All are welcome, because God *is* Welcome!

We're so glad you're here! Whether you're visiting for the first time or worshipping with us regularly, you are part of what makes this community a place of faith, hope, and love. You are welcome here.

- Scan the QR code to stay connected with everything happening at First Church–from weekly events and opportunities to serve, to today's scripture lessons.
- Sign up for *Faith Forward* and weekly *e-Alert* and prayer request emails, explore online worship, and visit our website.
- Access our secure online giving platform.

ABOUT THE SERVICE

Services are recorded and available on Facebook and our website.

*Indicates that the congregation may rise in body or spirit. Words we all say are in **bold print.**

Generally, we celebrate Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month and on special occasions.

Offering plates are available in the Narthex (sanctuary entrance) before and after worship, or you may give online by scanning the QR code. Thank you for helping to make Christ's love shown within our community and beyond. We are *"blessed to be a blessing!"*

CONNECTION, LEADERSHIP, AND STAFF

WE ARE A CONGREGATION IN CONNECTION WITH

- **The Presbytery of Florida**
- **The Synod of South Atlantic**
- **The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA)**

THE SESSION

The Rev. Julie Thompson, Moderator
Bob Plank, Clerk of Session

Elected spiritual leaders of this congregation:

Claire Calohan ('28)
Ann Fyfe ('26)
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God Welcomes Us in Love

Chiming the Trinity

Prelude *Prelude on "For All the Saints"* *Phil Lehenbauer*

Words of Welcome Rev. Julie Thompson

This is the Day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Gathering Song (Hymn 591) *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

***Call Worship** Elder Claire Calohan

What kind of love has God given us?
A love that proclaims we are God's very own.
What kind of promise has God given us?
God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.
What kind of future has God given us?
God will lead us to springs of life-giving water.
Blessing and glory,
wisdom and thanksgiving,
honor and power and might
be to our God, forever and always!

***Hymn 1** *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty* NICAEA

***Prayer of the Day** Rev. Julie Thompson

Everlasting God, in the beginning there was you. Ever since, you have made yourself known to us through ancestors, siblings in faith, and loved ones who have left us. We remember each of the many saints who touched our lives and, however imperfectly, showed us your way of love. Keep us in the great cloud of their witness, that we may be guided by them and by you, now and forever. **Amen.**

Call to Confession Elder Claire Calohan

Prayer of Confession

God of eternal life, we gather in gratitude for all the saints of the ages and our lives. We also confess our sorrow as we ache from their absence. We hear you call us blessed when we mourn, but we do not find the comfort you promise. Be with us in our remembrance and strengthen us until the day we join them, singing your praises in the great multitude.

Declaration of Forgiveness

See what love our Creator has given us: we are children of God. Our heavenly Parent loves us, forgives us, and is with us through every trial. **Thanks be to God!**

***Joyful Response (Hymn 582)**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned men,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

God Invites Us to Listen

First Reading 1 John 3:1–3 hardcover, p. 995 softcover NT, p. 327

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:1–12 hardcover, p779 softcover NT, p. 9

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Message "For All the Saints" Rev. Julie Thompson

God Moves Us to Respond

***Hymn 840** *It Is Well with My Soul* VILLE DU HAVRE

Invitation to Discipleship and Community News

Moment of Generosity

***Doxology (Hymn 606)** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Anthem *Shall We Gather at the River?* *John Carter*

Remembering the Saints see bulletin insert

God Gathers Us at the Table

*** Hymn 507** *Come to the Table of Grace* TABLE OF GRACE

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

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. *... the prayer continues ...*

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution and Breaking of the Bread

Communion of God's People

Prayer after Communion

God Sends Us to Live the Love of Christ

***Hymn 326** *For All the Saints* SINE NOMINE

***Benediction and Three-fold Amen**

Postlude *Voluntary on "Engelberg" (We Know That Christ Is Raised)*
Douglas E. Wagner

God Calls Us into Community

Welcome to First Church on All Saints' Sunday! Today we remember with love and gratitude those who have gone before us, especially those we have lost during the past year. Through Scripture, song, and Holy Communion, we celebrate God's promise that we are beloved children, forever held in God's love. May our worship bring comfort and renew our hope. Whoever you are and wherever you are on the journey, there is a place for you here.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. The elders will serve the elements in our seats. Please hold them so we may receive them together as one body in Christ.

Stay a While! Join us in Mowat Hall following worship for Fellowship Time! Enjoy good food, fresh coffee, and friendly conversation. There's always room for you at the table!

The Session will meet today at 11:30 AM in the Richard Holley Classroom.



This Week at First Church

November 1 – 8, 2026

Sunday, November 1

All Saints' Sunday
Holy Communion

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:45 AM	Coffee and the Word	*Richard Holley Classroom*
9:30 AM	Choir Warmup	*Mowat Hall*
10:00 AM	Morning Worship	*Sanctuary*
11:00 AM	Fellowship Time	*Mowat Hall*
11:30 AM	Stated Session Meeting	*Richard Holley Classroom*

LEADING WORSHIP:

The Chancel Choir
Bradley Thoreson, *Organist, Music Director*
Elder Claire Calohan, *Lay Leader*
Rev. Julie Thompson, *Transitional Pastor*

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS:

Greeters
Peggy and Rich Kangas

Church Safety Volunteer
Chris Stanley

Sound Volunteer
Lloyd Stanley

Monday, November 2

6:15 PM
Panama City Pipes & Drums
Church Grounds

Tuesday, November 3

6:00 PM
Gulftones Barbershop Chorus
Mowat Hall

Wednesday, November 4

6:00 PM
Chancel Choir
Sanctuary
7:00 PM
AA (Closed Meeting)
Mowat Hall

Thursday, November 5

Friday, November 6

6:00 PM
AA (Women's Open Meeting)
Mowat Hall

Saturday, November 7

7:00 PM
AA (Open Meeting)
Mowat Hall

Looking Ahead

Sunday, November 8
24th Sunday after Pentecost

LOOKING AHEAD SCHEDULE

8:45 AM	Coffee and the Word	*Richard Holley Classroom*
9:30 AM	Choir Warmup	*Mowat Hall*
10:00 AM	Morning Worship	*Sanctuary*
11:00 AM	Fellowship Time	*Mowat Hall*

LOOKING AHEAD VOLUNTEERS:

Greeters
Marcia Burden and Maxie Hooper

Church Safety Volunteer
Lloyd Stanley

Sound Volunteer
Donna Yielding

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ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

MORNING WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 1 | 10:00 AM

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