PRAYER FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY (see insert)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Selected Hymn Jack Brooks

*Doxology #607

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

—Sending—

*HYMN # 837 What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Selected Hymn Jack Brooks

You may be seated after the light passes you in the aisle.



Henderson, Texas

Debbi Ricci.......Admin. Assist.

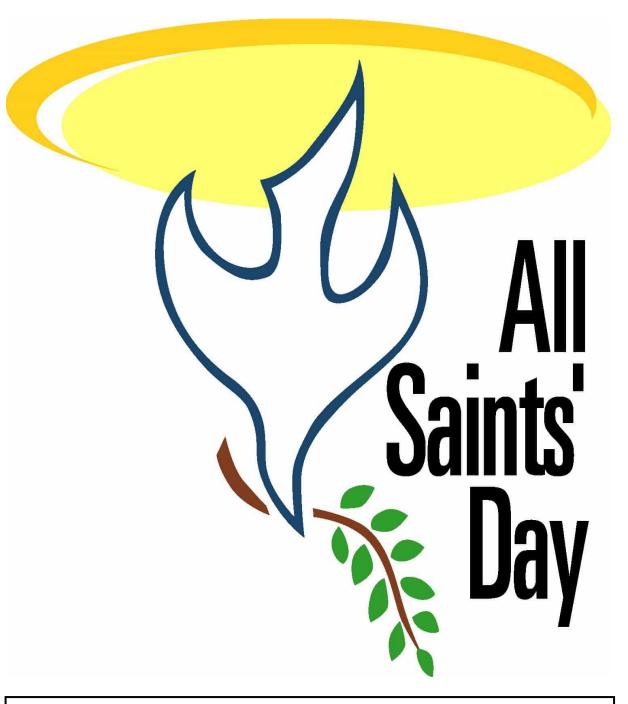
Jack BrooksGuest Organist



Serving God, Honoring Creation, Embracing Differences



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October 27, 2024

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

(*) Please rise in body or in spirit **Bold Italic Letters** indicate congregational response

— Gathering —

PRELUDE Selected Hymn Jack Brooks

WELCOME Liturgist: Jan Pennal

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 124:8 and Psalm 46)

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Amen.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,

Though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;

God will help it when the morning dawns.

"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations;

I am exalted in the earth."

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge

Let us worship the living God!

*HYMN #2 Come Thou All Mighty King

CONFESSION (a prayer by Martin Luther)

Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled. My Lord, fill it. I am weak in the faith; strengthen me. I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent, that my love may go out to my neighbor. I do not have a strong and firm faith; at times I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether. O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you. In you I have sealed the treasure of all I have. I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor. I am a sinner; you are upright. With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness. Therefore, I will remain with you, of whom I can receive, but to whom I may not give. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Let us never forget you, O Lord, nor your goodness.

Let the remembrance of your mercy be always engraved on our minds.

Hear and believe this good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI #581

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.

-Word-

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 121 Bible p. 539, LG p. 702

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

SECOND READING Genesis 32:22-31 Bible p. 29, LG p. 37

The word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Wrestling and Struggling with God Rev. Dr. Evan Dolive

—Response—

*HYMN # 326 For All the Saints

*Affirmation of Faith ((from The Heidelberg Catechism)

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong — body and soul, in life and in death — to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.