

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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All Saints Sunday • November 6, 2022 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

All Saints' Day is a universal festival of the Church. This festival day directs our attention to the richness of Christian history and the varied experiences of the grace of God by lifting up the lives of the saints. The custom of commemorating all the martyrs of the Church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints' Day (Nov. 1) celebrates not only the martyrs and saints, but all the people of God, living and dead, who together form the mystical body of Christ.

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Ruth Caudill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Anita Laffoon

One: Praise the Lord, all you saints!

Many: Praise the Lord all you heavenly hosts!

One: Let us praise the name of the Lord:

Many: For the Lord's name only is exalted!

One: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob:

Many: Isaiah, Jeremiah and all the Patriarchs and Prophets!

One: Miriam, Ruth and Naomi:

Many: Elizabeth, Mary and all the Holy Women!

One: These are the saints whose robes are washed white in the blood of the Lamb.

Many: Praise the Lord!

One: We are the saints who are the living body of Christ, the Church.

Many: Praise the Lord! O praise the name of the Lord!

INVOCATION PRAYER

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE

One: God, we remember those Saints who have gone before us;

Many: We lament their passing,

One: And honor their legacy.

Many: We give thanks for all we have learned from them.

One: Those who followed the Way of Christ faithfully,

Many: We follow their example.

One: Those who made mistakes along the way,

Many: We learn from their experience.

One: Those who made progress for peace,
Many: We continue their work.

One: Those who lived simply and quietly,
Many: We are enlightened by them.

One: Those who gained honor and distinction without pride,

Many: We are humbled by them.

One: They have finished their work on earth,
Many: And it lives on,

One: Reverberating into our lives now

Many: As the work of Christ lives on.

Below are the names of the members and friends of Ginter Park Baptist Church who have died since All Saints' Day last year. We remember them in our prayers today, and we give thanks for their lives. We remember and find strength in their faith and the faith of all the saints both known to us and known only to God.

Ganelle Malone

Mildred Adams

Mary Brittle

Charlotte Irwin

HYMN No. 637

“For All the Saints”

SINE NOMINE

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Anita Laffoon

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (ALL)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

HYMN

“And Can It Be”
Music and Text Below

SAGINA

SCRIPTURE

[Acts 16:16-19](#)

Meredith Stone

SERMON

“Invisible No More”

Meredith Stone

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

Kim Crawley

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN No. 629

“Stand by Me”

STAND BY ME

BENEDICTION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: And also with you...

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Biblical Studies, M.A. in Religion) and Brite Divinity School of Texas Christian University (Ph.D. in Biblical Interpretation). Meredith regularly speaks and preaches at churches, conferences, and retreats, and writes for Baptist publications. Her academic publications include *Empire and Gender in Septuagint Esther* (SBL Press, 2018). Meredith is married to James and they have two teenage children.

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Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of November 6, we pray for the families of Metropolitan Richmond: For single-parent families, adoptive families, foster families, and for households that are communities of friends; for elderly persons living in their own homes, in retirement communities, and in nursing institutions.

Installment Service and Celebration

On Sunday, November 13th, worship will involve an installment service for the Reverend Anita Laffoon as Pastor of Ginter Park Baptist Church. Worship will be in the Sanctuary of CHUMC that morning. Then we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for lunch and musical entertainment from 12:00- 2:00. November 13th is a day of joyous celebration of Anita and of all that has been good in the life of the church over the past several years. Come, bring your friends and neighbors, and let's celebrate.

Business Meeting

We will have a business meeting after worship on November 20th to present and discuss our 2023 budget. Please make plans to attend in person or via Zoom.

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Click the link below to sign up or ask Anita (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org) about volunteering!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AACA72CA3FBC70-worship>

The Thursday morning Bible study continues its study of the book of Acts on Thursdays at 10am in the educational wing. Entry is the door on the far left at the front of the church. Don is a professor in the Religious Studies Department at Randolph-Macon College and can be reached at dcpolaski@gmail.com if you have questions.

BP Volunteers Needed for 2022-23!

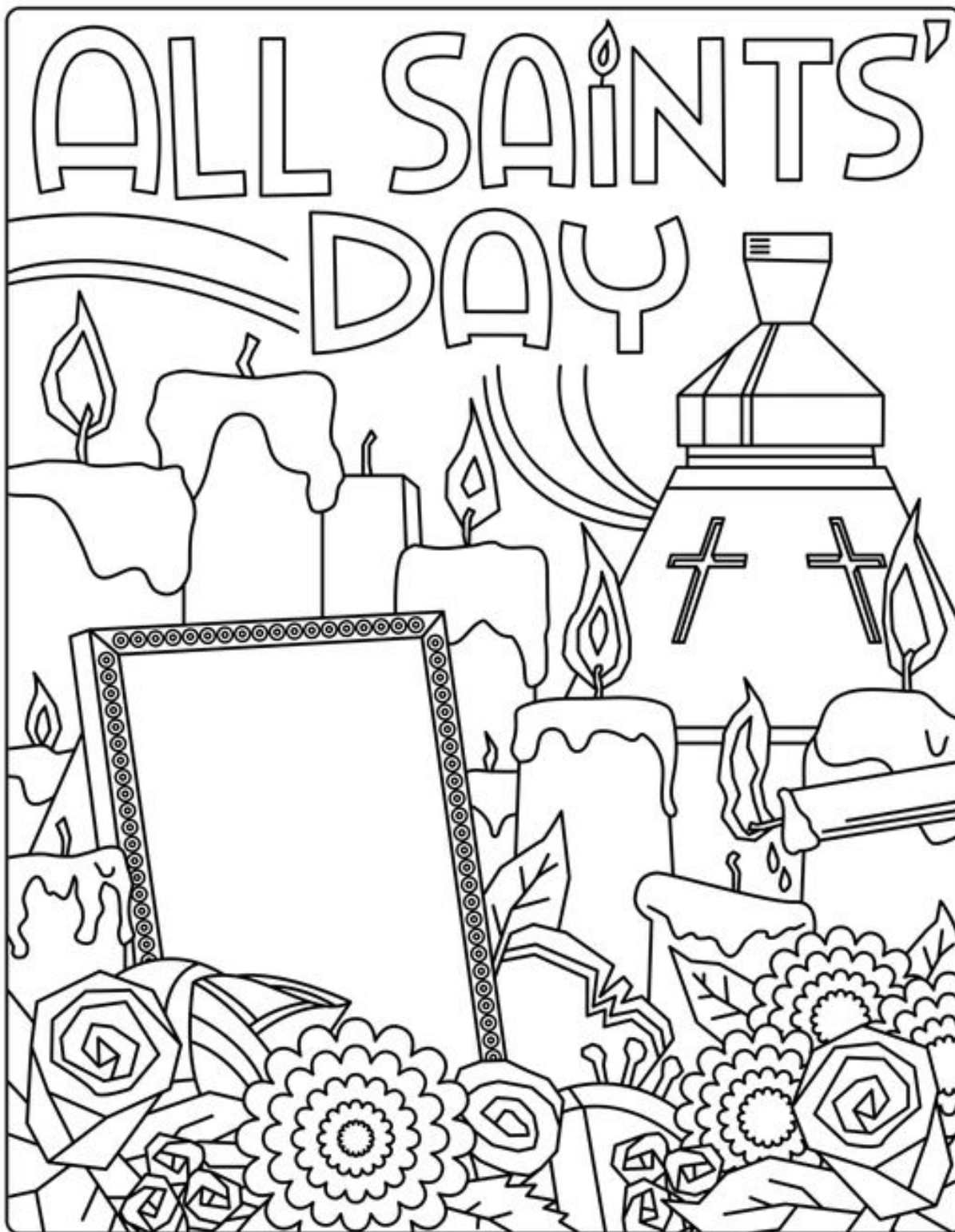
Yeah, we have coordinators for the month of March! Thank you Karen & Kyle for volunteering! So...we just need coordinators for the months of May & June! Monthly coordinators are needed to purchase food items and make sure the 36 bags are packed and delivered each week to GPES. If you have questions about the process or to volunteer (as a coordinator or a helper), let Dixie know! Contact information can be found on REALM. PS...keep bringing in those grocery bags!!

Page Turners Book Club

A new book has been chosen! The book to read and discuss in November is "The Dictionary of Lost Words" by Pip Williams. We will meet again on November 20th at 4pm. Location TBA.

Weeknight Bible Study

We are meeting on Tuesdays at 7pm for a five-week, discussion-based study called “Faithful Curiosity,” which CBF Virginia and the Baptist Seminary of Kentucky have collaborated to produce. Email Anita at alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org if you are interested in joining us! [Click here](#) to preview the study.



Hymn Texts

For All the Saints

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: their strength and solace in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, the one true light. Alleluia, alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We live and struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the conflict long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, alleluia!

Stand by Me

When the storms of life are raging, stand by me (stand by me);
when the storms of life are raging, stand by me (stand by me);
when the world is tossing me like a ship upon the sea,
thou who rulest wind and water, stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of tribulation, stand by me (stand by me);
in the midst of tribulation, stand by me (stand by me);
when the hosts of hell assail, and my strength begins to fail,
thou who never lost a battle, stand by me (stand by me).

3 In the midst of faults and failures, stand by me (stand by me);
in the midst of faults and failures, stand by me (stand by me);
when I've done the best I can, and my friends misunderstand,
thou who knowest all about me, stand by me (stand by me).

In the midst of persecution, stand by me (stand by me);
in the midst of persecution, stand by me (stand by me);
when my foes in war array undertake to stop my way,
thou who saved Paul and Silas, stand by me (stand by me).

When I'm growing old and feeble, stand by me (stand by me);
when I'm growing old and feeble, stand by me (stand by me);
when my life becomes a burden, and I'm nearing chilly Jordan,
O thou Lily of the Valley, stand by me (stand by me).

And Can It Be

G $\frac{G}{B}$ D G $\frac{Am}{C}$ D7 G C D $\frac{D}{C}$

1 And can it be that I should gain an in - terest
 2 He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove, so free, so
 3 Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay fast bound in
 4 No con-dem - na - tion now I dread: Je - sus, and

$\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{D}{F\#}$ G $\frac{D}{A}$ A7 D $\frac{G}{D}$ D $\frac{D}{C}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ G

in the Sav - ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his
 in - fi - nite his grace! Emp - tied him - self of all but
 sin and na - ture's night. Thine eye dif - fused a quick - ening
 all in him, is mine! A - live in him, my liv - ing

D $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

pain? For me, who him - to death pur - sued?
 love, and bled for A - dam's help - less race!
 ray; I woke the dun - geon flamed with light!
 Head, and clothed in righ - teous - ness di - vine,

D $\frac{D}{C}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{D}{A}$ G C $\frac{A}{C\#}$ D

A - maz - ing love! how can it be that
 'Tis mer - cy all, im - mense and free, for,
 My chains fell off, my heart was free, I
 bold I ap - proach the e - ter - nal throne, and

G $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{Am}{C}$ D G N.C. G

thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 O my God, it found out me. A - maz - ing
 rose, went forth, and fol - lowed thee. A -
 claim the crown, through Christ my own.

D N.C. D7 G N.C. C G $\frac{Am}{C}$ $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

love! how can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 maz-ing love! how can it be that thou, my