# Welcome to Harwich United Methodist Church

## November 1, 2026
## All Saints Sunday

**~~Gathering & Welcome~~**

**Sharing Joys and Concerns**
**Prelude**
**Call to Worship**

L: We are chosen children of God, bound together by the Holy Spirit.
**P: We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.**
L: As we gather to remember the saints who formed us in the faith, we give thanks for their living witnesses to God's love, showing us that:
**P: We belong to God, and through God, we live as family in Christ, bound together by Love.**
L: We give thanks for the influence of the saints in our lives who demonstrated God's love and saving grace, so that we could know in our bones that:
**P: We belong to God, and through God, we are saved to love one another.**
L: Come, let us worship God who blesses us with witnesses to divine love that we may be witnesses of Love with everyone we meet.
**P: We come to worship God who chooses us, empowers us, and inspires us to live as witnesses of Love in communion with the saints of every age. Amen.**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2026.*

***Opening Hymn "For All the Saints" #711**

**Morning Prayer**

**God, our Teacher, please instruct us in the ways of humility and love. Help us to live in community with one another rather than in competition with each**

**other. Give us your heart for serving our neighbor. Assure us of your abiding presence and release us from the hierarchies of this world. May your kin-dom come with power and gentleness as we strive to live as embodied witnesses of the good news in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

*Adapted from Cheryl A. Lindsay on the Worship Ways website of the United Church of Christ.*

**Responsorial Psalm** **Psalm 34:1-9, 22 (Response 2)** **#769**

***Affirmation of Faith** **Apostle's Creed** **#882**

**Gloria Patri** **#70**

**All Saints Candle Lighting and Litany (see insert)**

## ~~The Church Proclaims the Word~~

**Scripture Readings** **Revelation 9:9-17** **1 John 3:1-3**
**Anthem** **"The Beatitudes"** **M. Wilson**
**Gospel Lesson** **Matthew 5:1-12**
L: The Word of God for the People of God.
**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Message** **"What Are Your "Great Ordeals"** **Pastor Dianne**
***Hymn** **"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"** **#712**

## ~~ Response to the Word~~

**Invitation**

**Prayer of Confession and Pardon**

Beloved, we are God's children now, but what we will be in the fullness of our time has not been revealed. What we do know is this: we will be like Jesus the Christ and saints of God. Let us consider how Jesus was revealed among us and pray to be more like the Christ in every way. Jesus embodied the unconditional love of God…

Therefore We pray, **may we be more like Jesus.**
Jesus fed those who were hungry… and We pray, **may we be more like Jesus.**
Jesus drew near to those living on the margins & excluded…, **may we be more like Jesus.**
Jesus brought healing and wholeness to those in need…We pray, **may we be more like Jesus.**

Jesus hungered and thirsted for righteousness…We pray, **may we be more like Jesus**.

**Passing the Peace**

**Offertory**
**Offering**
***Doxology "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" #94**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**
Eternal God, we give you thanks for the saints whose lives bore witness to your grace and whose faith still shapes the church we share today. Use our voices to give witness to what we have seen of your love and mercy. Strengthen your church, that our lives may also become a testimony to your living Word at work among us. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

L: The Lord be with you.
**P: And also, with you.**
L: Lift up your hearts.
**P: We lift them up to the Lord.**
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
**P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**Responses:**

1. **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**
2. **Christ has died, Christ is Risen, Christ will Come again**
3. **Amen**

**The Lord's Prayer**
**Communion**

## ~~The Church Goes Forth~~

***Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" #545**
***Benediction**
***Parting Hymn "God Be With You" #672**
**Postlude**

**You are welcome here. No matter who you are. No matter what.**

**Liturgist:** Rev. David Purdy
**Ushers:** John & Leslie Albee
**Fellowship Time:** Wendy

## Scripture for November 8, 2026

Josh 24:1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78:1-7; 1 Thess 4:13-18; Matt 25:1-13

## Calendar

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| **Today** | All Saints Sunday |
| **Today** | All Church Conference 2:30-4:30pm at South Yarmouth United Methodist Church 318 Old Main Street, South Yarmouth |
| **Wed 11/4** | United Methodist Women's Group Meeting 1pm |
| **Sun 11/15** | Administrative Council Meeting 11:15am |
| **Sat 11/21** | Church Christmas Fair 10-2pm |
| **Sun 11/22** | Thanksgiving Pot Luck Luncheon 11:15am |
| **Sun 11/29** | Dress a Live Doll Wrapping Party 11:15am |
| **Sun 11/29** | First Sunday of Advent |

## Announcements

- Please continue to collect Attic Treasures and Jewelry to donate and/or consider baking for our Christmas Fair (Nov. 21)
- Please see Pat Thayer to purchase Stop & Shop or Shaw's Gift Cards.
- Let us know what your favorite hymns are: fill out the cards in the pews and place in the collection plate or email the church office at harwichumc@gmail.com

**Grieving:** Family & Friends of Kathleen Sullivan (re: Carolyn Dickinson)
Family & Friends of Carole Porter's Father

**Prayers:** Joan Felahi, Don Gould, Dan & Lil Murphy, Ruth Zeller, Jim Mulligan & Mary Dulemba, Roger & Gerry Di Gesu, Laurie Bonin; Herb Bell; Bill Bly & Maryanne Timmins; Kathie (re: Mary Dulemba); Hugh Dykens & Family; Family and Community of the victims of the school shooting in Bend, Oregon.
People around the world caught in war & unrest.

**Litany of Remembrance**

Living God, our Guide and Guardian, who sits on the throne and delivers us into eternal life, we give you thanks for the saints whose witness has shaped our lives who now rest in the shelter of your embrace.

As we remember those saints who have died and entered into glory, we remember their witness to your love and grace with joy and gratitude.

We bless you for the life and love of these dear saints, and rejoice that they have entered into the fullness of life in your presence. Continue to form and shape us as your disciples. We honor them now by lifting their names aloud or in our hearts. On this All-Saints Sunday, we remember that we too are living saints, members of the family of God with all the saints of the past, the present, and the future. And so, we proclaim:

**We are God's children, witnesses of God's word that is at work in us and in the saints who have gone before. Today and every day, may we put on Christ and live as saints who tend the poor, comfort the mourners, learn from the meek, affirm those who seek righteousness, offer mercy alongside the merciful, and work for peace with the peacemakers until Christ comes in final victory and we feast as the family of God at Christ's heavenly banquet. Amen.**

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# In Memory:

Shirley Bauer
Larry Bauer
Mike Bauer
Graham Bell Sr.
Barbara Bell
Pierre Bonin
Philip Brothers
Betsy Cabral
Jim Chase
Doris Chatterton
Elizabeth Cotter
Kathi Diaz
Al Diaz
Helen Diaz
Albert Diaz
Ron Dickinson
Frances Di Gesu
Gerald Di Gesu
Carole A Dunbar
Lisa Flaherty
Donald Freeman
Nathaniel Freeman
Barbara A Gada
Frank J Gada
Fred Gonsalves
Mary Gould
Chris Green
Joseph Green
Linda Guinen
Dick Harrrington
Janet Lee Johnson
Frank Kullberg Jr.
Robert Kullberg
Doris Lader
Albert Lader
Laurie Lowell
Molly McKenzie
Patricia Parker
Patricia Paysow
Robert Porter
Evelyn Rita
Gerald Rita
Al Safford
Mr & Mrs D Smith
Joseph Sonek
Theresa Sonek
Marilyn Sonek
Lynn Sonek
Colin Stevenson
Chuck Storer
Kathleen Sullivan
Ginni Wright
Jean Young

## November Birthdays (no anniversaries)

1 Dot Harrington
4 Logan Finlay
7 Greg Legeyt, Sr.
8 Joan Felahi
27 Rev. Dianne Carpenter

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