



November 1, 2020

All Saints Day

9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Andante No. 2

~ H. Cutler
Keith Ciccone, Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Frady

INTROIT

Give Thanks

Valerie Johnson, Soprano

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

As we gather, we remember that we are not alone!

**We gather with the saints, who live in the presence of God,
singing praises to the God of our salvation.**

From every nation, race, clan, and culture, God's people gather to worship.

**To God and to the Lamb, all honor, glory, wisdom, thanksgiving,
strength and power.**

Blessed be God, now and Forever! Amen!

Amen!

HYMN

For All the Saints

* Indicates all who are able may stand

Please silence your cell phones

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)**

Gracious God, Creator of all: on this All Saints' Day we are in awe of those who have gone before us. We think of your people—those of great accomplishments and those unknown—who have sought to open themselves to your love and compassion, and to share that with others. Help us, set apart from the world by our love for Christ, to live the ideals to which we are called. Help us to celebrate the simple blessedness of being your people. Help us to continue being saints. Amen.

***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.*

REMEMBRANCE OF SAINTS

Honoring Nancy Benjamin, Estelle MacDonald, Jim Lynch, and all our loved ones who have gone to dwell among the saints in heaven.

LORD'S PRAYER

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 for ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 6: 1-11

SERMON

“The Holy Ones”

Rev. Michael Frady

MUSIC RESPONSE

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Grace Reinelt
(Read by Jean Opie)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures, here, below.
Praise Him, above, ye heav'nly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving God, receive these gifts of love, as celebrations of your presence in our lives. Shine through our gifts and our ministry, that others may see light for their journey. Live through our gifts and our ministry, that all may experience your loving presence. Amen.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Hymn *You Satisfy My Hungry Heart*

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we live in a world that is beset with violence, division, and greed. Sometimes we get so swept up in the negativity that we lose our way. Sometimes we celebrate the things that separate us, while ignoring those foundational things that we have in common with one another. Forgive us when we are self-centered and forgive us when we stray from your direction in our lives. Restore us and return us to paths of righteousness. Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Consecration

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***HYMN**

When the Saints Go Marching In

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Voluntary

~ G. Crass





WELCOME to this Service of Worship at First Congregational Church. Of all the things you could have done this morning, we're glad you chose to be with us.



About Today's Service: We are happy to be back in the Sanctuary for in-person worship. We are also live-streaming today's service for those who can not attend in person.

Subscribe to the First Church YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTaGrBGnYzfM66pS7Bd4PvA>

Prayer Lists are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Non-perishable Food Pantry donations are collected for The Marge Crispin Center on the first Wednesday of the Month in front of the church. Contact free! Just drive by and drop. Or place your donations in the basket in LPH or the Narthex. Thank you!

First Congregational Church is handicapped accessible. Please see an usher if you need assistance with the elevator.

Televised Worship Services are broadcast on BCAM: Verizon Channel 28, Comcast Channel 9, on Saturday at 8:00 AM and Sunday at 10:00 AM.

First Church Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00am—1:00pm.



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FIRST CHURCH BRAINTREE ANNOUNCEMENTS



UPCOMING MEETINGS (ALL ON ZOOM)

PRUDENTIAL TEAM - Tuesday, November 10 at 7:00pm

WORSHIP MINISTRY—Tuesday, November 17 at 7:00pm

LEADERSHIP—Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00pm

YOUTH GROUP— NOT MEETING TODAY

ATTENTION FIRST CHURCH MEMBERS:

You should have received an important mailing in the last day or two. There are two items that need your immediate attention, one regarding a congregational vote to call Suzy Aja Burba as Associate Minister and one regarding the annual stewardship appeal. Thank you in advance for your prompt reply to these important letters. If you are an active member of First Church and you have not received the letter then please call Deb in the office on Monday.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY
FOOD DRIVE**

Contact **Free** Drive & Drop

Donate Non-Perishables To Help Braintree Residents

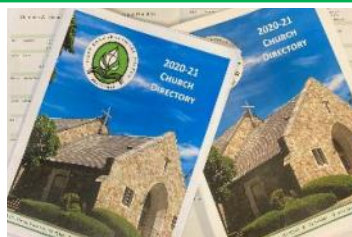


THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
5:00 p.m.— 7:00 p.m.
In front of First Congregational Church
12 Elm Street, Braintree
781-843-3616
www.firstchurchbraintree.com

Next Wednesday,
November 4th
Tell your friends!
Drive & Drop...

Sunday School Heifer Project

Just 2 weeks left until the deadline for the Sunday School's mission project to help Heifer International! **The fundraiser will wrap up on Sunday, November 15.** Our loose change and extra dollars add up to make a real impact, especially during such a trying time, globally. Thank you for your participation in helping us make a meaningful difference.



The 2020-21 Church Directory is Here!

You should already have your copy of the new directory, either by mail or picked up last week. If you didn't get one, please contact Deb in the office so she can send you one (and figure out why you didn't get one to begin with!)