



All Saints' Day  
November 01, 2026  
10:30 a.m.



Shallowford Presbyterian Church is a welcoming community dedicated to spiritual growth  
and service to all in the manner of Jesus Christ.

We are a Matthew 25, a More Light and an Earth Care Congregation

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Stated Supply Pastor - Rev. Sandy Lacey  
Guest Leaders of Music - Roger and Jennie Lamb  
Lector - Steve Pharr

**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

*Welcome, visitors!*

*To learn more about our community, please place a completed Visitor Card in the offering basket.*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

Gathering Music

Greeting and Announcements

Time for centering silence as we rest in the presence of God.

**Call to Worship** *(responsive)*

Praise the Lord, all you faithful people!

**With all the saints, we sing God's praise.**

By the grace of Christ, we are God's own.

**With all the blessed ones, we rejoice. Let us worship God!**

**\*Hymn #299**

"You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

**\*Prayer of Confession** *(unison)*

Holy and Grace-Giving God, we confess that our actions do not always mirror what we say we believe. We want to bear good fruit for the benefit of your kingdom, but we struggle with putting our intentions into practice. Give us courage, willingness, and determination to be the people you call us to be so that God's kingdom is easily visible through us.

*(silent confession)*

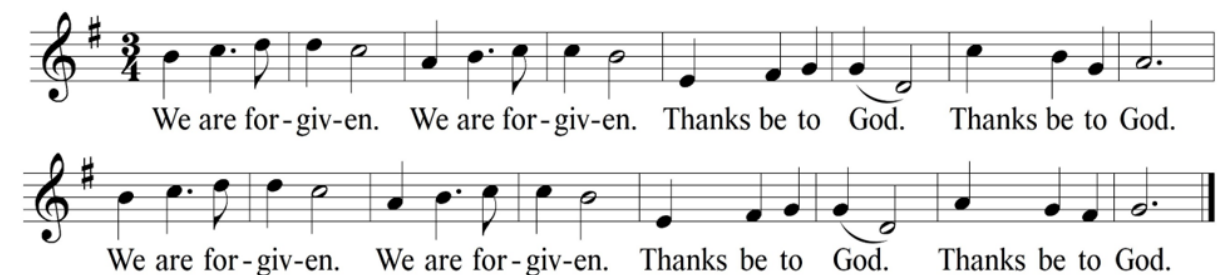
AMEN

**\*Words of Assurance** *(responsive)*

This is the sound of love poured out for me and you. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new. Sisters and brothers, in the name of Christ, I declare that your story is known, your sin is forgiven, and your life is made new. **In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

**\*Response: "We Are Forgiven"** *(all singing)*

Hymn #447



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**\*Sharing God's Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**HEARING THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination** *(unison)*

God of all truth, put a new and right spirit within us, so that as we hear your word read and proclaimed, we may hear your voice and respond with courage. AMEN.

**First Reading: Psalm 34: 1-10, 22**

**Refrain:** (All singing)



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**Second Reading:** Revelation 7:9-17

**Sermon**

*Gathered Around God's Throne*

Rev. Sandy Lacey



### THIS WEEK AT SHALLOWFORD

#### **Sunday, November 1**

Communion  
Cents-Ability Offering  
11:30 am ~ Sunday Book Club - Fellowship Hall

#### **Thursday, November 5**

6:00 pm ~ Building & Grounds Committee Meeting

#### **Saturday, November 7**

8:00 am ~ Men's Breakfast - Clemmons Kitchen  
1:00 - 5:00 pm ~ Repair Cafe - Fellowship Hall

#### **Sunday, November 8**

9:30 am ~ Children's Sunday School Class - Fellowship Hall  
9:30 am ~ Lectionary Bible Study - Parlor  
9:30 am ~ Shallowford Singers - Sanctuary  
10:30 am ~ Worship Service  
11:30 am ~ Compass Group C - Library  
11:30 am ~ D Lights Compass Group - Parlor

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sally Gant is away on vacation through November 16.** We welcome our friends Roger and Jennie Lamb as our leaders of music for November 1, 8 and 15. Roger and Jennie attended St. Andrews Presbyterian College with Sally, and have enjoyed an active career as church musicians until their retirement. They have recently moved to Winston-Salem where they are residing at Brookridge Retirement Community and are also leading a new choir! Check our bulletin board for more information on the Lambs. We also welcome our friend Karen Yoak Lewis joining the Shallowford Singers this month while Sally is away.
- Shallowford will host a **Repair Café on Saturday, November 7, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.** This FREE event brings experienced volunteers together to help repair common household items, including furniture, electrical appliances, toys, jewelry, electronics, clothing, tools, lamps, clocks, and more! Rather than throwing something away, bring it to the Repair Café and discover how much fun fixing can be! It's a wonderful opportunity to learn, share, and give your household items a second life. **Advance registration is encouraged.** Fix, Learn, Share Together!

## **Rooted and Grounded in God's Love**

### **Dear Friends,**

In Paul's letter to the Ephesus church, chapter 3, verses 16–17, he prays that the Christians *“will be strengthened in our inner being with power through God's Spirit and that Christ will dwell in our hearts through faith, as we are being rooted and grounded in love.”*

As I think about our upcoming generosity season and Commitment Sunday, I invite you to reflect on how you are being **“rooted and grounded in God's love.”**

Is it through attending worship regularly? Is it through singing and listening to music? Is it through participating in Bible studies or mission projects? Is it through being generous with your time and resources? Is it through spiritual practices of prayer, meditation, labyrinth walking, etc.?

What helps you the most in your spiritual walk of faith? I suspect for many of us, the answer is a combination of things that keep us centered, grounded, and growing in God's love.

### **We Invite You to Participate!**

You are invited to participate in an exercise that demonstrates your answer to the question, **“How are you being rooted and grounded in God's love?”**

There are art supplies — colored pencils, markers, crayons, and small canvases — on the back table in the Fellowship Hall for you to draw, write, or glue a photo of your answer. We will display them on the art wall in the Fellowship Hall so that we can celebrate together the ways that Shallowford Presbyterian is helping you to be “rooted and grounded in God's love.”

### **Possible answers:**

- Being generous with my money
- Participating in the CROP Walk
- Participating in Game Night
- Attending worship regularly
- Prayer
- ... and more!

There is no one right answer, and you may contribute more than one canvas.

### **Be Creative! We need your input!**

Blessings and peace to each of you,

**Sandy**