kinds of ways. Go to [unitedchurchofsantafe.org](http://unitedchurchofsantafe.org) to find out more!

### MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP

#### **Coro Lux presents Durufle's Requiem – This Afternoon at 3:00**

Bradley Ellingboe, Artistic Director  
St. John's Episcopal Cathedral, Albuquerque

#### **Rising Stars – Santa Fe Youth Symphony Concert**

**Sunday, Nov. 17 (12:00 noon) – Lensic Theater**

Several United Youth play in various groups in the concert (Sasha Smucker—Mariachi Estrella; Luke Rand and Jack Smucker—Sierra String Quartet; Jaden Rand—Youth Symphony). Tickets: \$25 at [The Santa Fe Symphony](http://The Santa Fe Symphony).

#### **Handel's Messiah**

**Santa Fe Symphony and Chorus with guest soloists**

**Saturday, Nov. 16 (7:00 pm) and Sunday, Nov. 17 (4:00 pm) – Lensic Theater**

Experience Georg Frederic Handel's masterpiece. United singers include Joan Snider, Elizabeth Roghair, and Talitha Arnold. Tickets and info: [The Santa Fe Symphony](http://The Santa Fe Symphony).

### “Exploring the Pandemic's Impact on Congregations” (EPIC) National Survey

In 2022, our congregation was chosen as one of 300 churches nationwide for a 5-year study of the pandemic's impact on their life and ministry. Led by the Hartford Institute and funded by the Lilly Endowment, the EPIC study this year includes all participants from each church—which means all United members and friends. Please take the survey: [covidreligionstudy.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9GYI89a3NMOwuFw?congregation=99202](https://covidreligionstudy.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9GYI89a3NMOwuFw?congregation=99202) by November 15. Questions? Please contact Pastor Talitha Arnold. Thank you!

### UNITED CHURCH SUPPORT FOR HURRICANE AND ROSWELL RELIEF

United invites your donations (online: [unitedchurchofsantafe.org](http://unitedchurchofsantafe.org); or by check (memo: “Hurricane or Roswell Relief”) to send to the United Church of Christ's disaster ministries, already at work in the affected regions. Thank you!

### Toiletries for Shelter Christmas Bags and “Socks-Giving” – Community Room Boxes for all items

Individual new toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush) for Christmas Bags the children assemble for St. Elizabeth Shelter guests (**No** mouthwash, medications, razors). Donate new pairs of warm socks for children, women, men in SF Shelters.