

Boulevard United Methodist Church



The flowers are given to thank God for Ben May's thirty-one years
on his birthday month,
by those who celebrate him still.



On the Cover: A Gathering of Spirits, Jan L. Richardson

THE VIRGINIA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
✦ *where disciples are lifelong learners influencing others to serve* ✦

God of the generations,
when we set our hands to labor,
thinking we work alone,
remind us that we carry
on our lips the words of prophets,
in our veins the blood of martyrs,
in our eyes the mystics' visions,
in our hands the strength of thousands.

- Jan Richardson

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All Saints Sunday
4:00 pm at 1837 W Broad St.

Greeting Rev. Drew Willson

Hymn 702
Sing With All the Saints in Glory (1-3)

Time with Children

Hymn 2283
For All the Saints (1,2)

Remembrance

O God of both the living and the dead, we praise your holy name.
Thank you for the sacred ties that bind us to one another;
and to those whom we love, but see no longer.

A bell rings.

By your Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always look to this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. Amen.

Hymn 2283
For All the Saints (3,4)

Joys and Concerns

Prayer Rev. Rachel G. May

Scripture John 11:32-44

Hymn 2198
Stay With Me

Sermon “The One Who Enters”

Offering

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

The Lord's Supper

Singing

Dismissal with Blessing

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God...

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus...

And so,

in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pour out your Spirit on us, and pour out your Spirit on these gifts...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER

NURTURE

caring for one another and for our growth as disciples

{Inward}

WE ARE PRAYING for those grieving the deaths of Dot Hechler, Rita Callis, Deanna Spain, and Charlie Ruxton.

Also on our prayer list: Nancy Tate and Leslie. Wish to add or restore a name? Say so via the offering plate or the church's e-mail address. *Please consider incorporating these names into a prayer over a meal this coming week or into your daily prayer time.*

CHILDREN'S CHURCH for infants - 5 year olds begins after the children's moment (approximately 4:15). They rejoin us for Communion. Ms. LaRonda is an experienced childcare provider currently employed by Grace Covenant Child Development Center.

OUTREACH

participating in ministries of compassion, justice, and advocacy

{Outward}

THANK YOU for \$385.00, now bound for hurricane recovery workers. Churches and individuals in the Alabama-West Florida Conference, the North Carolina and South Carolina Conferences are grateful for the funds that come to them in the midst of such a difficult and long recovery.

WITNESS

telling our stories, offering expressions of faith, being Christ-like

{Together}

FINANCIAL GIVING BEARS WITNESS to a caring and sharing God, as do our prayers, presence, and acts of service. This month's spending reflects our move to a new space.

	Ministry Costs	Your Contributions
October 1 - 27	15,555	6,945

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY has to do with this historic profession of faith: "I believe in the communion of saints." We acknowledge the fellowship between the living and the dead, honor the departed faithful, and bear witness to those who make a transformative difference in our lives.

Medley

O when the saints go marching in
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How I want to be in that number
when the saints go marching in

Swing low, sweet chariot
Comin' for to carry me home
Swing low, sweet chariot
Comin' for to carry me home

Will the circle be unbroken
by and by, Lord, by and by
There's a better home a-waitin'
in the sky, Lord, in the sky

John 11:32-44 (NRSV)

³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."