Faith Community United Methodist Church

5315 Harford Road Baltimore, MD 21214 Rev. Ronald S. Dodson, Sr.

Sunday, November 2,2025 21st Sunday After Pentecost All Saints Sunday 10 a.m. SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

WE GATHER FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

PRELUDE Keith Harmon

GREETING & VISITOR WELCOME

Wanda Mitchell

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

We come today as living beings created by the hands of a loving God.

O give thanks to the Lord our God!

We come today as triumphant Christians by the power of the resurrected Jesus.

O give thanks to the Lord our God!

We come today as people of God, whose banner over us is love.

O give thanks to the Lord our God!

Let us unite our voices and give thanks to the living God.

All: To God in the highest, hosanna, praise, and thanksgiving today, tomorrow, and forever!

*OPENING HYMN: UMH #451 "Be Thou My Vision"

PRAYER FOR ALL SAINTS: Almighty God, You have knit together your elect into one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your Son Christ. Grant us grace so to follow your holy saints in all virtuous and godly living, so that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which You have prepared for those who sincerely love You; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. [Adapted from *The Book of Common Prayer*]

[Silent prayers of confession and forgiveness of others]

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God! AMEN.

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: UMH p. 6

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

NEW TESTATMENT LESSON: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

We are ever-growing in Christ, inviting each one to make a difference

*GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 20:27-38

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Give Me Jesus" [Worship & Song #3140]

Refrain: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus, you may have all this world, give me Jesus.

- 1. In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, give me Jesus. Refrain
- 2. I heard my mother say, I heard my mother say, I heard my mother say, give me Jesus. Refrain
- 3. Dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. Refrain
- 4. Oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus. Refrain

HOMILY Pastor Ronald Dodson

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

COMMUNION HYMN: FWS #2268 "As We Gather at Your Table"

COMMUNION: UMH p.12-15

COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS

We acknowledge those members of our faith family who departed in the last year: Eric Colson and Willie Faulk As we light the candles, please lift up the names of loved ones who transitioned during the past year.

WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

PRAISE REPORTS

PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

WE OFFER THANKSGIVING

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY: UMH #95 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

WE DEPART TO SERVE

BLESSING WITH A MISSION

*CLOSING HYMN: FWS #2151 "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

<u>Thought for Your Journey:</u> We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 2:28

On my hardest days God's presence can bring me comfort and peace.

Scripture Lessons for November 9, 2025

- Haggai 1:15b-2:9
- Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21
- Thessalonians2:1-5, 13-17
- Luke 20:27-38

Announcements:

- ➤ Saturday November 15, 11 a.m. 1 p.m. Annual Church Conference at Grace UMC 5407 N. Charles Street. All are welcome to attend.
- Sunday November 16 Food Pantry Sunday. Our Food Pantry needs donations. Beginning in November, the 3rd Sunday of the month is designated as Food Pantry Sunday. See flyer for details.

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