ASTORIA Community Church

November 2, 2025, All Saints Day www.AstoriaChurch.org

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 149

Leader: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,

his praise in the assembly of the godly!

People: Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King! Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!

Leader: For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;

he adorns the humble with salvation.

People: Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for

joy on their beds. SONG OF PRAISE

"A mighty fortress" (see insert)

PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Christ calls us to share the heavenly banquet of his love with all the saints in earth and heaven. Knowing our unworthiness and sin, let us ask from him both mercy and forgiveness.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive us our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful. Have mercy on us, your faithless servants. Keep before us faithful people for us to follow so that, by your Holy Spirit, we may grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to the praise of your holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ephesians 2:19-22

You are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

SONG OF PRAISE

"I sing a song of the saints of God"

I sing a song of the saints of God, Patient and brave and true, Who toiled and fought and lived and died For the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, And one was a shepherdess on the green; They were all of them saints of God, and I mean, God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, And his love made them strong; And they followed the right for Jesus' sake The whole of their good lives long. And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, And one was slain by a fierce wild beast; And there's not any reason, no, not the least, Why I shouldn't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past;
There are hundreds of thousands still.
The world is bright with the joyous saints
Who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them in school,
On the street, in the store,
In church, by the sea, in the house next door;
They are saints of God, whether rich or poor,
and I mean to be one too. GRAND ISLE: Scott

PASSING THE PEACE

**Children Pre-K - 3rd Grade are dismissed for Sunday school. **

OLD TESTAMENT READING Daniel 7:1-3, 9-10, 13-18 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head as he lay in his bed. Then he wrote down the dream and told the sum of the matter. Daniel declared, "I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the great sea. And four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another....As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and came out from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment,

and the books were opened....I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days

and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom,

that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed. As for me, Daniel, my spirit within me was anxious, and the visions of my head alarmed me. I approached one of those who stood there and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of the things. 'These four great beasts are four kings who shall arise out of the earth. But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, forever and ever.'"

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 1:11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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People: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF RESPONSE "The same power"

There is power in his name For the stone was rolled away. Mountains bow down before Jesus Christ, our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Mighty Savior lifted high, King forever, Jesus Christ. Crowned in glory, raised to life; The same power lives in us. (The same power lives in us)

We will rise, stand and sing Of our great and matchless King. Seated high on the throne, You shall reign forevermore, You shall reign forevermore.

The grave could not contain the power of his name. Death you overcame once and for all. Cantelon, Herbert

"Our God saves"

In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son, In the name of the Spirit, Lord we come.

We're gather'd together to lift up your name.

To call on our Savior, to fall on your grace,

Hear the joyful sound of our offering.

As your saints bow down, as your people sing.

We will rise with you, lifted on your wings,

And the world will see that:

Our God saves. Our God saves.
There is hope in your name.
Mourning turns to songs of praise.
Our God saves. Our God saves. Brown: Baloche

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give him thanks and praise. It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth:

God of Abraham and Sarah,
God of Miriam and Moses,
God of Joshua and Deborah,
God of Ruth and David,
God of the priests and prophets,
God of Mary and Joseph,
God of the apostles and martyrs,
God of our mothers and fathers,
God of our children to all generations.

Leader: God of the ages, we praise you for all your servants, who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God. For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to your truth,

People: we praise you, O God.

Leader: For all your servants who have faithfully served you, witnessed bravely, and died in faith, who are still shining lights in the world,

People: we praise you, O God.

Leader: For the reformers of your church, who faithfully studied your Word, who were eager to live simply, who endeavored to serve their neighbors,

People: we praise you, O God.

Leader: For those we have known and loved, for all who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus,

People: we praise you, O God.

Leader: Keep us grateful for their witness, and, like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at last, bring us together to share in the inheritance of the saints of light,

People: through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Malachi 3:13-18 ESV

¹³ "Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' ¹⁴ You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? ¹⁵ And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape." ¹⁶ Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. ¹⁷ "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸ Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him."

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "The Fear of the Lord Revives Us"

Pastor Jim Fredere

OFFERTORY

THE LORD'S TABLE

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. **Leader:** Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Leader: It is always right and proper, and our moral duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty and Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the inhabitants of heaven, we honor and adore your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying:

People: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts!

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Glory be to you, O Lord, most high. Amen

The Gloria Patri

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER

Leader: Christ our Passover has been

sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come

eat and drink with thanksgiving.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Bread is gluten-free. Outer cups - juice. Inner rings - wine. Pews will be released from the back by ushers to come forward.

MUSIC OF COMMITMENT "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; Thou, Lord their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers faithful, true, and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine, Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on his way. 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! SINE NOMINE; How

BENEDICTION Colossians 1:11-12

May you be strengthened with all power according to God's glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VISITORS: We are so glad that you joined us for worship. If you are a visitor, please email admin@astoriachurch.org to be added to our email list. We send out a weekly electronic newsletter and other announcement emails.

NEED PRAYER?: Leaders will be available up front after the service.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS CHOIRS LOOKING FOR

SINGERS: Our adult and children's choirs will begin rehearsing **TODAY**, after the service. Singers of all levels of experience welcomed. If you are interested or have any questions, please email Linnea Kickasola at music@astoriachurch.org. She will be sending out more details soon.

MEN OF ACC: Please join for dinner at IHOP on 31st St near Ditmars for the Burger and Fries deal of \$9 on Monday, Nov 3rd at 6:30PM. Invite a friend.

CHESS CLUB: The next chess club will be Saturday, November 15 from 2-4PM at Astoria First Art House. Contact Eddie at bkln645@gmail.com to be added to his email list.

FALL COMMUNITY GROUPS: The primary way we facilitate deep connection here at ACC is through Community Groups. Fall Community Groups have started but it's not too late to join one. See the newsletter to sign up.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We still have a need for 2-3 more nursery workers in order to keep the nursery open every Sunday. Please consider helping out once a month or every other month. Contact Andrea at admin@astoriachurch.org.

HEART FOR MUSLIM'S CONFERENCE: Saturday, November 15 from 9-4 at Redeemer West Side building, 150 West 83rd Street in Manhattan. See newsletter for details.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: For the Community Resource Harvest Fair on **Saturday, November 22nd from 11am – 5pm** at the Connected Chef in Woodside. Resources, turkey giveaway and workshops! If you are interested in helping, please email Andrea at diaconate@astoriachurch.org.

SAVE THE DATE: Hour Children will be holding their annual Holiday Party on Saturday, December 13th, 2025. Please mark your calendars to volunteer at this fun event! A sign up link will be provided in the weeks ahead.

HELP SUPPORT NEIGHBORS WITHOUT

KITCHENS: The Hour Children Food Pantry is more than just a source of groceries—it's a lifeline for many families in our community. We are accepting donations of microwaveable items every Sunday for the pantry. Items may be dropped off in the green bin in the lobby. We need pouches – bean/lentil, salmon, chicken, tuna and noodle soups. NO CANS, NO PEANUT BUTTER & NO COLD CEREAL please.

Questions? Please speak to Miriam or email her at

Questions? Please speak to Miriam or email her at mtielmann@ymail.com. Thank you for your continued generosity and compassion!

WELCOME TO ASTORIA COMMUNITY CHURCH

WORSHIP: Sundays, 10:30AM (Mixed Style) MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 2102, Astoria, NY 11102 WORSHIP and OFFICE LOCATION: Astoria Center of Israel 27-35 Crescent Street, Astoria, NY 11102

ESL and YOUTH GROUP LOCATION: Astoria First Art House 23-35 Broadway, Ground Floor Offices, btw 23rd and Crescent

Streets, West Entrance PHONE: 718-721-3440

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MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Andrea Mungo (admin@astoriachurch.org)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Carin Fredere (ACCKids@astoriachurch.org)

YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Jim Fredere (youth@astoriachurch.org)

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Helpful Information:

Babies, Children and Youth Ministries

We provide nursery during our worship service. Sunday School class happens 30 minutes into the service, Sept - June. Our Youth Group meets on Fridays, Sept - June. The last Sunday of every month is Family Sunday (no class provided.) See below for more info.

God's Seeds: During worship. Nursery is provided for newborns – 3 year olds. Andrea Mungo, admin@astoriachurch.org. God's Seedlings (Pre-K – 3rd Grade): Sunday School class happens 30 minutes into the worship service. Carin Fredere, acckids@astoriachurch.org. (Sept – June)

Youth Group - Grades 6 - 12: Jim Fredere, youth@astoriachurch.org, on Fridays (Sept – June)

Community Groups

Small groups that meet on Zoom and in person for fellowship, Bible study, and prayer. Email jim@astoriachurch.org for info.

Financial Need

Members of the Diaconate team are available to meet with you if you have a financial need. Please email Diaconate@astoriachurch.org or call 718-721-3440.

English as a Second Language Classes

Saturdays 10-11:30AM (on zoom) and Wednesdays 6:30-8PM (in person) Info: QueensESL@gmail.com

Outreach and Helps Ministries

If you have a practical need, email **Helps@astoriachurch.org**. For the **Meals Ministry**, email **accmeals@gmail.com**. For info on service opportunities email **Diaconate@astoriachurch.org**.

Men's and Women's Ministry

Info for women, contact: women@astoriachurch.org Info for men, contact: jim@astoriachurch.org