

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He, Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God has willed His truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure. One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth; Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still, His kingdom is forever.

***Charge & Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

May the love of God dwell in your heart;
May the grace of Christ uphold you in faith;
May the Holy Spirit equip you for ministry; until Christ's kingdom, already in view, comes in fullness among us.

***Response: "Shalom"**

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, Kami no mi megumi. *(Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, may we be blessed with grace from God.)*

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom yuta kani, yuta kani, yuta kani. *(Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, abundantly, abundantly, abundantly.)*

In Appreciation:

Greeters:	Ian Davis, Mieke Davis
Ushers:	Donna Komure-Toyama, William Yee
Parking:	Phillip Chew
Sound System:	Cathy Nishizaki
Zoom Moderator/Greeter:	Lori Hart
Altar Flowers:	Dave McGill



The Celebration of Worship

November 1, 2026 • All Saints Sunday

Worship Team

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave
Worship Leader:	Jack Nordman
Pianist:	Janet Hill
Choir Conductor:	Ben Pryor
Japanese Reader:	Mieke Davis
Communion Elders:	Carla Hart, Cathy Nishizaki
Y.E.S.:	Jake Chang

Centering Prayer for Worship

We praise You, oh God, for Your goodness that has created us, Your grace that has sustained us, and Your saving love that has redeemed us.

God of all saints, we offer our hearts to You, the One who loves us. As we worship, we empty ourselves so we can be filled with grace. In the renewal of our lives make known Your glory; Feed us by your Word and Sacrament, so that we shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that He may be known, worshiped, and honored in every heart. Amen.

Prelude

Janet Hill

***Introit**

All: Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit make us one. Let Your love flow so the world will know, we are one in You.

** Those who can, please stand*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Call to Worship

Jack Nordman

Leader: God of the ages, we praise You for all Your servants who faithfully serve You and bring Your Divine Light into our world.

People: We give You thanks for saints of every time and place. We gather to our hearts all those who have influenced our lives with their love and goodness.

Leader: Like them, keep us eager to follow in the way of Christ, the Light of all Lights, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

All: Holy God, we praise You for the radiance of Your glory brought into our world by all the saints, and most perfectly by Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Opening Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”** (#138)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Opportunity To Present Offerings

All: Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because God’s given Jesus Christ, God’s Son. (Repeat) And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say, “I am rich” because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat) Give thanks. Give thanks.

***Doxology**

All: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Jack Nordman

Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Congregation

All: Our Parent Who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

***Sending Hymn: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” (#260)**

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe.
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God’s
own choosing.

Refrain.

For gay and for straight, a place at the table, a covenant shared,
a welcoming space, a rainbow of race and gender and color,
for gay and for straight, the chalice of grace,

Refrain.

For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and
simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free,

Refrain.

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

- from the Iona Community

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 God our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Words of Institution
Receiving the Elements
Prayer after Communion



Invitation to Confession

Jack Nordman

Leader: Our holy God, Who loves compassion and justice, calls us to help those who suffer, and to honor all people. God promises to help us, and to do abundantly more than we can ever hope or imagine. With faith in God's kindness and power, let's draw near to God in prayer.

Prayer of Confession

Jack Nordman

Leader: We know, gracious God, that we cannot mend all the torn places in the fabric of our country by ourselves. We know, too, Almighty God, that nothing is impossible for You.

People: God, we're worried about the way our country is going, about all the ugly rhetoric, cruelty and harmful lies that are being called not only truth, but Your Truth.

Leader: You call us to do the holy work of justice: of repair and reconciliation, of forgiveness and peace. You command us to love our neighbors and love our enemies.

People: Forgive us for tolerating unloving behavior in our candidates and leaders. Forgive us for hating those who offend us, or harm us or others.

All: God of justice, as we vote and wait, pray and work, help us remember Your people through the ages who climbed mountains of injustice and crossed bridges of racial bigotry with faith and love. May we follow Jesus and see Him in all people. Turn all hearts toward You and heal our nation. Amen.

A Time for Silent Contemplation

This time of quiet is offered to encourage you to share your personal thoughts with God as well as listen to God through the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Assurance of God's Grace

Jack Nordman

Leader: God's life-changing Spirit moves in our hearts so that barriers that divide us may fall and hatreds end.

People: Holy God, as You bring healing to our nation and world, begin with us, so we can make of this old world a new world.

All: Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***Response to God's Forgiveness:** Glory to God, Whose
Goodness Shines on Me (#582 Glory to God hymnal)

All Sing: Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace** Jack Nordman

Leader: As the forgiven and redeemed people of God, let us
share our peace and joy with one another. The peace of Christ
be with you.

All: And also with you.

Choir Song

“For All the Saints”

Children's Message Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

Unison Prayer of Guidance

All: Now may the words of our mouths, the meditations
of our hearts, the interpretation of our minds, and the
response of our hands be acceptable to You, our Lord and
our Redeemer. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading (Japanese) Mieko Davis

*This first reading is recited in Japanese to honor our church founders, who
established this church in 1912 in the original Japantown of Sacramento.*

Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by
prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to
God. And the peace of God, which transcends all
understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ
Jesus.

2nd Scripture Reading

Jack Nordman

1 Timothy 2:1-4

The first thing I want you to do is pray. Pray every way you
know how, for everyone you know. Pray especially for rulers
and their governments to rule well so we can go quietly about
our business of living simply, in humble contemplation. This is
the way our Savior God wants us to live. God desires all people
to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Sermon and 3rd Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Sarah Nave

“Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?”

Luke 6:27-31

Jesus said, “But I say to you who are listening: Love your
enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse
you; pray for those who mistreat you. If anyone strikes you on
the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes
away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to
everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is
yours, do not ask for it back again. Do to others as you would
have them do to you.”

Musical Interlude

Janet Hill

Communion Hymn: “For Everyone Born” (#769 Glory to
God hymnal)

For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born,
clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for
growing, for everyone born, a star overhead,

Refrain. And God will delight when we are creators of justice
and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we
are creators of justice, justice and joy!

For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles,
deciding the share, with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair,