PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God

(quiet personal prayer)

Father God, too often, we are not made free, because we have treated church attendance and general knowledge about You as if these things mean we have a fruitful relationship with You. But it is through our yielding to and following Your Word that we have a relationship with You and are set free.

So, Lord, forgive us of our sin against You. Forgive us for how our sin has impacted the world and others, for we have not loved You with all our heart and our neighbors as ourselves.

Lord Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross for our sin. Holy Spirit thank you for Your abiding presence, and for the grace we need to willingly submit to and obey the Father.

Now Blessed Trinity may the same grace that has led us to repentance this day, work in us that we may delight in Your will and walk fully in Your ways, all of our days, to the glory of Your name. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (liturgy on screen)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be always with you.

And also, with You

CORPORATE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed

HOLY COMMUNION (liturgy on screen)

THE BLESSING & SENDING



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We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

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Order of Worship Sunday, November 5, 2023

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

(Congregation responses spoken together appear in bold print.)

OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER

May our praise bring You glory and remind us of Your promises. We love You, Lord, we seek Your presence as we worship You. We give thanks to You, our Lord, and Savior Jesus Christ for another beautiful day that You have allowed us to come together. (prayer)

WORSHIP IN SONG (click the song title for a YouTube track)

Let Us Worship No One Higher Awesome

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, source of all light, by Your Word, You give to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that our hearts and minds may be opened to know Your truth and Your way.

Amen

SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 7:2-17 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word

(Quiet Reflection)

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 149 (NASB95)

Let the sons of Zion rejoice in their King.

³ Let them praise His name with dancing;

Let them sing praises to Him with timbrel and lyre.

⁴ For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the afflicted ones with salvation.

⁵Let the godly ones exult in glory;

Let them sing for joy on their beds.

⁶Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand,

⁷To execute vengeance on the nations And punishment on the peoples,

⁸ To bind their kings with chains And their nobles with fetters of iron,

⁹ To execute on them the judgment written;

This is an honor for all His godly ones. Praise the Lord!

(Quiet Reflection)

WORSHIP IN SONG: HYMN OF THE MONTH

Give Thanks | View the lyrics here

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 John 3:1-3 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word

GOSPEL READING: John 8:30-47 (NASB95)

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You Lord Christ

SERMON (10:45 a.m.) https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl

Authorities we want to remember specifically in prayer

US House of Rep – Majority Leader – Steve Scalise

US Minority Leader- Hakeem Jefferies

MO State House of Rep District 65 – Wendy Hausman

11th Judicial Court Assoc. Circuit Judge Div. 11- Philip Ohlms

¹ Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, *And* His praise in the congregation of the godly ones.

² Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

Continuing in the Truth & Freedom Part 2 (5 November 2023)	
John 8:30-47 (NASB95)	Pastor Michael Hammond Sr.

The Authority of Truth

By Oswald Chambers

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. —James 4:8

It is essential that you give people the opportunity to act on the truth of God. The responsibility must be left with the individual— you cannot act for him. It must be his own deliberate act, but the evangelical message should always lead him to action. Refusing to act leaves a person paralyzed, exactly where he was previously. But once he acts, he is never the same. It is the apparent folly of the truth that stands in the way of hundreds who have been convicted by the Spirit of God. Once I press myself into action, I immediately begin to live. Anything less is merely existing. The moments I truly live are the moments when I act with my entire will.

When a truth of God is brought home to your soul, never allow it to pass without acting on it internally in your will, not necessarily externally in your physical life. Record it with ink and with blood—work it into your life. The weakest saint who transacts business with Jesus Christ is liberated the second he acts and God's almighty power is available on his behalf. We come up to the truth of God, confess we are wrong, but go back again. Then we approach it again and turn back, until we finally learn we have no business going back. When we are confronted with such a word of truth from our redeeming Lord, we must move directly to transact business with Him. "Come to Me..." (Matthew 11:28). His word *come* means "to act." Yet the last thing we want to do is come. But everyone who does come knows that, at that very moment, the supernatural power of the life of God invades him. The dominating power of the world, the flesh, and the devil is now paralyzed; not by your act, but because your act has joined you to God and tapped you into His redemptive power.