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All Saints Sunday

November 2, 2025

THE WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:00 AM In-Person & Zoom

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

WELCOME

Announcements & Prelude

*** A Call to Worship**

P: Like the faithful ones who have gone before us, let us keep our eyes focused on Jesus.

C: Our hearts set on God's love,

P: Our hands ready to bind up the hurts of creation and all people,

C: Our feet ready to go the extra mile.

P: Let our eyes see light even within darkness and glimpse potential where others see dead ends.

C: Give us mouths eager to sing God's praise and hearts yearning to rejoice.

P: Like the ones who have gone before us,

C: Let us follow as part of the communion of saints.

* Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Faithful God,

**C: you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom
of your faithful promises.
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
Repair our relationships,
restore what we have broken,
renew our hearts,
and bring us to new life. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news:

God the Faithful One loves you,
† in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

C: Amen.

* Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* Gloria

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Refrain S 167

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace
to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - mighty God and Fa-ther,
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace
to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right



hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Refrain
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the



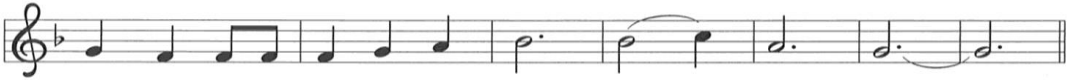
high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a -



lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.



Final refrain
Glo - ry to God in the high - est.



A - men, a - men.

* Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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

¹ In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ² I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³ and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶ I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷ “As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.” Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody: *Psalms 149*

¹ Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD | a new song,
God’s praise in the assembly | of the faithful.

² **Let Israel rejoice | in their maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful | in their ruler.**

³ Let them praise their maker’s | name with dancing;
let them sing praise with tambou- | rine and harp.

⁴ **For the LORD takes pleasure | in the people
and adorns the | poor with victory.**

⁵ Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph;
let them sing for joy | on their beds.

⁶ **Let the praises of God be | in their throat
and a two-edged sword | in their hand,**

⁷ to wreak vengeance | on the nations
and punishment | on the peoples,

⁸ **to bind their | kings in chains
and their nobles with | links of iron,**

⁹ to inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed;
this is glory for all God's faithful ones. | Hallelujah!

Second Lesson: *Ephesians 1:11-23*

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

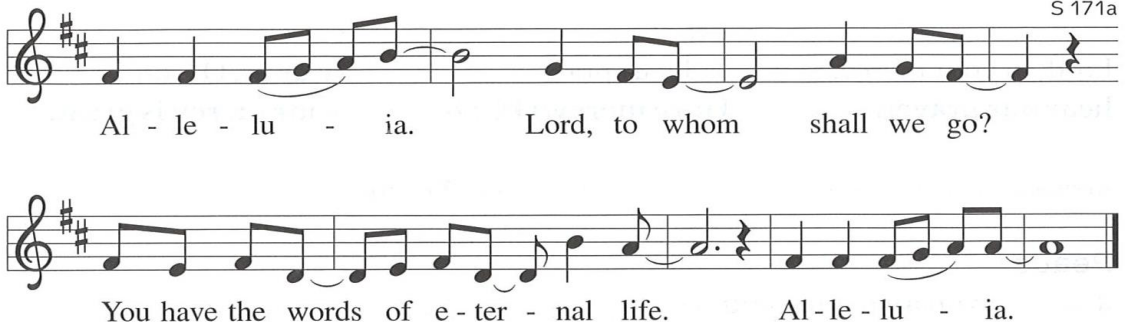
¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the

riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

* Gospel Acclamation

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P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 6th chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The Holy Gospel: *Luke 6:20-31*

²⁰ Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Daniel Swanson

Hymn 422

“For All the Saints”

* Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty.
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

The Prayer of the Church

Remembering the Faithful Departed

P: O God, we thank and praise you for your saints of every time and place. Thank you for all who placed their hope in you Lord Jesus and now rest in your peace and joy. Today we remember with thanksgiving to you brothers and sisters who gone to be with you during the past year. We remember before you this day:

Philip Mauzy, Robert Twinn, James Miller, Shawn Miller, Burt Leach, Jane Dawson, Reda Hanlin, Marian Bittle, Travis Bittle, Al James, Marilyn Adam, Edda Brenneman, Patrick Curry, Roxy Riggs, Rosemary Husin, Carol Lehr, Helen Loman, Jina Eckhardt, Paula Wolfe, Linda Finster, Darlene Kunsman, James Moore, Robert Snyder, Lee Anna Lewis, Rheta Luy, Mary Beachy, Mary Hostetler, Deb Kolb, Glenda Rossberg, Cassandra Morton, Charles Owens, Woodrow Spiker, Terri Goldman, Jimmie Lee Webb, Naquan Johnson, David Patrick, James Johnson, James Bunn, Bruce Richardson, Gloria J. Grant, Eunice Love, Anthony N'Namdi Webster, Bruce Richardson, Charlie Earl Owens, Endi Odell Phipps Webb, Robert Alphonso Royster, Diane Joyce Royster, Joseph E. Royster Jr., Betty Ann Royster, James Weldon Johnson, Jr., Antonio "Tony" Burgess, Joshua Clayton Royster, Jr., Barbara Henderson Braley, Christine Brown Lee, Lorell Estelle Royster Shaw, Geraldine K Brown Holbert, Claudia Vivian Royster Davis

P: As we remember these people, strengthen us to follow Christ through this world until we are carried into the harvest of eternal life, where suffering and death will be no more. Hear our prayer in the name of the good and gracious shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

* Sharing of the Peace of the Lord

We Offer Our Gifts to the Lord

Organ Voluntary

Anthem

Chancel Choir

* Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

* The Offertory

Hymn 674

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

**Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.**

Refrain

***Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!***

**Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express. *Refrain***

**Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere! *Refrain***

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* Offertory Prayer

L: God of healing and hope,
 you bless those who are hungry,
 promising to fill them with good things.
 Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
 Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
 and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,
 now and forever. **Amen.**

* The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed rightand join their unending hymn:

(Holy, Holy Holy)

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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

* The Words of Institution

* 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, forever and ever. Amen.

* P: There is a place for you at the table of God.

Come, receive the food that does not perish,
a taste of life eternal.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God.

“Lamb of God”

Chancel Choir

Words and Music - Rob Temple

Distribution of the Sacrament

* Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

* The Prayer after Communion

L: God of field and flower, wheat and grape,
you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst,
and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

C: Amen

* Blessing

P: The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,
God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work
ahead.

The holy Trinity bless you ☩ and grant you a faithful and courageous
heart now and forever.

C: Amen.

* **Sending Hymn 873**

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”

* Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.

* Postlude

*In Bread and Wine our Lord Jesus meets us and we receive His Body and Blood given and shed
for our forgiveness. It is a meal of love, forgiveness and renewal. If you are visiting with us
today and are a baptized Christian and desire to commune, please do come to the table of the
Lord. Children and youth who have not received instruction in the meaning of the Sacrament are
cordially invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Please come toward as directed by ushers
by the center aisle and return by the side aisles.*

Lectors for our Services

This Sunday, November 2 – Gary Llewellyn Ushers: Ken Wendell, Fred Powell

Wednesday, November 5 – Jeff Smith - Healing Service/Holy Communion

Next Sunday, November 9 – Jack Murray Organist: Rae Ann Smith

Next Wednesday, November 12 – Debbie Fornwalt A/V – Steve, Kathy Mark, Joyce

New Bible Studies - We are now studying women of the Bible on **Sunday mornings, 11:30am** and the God and Suffering on **Thursday mornings at 10:30am**. This is also on Zoom! Please come join us!

This week –

This Sunday – Worship at 10:00am followed by Adult SCS

Dianne Short – Europe Trip 1:30-3:00pm

Monday – Executive – 6:30pm

Tuesday & Wednesday – Cook Turkeys (See Gary Llewellyn)

Wednesday – Healing Service – 6:30pm (Worship & Music voted to have on the first Wednesday of each month a healing service.)

Chancel Choir rehearsal – 7:30pm

Thursday – Bible Study – 10:30am “God’s Suffering”

Blood Drive – 12:30-6:00pm

Friday – Crafts – 10:00am

Diane’s Music classes 10:00am, Lady Birds – 11:00am

Saturday – Fellowship Use by Sarah McGuire – 12noon-2:00pm

Next Sunday – Thanksgiving & Blessing Service at 10:00am followed by Listening Circle

The Yearly EMR (Every Member Response) Campaign!! The Mission and Generosity Committee has prepared the EMR line-up of events. Blue Bags with names attached are in the Narthex with all that you will need to participate. Please pick up your bag. Also 2026 Envelopes are here.

Upcoming Special Worship Events – the Worship and Music and Mission and Generosity Committees have planned a ***Service of Thanksgiving on Sunday, November 9th***. A Thanksgiving Tree will be available for you to pin your *leaf* with its note of thanksgiving. We will also be collecting pledges in the collection plate. Finally, we will be asking members of the congregation to approach the altar and place their Time and Talent sheets in a collection basket. Join us on Sunday, November 9th to express your thanks to God.

Upcoming Listening Circle – as a continuation of our *Every Member Response* fall campaign, the Mission and Generosity Committee is scheduling a **Listening Circle after worship on Sunday, November 9th**. The topic, “How We Imagine God” will allow us to share our personal concept and experience of the presence of God in our life. Many of us have found that the sharing that occurs during the Listening Circle is profound and comforting. Please join us for this spiritual experience.

It is that time of the year again; all committee budgets need to be to Ed Havens on or before November 16th. Thanks.

Noisy Offering Scheduled – the Mission and Generosity Committee has decided that a Noisy Offering will be held on Sunday, November 23d. The funds will be sent to the Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD) and earmarked for flood disaster relief in Allegany and Garrett Counties. Please begin to save your change so our offering will be VERY NOISY!! Thanks!

God's Work – Our Hands – we still have a few boxes to fill with items that continue to be needed in the George's Creek Flood Recovery Effort. In addition to the cleaning supplies, you may want to include underwear items and socks. A teacher at George's Creek Elementary School has told me that children sometimes come to school in need of such items. Another option is a monetary donation placed in an envelope noted "God's Work-Our Hands". Thank you for your willingness to help those in our community who continue to recover from the flood.

THANKSGIVING IS NEARING!!!! -- *This year we are once again depending upon the generosity of our congregational family to help us fill 25 baskets, each containing nonperishable goods and a supermarket gift card valued at \$35 for potential recipients who notify our church of their need. The gift card will afford the recipients the opportunity to purchase a turkey and/or fresh goods to prepare a hearty Thanksgiving meal. Several sign-up sheets for your intended donation(s) of specific items are located on a table in the narthex. All items should be brought to the church on or before Sunday, November 16, 2025.* Recipients will pick up baskets on Tuesday, November 18 between the hours of 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. We thank you in advance for everything/anything that you can do to continue our characteristic community care.
Social Ministry Committee

Starting in February, the food pantry will have to pay \$500/month for the food drop at St. John's Lutheran Church that provides food for many needy families in the United Workers network (working with the Poor People's Campaign). We are planning a **fundraiser canning event** at Christ Lutheran on November 22, to share skills and resources. Do you have any canning supplies you could donate? Do you have any expertise (or chopping skills) you would like to share? or gain? Thank you for your consideration! *Janet Lawler-Heavner 301-514-5551*

Get out your calendars and mark the dates!!! On Friday, December 5th you are invited to attend an Advent Craft night. There will be crafts for all ages, and in the near future we will share what those crafts are. We have elves behind the scenes make some so you can see what will be available. To help offset the cost of materials, if you are able, we will be asking for five dollars (\$5.00) per family. The evening would not be complete without snacks so please bring something to share.

THEN...

On Sunday, December 7th immediately following the service you are invited to stay for a light lunch and Hanging of the Greens. We will be decorating the Christmas tree, the sanctuary and the narthex. During lunch you will be invited to participate in some Christmas trivia and as we decorate the building will be filled with the music of the season. Please join your fellow congregation members as we celebrate the season.

CLC Archival Items & Artifacts - To help us preserve and manage our collection with care, please follow these guidelines when interacting with the CLC Archives Room:

- Donating or Borrowing: Kindly sign the designated log sheet when donating or borrowing any items or artifacts.
- Dropping Off or Returning: Please place all items on the log sheet table so our archives team can properly process and store them.

Your cooperation ensures the integrity and organization of our archives—thank you for being part of it! The CLC Archives Team

LAST WEEK'S REPORT – October 26, 2025

Attendance	In-Person 10:00am =	Joint Reformation @St John's	Adult SCS – 0
	Zoom 10:00am =		Oct.30 Thurs. Bible Study – 9
Wed. Oct 29	In-Person 6:30pm =	11	
	Zoom 6:30pm =	1	

BUDGET OFFERINGS FOR 2025

Received	=	\$3,234.00
Needed weekly	=	<u>4,044.04</u>
		(810.04)

BUDGETED ACCOUNTS – JAN-SEPT 2025

Actual Income	=	\$149,247.78
Actual Expenses	=	(<u>163,171.44</u>)
		\$ 13,923.66)



Please join us for a

Thanksgiving

INTERFAITH SERVICE



November | 25 | 7:00 pm

Hosted by LaVale United Methodist Church
at 565 National Highway
LaVale, MD

Please bring a side dish or dessert to
share at the reception that will follow

PRAYER LIST FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2025

PRAYER RECIPIENT - MEMBERS

Anna Bruck
Barb Simmons
Jane Miller
Jack Zealand
Ed Havens
Bill & MarySue Crawford
Gail Dawson
Mitzie & Jerry Robinette
Patty Wilson
Clem Dawson
Dave & Lisa Ahern
Kim Shoemaker
Fay Crawford
David LaBuda
Rosey & Becky McIntyre
Jonathan and Danielle Ahern
Tammy Faulkner
Pam & Dave Judy
David Tibbetts
Joyce DeMonbrun
Kathy Powell
Sharon McKenzie
Mary Lou Rowles
Donna Yaider
Laura Murray

PRAYER RECIPIENT

Christina Puffinburger
Brad & Gregg Dawson, Stephen Overtom
Charles Johnson, Barbara Williams
Joe Kunsman, Linda Nines, Ellen Hill
Brittney Meyers, Talot Omar, Terry Baker
Nathan Winters
Charlotte & Ed Troutman, Arlene Simmons.
Carl Chiarenza, Karen Mackert
Elise & Henry Jack Balber
Cheryl Trusler
Cheri Bielen
Baby Whetzel, Kevin Mistretta, Carolyn Farr, Kendra Morriss, Paula Rose
Dan Moore, Graham Tower, Lisa Storm, Jaime Pletcher, Karen Ford
Richard Clark, Zachary Sutterfield, Alexis Smith
Diane Davis, Nancy Smith, James Flynn
Joy Kroeger-Mappes, Carmen and Lance Jackson
Bob Aman, Susie Spiker
Gretchen Burke
Sally, Roger, James Tibbets
Andy Cocco
Marie Turnbull, Steven Suzindlak, Taylor Neumann
Dan Carr, Matt Doman
Michele Jones, Lois Shunk
Don Ringer, Stephanie Georgiane
Mary Lou Dorsey
Vic Werner
Belinda Keller
Madeline Lopes
Barbara Blough
Galen Dean Krepps
Jared McGensie, Chris Twigg
Breanna Brown
Kamryn Rice
Candy Heverly

Requested by

Elwood & Janet Glass
 Gail Dawson
 Sharon M
 Mitzie & Jerry
 Mitzie & Jerry
 Dianne Short
 Barb Simmons
 Paul & Ruth C
 Jack Zealand
 Joyce D
 Jane Miller
 Diane
 Diane K
 Anne DeVaughn
 Antoinette Royster
 Antoinette Royster
 Shirley & Jim Smith
 Val & Gary Llewellyn
 Dave Tibbetts
 John Cocco
 Lita Havens
 Steven Hansrote
 Sherry T
 Kristan Fazenbaker
 Trina Firey
 Barbara Martin
 Linda McCagh
 Al James
 Janice & Dave LaBuda
 Lisa Ahern
 Patty Wilson and Rosey
 Debbie Fornwalt
 Corinna Hilderbrand
 Charlotte Luy

Please keep us updated

- all people affected by the wildfires and other disasters
- all people of the Ukraine and all affected by the war
- all elected officials
- those who serve in our nation's armed forces including Rick Rounds, Tom Forrest



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