



For All
the Saints

WORSHIP OF GOD | NOVEMBER 3, 2024
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY | COMMUNION SUNDAY | MISSION EVENT SUNDAY
First Rochester | An American Baptist Church
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Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon, senior pastor | Eliecia Young, pastoral assistant
Henry Griffin, music director | Samuel Baker, organist

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Feel free to use any gender-neutral language in hymns or responses.

Prelude *Fanfare and Aria:* Albert Zabel
Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Invitation to Mission & Ministry Eliecia Young

***Hymn 529** *For All the Saints* How/Williams
verses 1, 3, 6

Call to Worship *Psalm 1 (revised for worship, jgc)* Eliecia Young

One: Blessed is the one who does not walk in the council of the wicked.

All: Blessed is the one who doesn't stand with sinners or sit with mockers of God.

One: That one delights in God's laws and meditates on them.

All: We shall be like trees planted by streams of water, yielding fruit in each season.

One: For God watches out for the righteous leading them to life.

All: Let us offer to God our worship.

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

Scripture *I Thessalonians 1*

Prayer for Illumination

Meditation *Our Mentors in Faith* Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon

Invitation to the Lord's Table Rev. Joanne Gilbert-Cannon
Rev. Peg Nowling Williams

We observe an open communion, all are welcome at the table.

Words of Institution

Unison Lord's Prayer

The Great Feast

Benediction

***Closing Hymn**

Gloria Patri

Greatorex

**Glory be to the Creator, 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.**

Adjournment to Mission Project



**Today there will be a special Mission Event immediately following the
Worship Service.** Please join us as we put our hands to work to help others.



Thank you to others who contributed their gifts today: including reader: Eliecia Young, reader; Rev. Peg Nowling Williams, communion assistance; ushers: Mike Ryan and Kandee Tabor; fellowship: Ron and Dara Lewis; our nursery: Melina Mineti, Dara Lewis; our tech team: Wes Selleck, Oliver Hood, Maddox Young, Scott and Susen McClellan, Glenn Stahl, and Janet Richardson; and our musicians: Naomi Chad, soprano; Emma Unkrich, mezzo-soprano; Joshua Gleason, tenor; Samuel Baker, organ; and Henry Griffin, baritone and director.

We welcome you to First Rochester, regardless of race, class, gender, physical challenge, place of origin, or sexual orientation. **If you're new with us**, please fill out the **connection card** found in your pew and drop it with the offering. We look forward to getting to know you better!

Mid-week Meditation Service, Wednesdays—October through December:

On Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM, we will hold a special one-hour service in the chapel. There will be readings, repetitive songs, silence, prayer, and meditation. This service enhances a deeper connection with God in a contemplative way. Please come and experience this unique and inspiring worship opportunity.

November Food Drive to help Pittsford Food Cupboard (which serves us and surrounding areas including the southwest part of Rochester) See the bulletin insert for more details.

OWLS Programs: Join us on Thursday, November 7, with guest *Ralph Meranto, Production Manager of the JCC Center Stage Theater, who will share his story*. Chair exercise 11:30 AM. Lunch and program at 12:15 PM. Donations welcomed. Please RSVP kandeetabor@gmail.com.

Handbell Choir ringers still welcome. Continuing on Wednesday, November 6, 13, & 20, at 7:15PM, the bell choir will practice music that will be played during worship on November 24. See Henry if you have any questions.

Save the Date for a Harvest Meal on Sunday, November 17, following worship. The OWLS (Older Wiser Learning Seniors) will be treating the church congregation to a Harvest Feast. Please plan to stay for this generous gift to us for hosting the OWLS throughout the year. The meal will include many of the seasonal favorites.

FBCR Book Club, Date To Be Determined: This month we will read *The Women* by Kristen Hannah. A historical fiction story of Frances "Frankie" McGrath, a young nurse who served during the Vietnam War. In the beginning were the challenges of war she faced but her homecoming amidst a divide America became yet another battle. The book shines a light on all women whose sacrifice and commitment are often forgotten. All are welcome to the discussion. Gathering is at 11:30 AM with a BYO lunch; discussion at noon.

Other Upcoming Dates to note: December 8—Pageant; December 15—Cantata; December 24—Christmas Eve Service 5 PM; December 29—Jammies and Jingles.