ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP

All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2026 - 11:00 AM

(Please feel free to remain seated)

GATHERING: Rev. Keith Bethell

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you!

WELCOME

SPECIAL MUSIC: "We'll Understand It Better By and By" by Jeffrey Fox
Boston Avenue Festival Ringers

OPENING PRAYER: Liturgist

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: Liturgist

One: Lift up your hearts!
All: We lift them up to the Lord!
One: Let's stand and sing together.

(Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able)

SONG: "Your Grace Is Enough" by Matt Maher

1.
Great is Your faithfulness, O God;
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy
And nothing can keep us apart.

2.
So, remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise O God.

3.
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough.
Your grace is enough, for me.

4.
Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob;
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,
And all Your people sing along.

5.
So, remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise O God.

6.
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough.
Your grace is enough, for me.
(x2)

7.
So, remember Your people,
Remember Your children,
Remember Your promise O God.

8.
Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough.
Your grace is enough, for me.

9.
Yeah, Your grace is enough;
Heaven reaches out to us.
Your grace is enough for me.
God, I sing: Your grace is enough;
I'm covered in Your love.
Your grace is enough for me for me, for me.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Liturgist
A New Creed (1968) - United Church of Canad

All:

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.

We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

SONG: "Rising Sun" by All Sons & Daughters

1.
Praise Him, all you sinners;
Sing, oh sing, you weary;
Oh, praise Him all you children of God.

2.
We lift high His glory
Shown throughout our stories;
We praise Him as the children of God.

3.
Our great Redeemer, glorious Savior,
Your Name is higher than the rising sun;
Light of the morning, You shine forever;
Your Name is higher than the rising sun;
Your Name is higher than the rising sun.

4.
Praise His Name forever;
Speak it loud and clear now;
Oh, praise Him, all you children of God.

5.
Our great Redeemer, glorious Savior,
Your Name is higher than the rising sun;
Light of the morning, You shine forever;
Your Name is higher than the rising sun;
Your Name is higher than the rising sun.

6.
Oh, oh, oh, oh.
Hallelujah, name above all,
Simply to speak Your Name is praise.
Hallelujah, now and always,
Forever we lift Your Name in praise.
Hallelujah, our God You reign,
Simply to speak Your Name is praise, oh.

7.
Our great Redeemer, glorious Savior,
Your Name is higher than the rising sun;
Light of the morning, You shine forever;
Your Name is higher than the rising sun;
Your Name is higher than the rising sun.

OFFERTORY: Rev. Keith Bethell

If you are visiting this morning, the greatest gift you could offer is to please complete one of the attendance cards located on your seat. Please place the card in the offering plate during the offertory. Providing us with your name and contact information will give us the gift and opportunity to connect with you.

ALL SAINTS DAY PRAYER: Rev. Keith Bethell
Written by Rev. Dr. Sam Powers

All: **Eternal God,**
We thank you for those who have walked this life with us
and now rest from their labors.
They have impacted our faith in ways
that we may not even fully recognize.

We count ourselves among their families,
whether biological or spiritual,
and we give thanks for the faith which lifted them in our early life
and now lifts them in the life eternal.
Help us to hold onto this same faith today, O God.
We name them before you now, out of our love and respect for them.
As we grieve our loss, we recognize that in the mystery of your love,
in the power of your spirit,
we are one with them. Amen.

Les Barnes
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PRAYER SONG: "God With Us" by Ingram & Jordan

1.
Oh, You've come to bring peace,
To be Love, To be nearer to us.
You've come to bring life,
To be Light, To shine brighter in us.
Oh, Emmanuel, God with us.

2.
Our Deliverer, You are Savior.
In Your presence, we find our strength
Over ev'rything, our Redemption,
God with us.
You are God with us.

3.
Oh, You've come to be Hope
to this world, For Your honor and name.
And You've come to take sin
To bear shame, And to conquer the grave.
Oh, Emmanuel, God with us

4.
Our Deliverer, You are Savior.
In Your presence, we find our strength
Over ev'rything, our Redemption,
God with us.
You are God with us.

5.
You are here. You are holy.
We are standing in Your glory (Lord).
(x4)

6.
Our Deliverer, You are Savior.
In Your presence, we find our strength
Over ev'rything, our Redemption,
God with us.
You are God with us.
(x2)

Oh, God with us.
You are God with us.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Rev. Keith Bethell

We invite you into a time of prayer and reflection. You may light candles for your intentions, sing, or sit in silent contemplation. However it is that you feel like connecting with God in this moment, the Lord says, "come to me."

One: Lord in your mercy…

All: Hear our prayer.

(Please stand)

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: Revelation 7:9-17 (NRSVUE)
Liturgist

One: The words of life for God's people.
All: Thanks be to God!

(Please be seated)

SERMON: "For All The Saints"
Rev. Keith Bethell

CONSECRATION OF THE ELEMENTS: Rev. Keith Bethell
(Posted on Waiting for Water: Liturgy for The Easter Journey 2013)

Minister: ...Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

All: **Merciful God,**
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Minister: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**
Glory to God. Amen.

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

We celebrate an open table. All who are led to live a Christian life are welcome.
All bread is gluten-free. If you would like to receive communion but are unable to come forward to the altar, please raise your hand, and the elements will be brought to you.

SONG DURING COMMUNION: "All Who Are Thirsty" by Roberts & Brown

1.
All who are thirsty, all who are weak,
Come to the fountain.
Dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow
Be washed away
In the waves of His mercy
As deep cries out to deep (we sing)
Come, Lord Jesus, come. (x4)

2.
All who are thirsty, all who are weak,
Come to the fountain.
Dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow
Be washed away
In the waves of His mercy
As deep cries out to deep (we sing)
Come, Lord Jesus, come. (x4)
Holy Spirit, come. (x4)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING: Rev. Keith Bethell

All: **Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CLOSING SONG: "The Blessing" by Brown, Carnes, Jobe, & Furtick

1.
The Lord bless you
And keep you,
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you.
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace.

2.
Amen, amen, amen.
Amen, amen, amen.
nd their children

3.
The Lord bless you
And keep you,
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you.
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace.

4.
Amen, amen, amen.
Amen, amen, amen.
(x2)

CLOSING SONG: "The Blessing" by Brown, Carnes, Jobe, & Furtick

5.
May his favor be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family, And your children
And their children, And their children

6.
May his presence, Go before you
And behind you, And beside you
All around you, And within you
He is with you, He is with you

7.
In the morning, In the evening
In your coming, And your going
In your weeping, And rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you
He is for you, He is for you

8.
Amen, amen, amen.
Amen, amen, amen.

9.
May his presence, Go before you
And behind you, And beside you
All around you, And within you
He is with you, He is with you

10.
In the morning, In the evening
In your coming, And your going
In your weeping, And rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you

BENEDICTION: Rev. Keith Bethell

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

GRIEF COMPANIONING TRAINING
Friday, November 13th
Learn how to better support people experiencing grief through an intensive Grief Companioning Training at Boston Avenue UMC, November 13-15. Whether you're interested in becoming a grief companion, supporting a loved one, or deepening your understanding of grief and loss, this training offers practical tools and resources. The $85 registration fee includes four books, and scholarships may be available. Additional sessions will be offered January 15-17 and February 19-21, 2027. To register, ask questions, or inquire about scholarships, contact Angelyn Dale at angelyndale@bostonavenue.org or (918) 583-5181.

OPEN TABLES
Saturday, November 15th
The first dinner of Open Tables for the 2026-27 season will be Sunday, November 15 at 5:30 p.m. at Boston Ave UMC in Jubilee Gym. Bring a food dish to share (no pork please). A nursery for 2-5 year-olds will be provided, but please indicate when you register how many children will utilize it. Games, books, and art supplies will be available for the older children. Open Tables provides a safe opportunity to share a meal and dialogue with our friends of other faiths. Register online by November 11 at **https://bit.ly/OpenTablesTulsa.**

TTW PETER PAN JR. AUDITIONS
November 19 & 21
Calling all young performers! Students ages 7–18 (grades 2–12) are invited to audition for Peter Pan JR., a beloved musical filled with magic, adventure, and iconic songs. Performers of all abilities and experience levels are welcome!

Auditions will be held November 19 from 6–9 p.m. and November 21 from 9 a.m.–noon at Boston Avenue UMC. Learn more and sign up at **https://www.tulsatheatreworks.org/.** Questions? Email info@tulsatheatreworks.org

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Visit bostonavenue.org or text "BAUMC" to (918) 351-2929 to make a one-time gift or set up recurring giving to the fund of your choice. Thanks for your generosity!

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

If you need us to pray for you or someone you care about, fill out a prayer request card, call our 24-hour prayer line, (918) 699-0158, use the "connect" tab under our "Boston Avenue UMC" smartphone app, or go to **http://bit.ly/BAUMCPrayerRequest**

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Rob Reck, Bass
Blaire Hines, Drums

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National Suicide and Crisis Lifeline - 988
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