

Passing the Peace  
Tithes and Offering

Offertory  
\*Doxology Prayer of Dedication

Bob Gredlics  
#95 UMH

**We Go Forth Into The World**

Hymn of Preparation "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" #614 UMH

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Page 15, in the Hymnal

\*Into the World Song "When the Saints Go Marching In" (Please See Insert)

\*Benediction

\*Into the World Music "Amazing Grace" Bethany Perkins

*\*Please stand if you are able*

**Reflections for the Week...**

- ✚ Who are the 'saints' that guided your faith path?
- ✚ What was it about their lives that encouraged you?
- ✚ Are there those for whom you may be considered a saint?
- ✚ What have you done/ how have you lived that you might be seen that way by others?

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# Thornton Heights United Methodist Church



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November 6, 2016

**Morning Worship**  
November 6, 2016  
25th Sunday after Pentecost  
All Saints Day

**We Gather In God's Spirit**

**Gathering Music:** *"All Hail King Jesus/All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"* Bethany Perkins

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit** *"How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely"* THUMC Choir

**\*Call to Worship**

WOMEN/GIRLS: We gather this morning to celebrate the  
lives of persons we name as saints.

MEN/BOYS: Some of them are living, others have  
completed their physical lives here on earth.

WOMEN/GIRLS: some have touched us personally, others  
have touched and called into question the  
institutions and structures of our society.

MEN/BOYS: But *all* have shaken our being – all have been  
examples of lives of wholeness, working for justice.

ALL: We celebrate these persons and their lives in all  
aspects of God's creation.

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**Opening Prayer** *Unison*

Timeless God, we thank you for all those before us who have kept the faith to the end. We thank you for brave souls of deathless fame, and also for those whose names are remembered only by you. Give us wisdom to understand your will, and courage to live as your people in this day; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(RCD)

**Opening Hymn** *"And Are We Yet Alive"* #553 UMH

**A time for the child in all of us**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Hebrew Testament**

**Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18**

Sharon Ward

**Epistle**

**Ephesians 1:11-23**

**Gospel**

**Luke 6:20-31**

Rev. Ami Sawtelle

**The Word of God for the People of God**  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon** *Remembering the Saints*

Rev. Ami Sawtelle

*Remembering the saints who have died this year*

***"If Death My Friend and Me Divide"***

#656 UMH

**Hymn**

*"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"*

#712 UMH

**Community Prayer**

**Prayer of Confession**

LEADER: God, you send us saints...

**PEOPLE: And we imprison them, or nail them on  
crosses. Have mercy.**

LEADER: God, you send us saints...

**PEOPLE: And we persuade ourselves they are fools, or  
meddlers or incompetents. Have mercy.**

LEADER: God, you send us saints...

**PEOPLE: And we hate them for reminding us that our  
comfort requires the poverty of others.  
Have mercy.**

LEADER: God, you send us saints...

**PEOPLE: And we ignore them. Have mercy.**

***A time of silent reflection***

**Words of Assurance**

*Unison*

**God's Word to us is a word of forgiveness, a word of assurance, a word of grace. We are loved and accepted because we are we and God is God and nothing can finally separate us from our Creator, our Parent, our Sustainer. Amen.**

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