

**WE ARE  
SURROUNDED  
BY A GREAT  
CLOUD OF  
WITNESSES**

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY  
First United Methodist Church  
November 4, 2018 10 AM**

We Gather for Worship

**Choral Prelude & Entrance of Christ's Light "We Are Surrounded"**

**A Time of Remembering**

Let us remember those who have gone before us in faith

Alberto Jentimane Beverlea Meadow Beatrice Randall Mary Merrill

**\*Call to Worship:**

L: Holy God of wind and fire;

**P: Dance through this room today.**

L: Holy God of earthquakes and illness;

**P: Share our tears of sadness and pain.**

L: Holy God of creation and new beginnings;

**P: Show us again your vision of healing and wholeness.**

**\*Hymn:** "For All the Saints," vv. 1,2,4,6 UMH #711

**A Time for the Child in All of Us**

**Prayer** (unison):

**Patient, Forgiving Spirit, we come seeking your face. We hold on to ancient angers and hurts, and refuse to believe that you alone can make all things new. Like Mary and Martha, we have forgotten your promises of eternal life. Like the crowd that mourned for Lazarus, we have not believed that we would see your glory. Forgive our unbelief, O God. Bring us back, and restore our trust in you.**

Words of Assurance (Revelation 21):

L: Our God shows us a vision of a new heaven and a new earth, where everyone will live in peace and blessing. Trusting in God's promise to wipe away all our tears, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

**ALL: Glory to God. Amen.**

**Sung Response:** "Jesus, Remember Me" UMH #488

**Ministry of Music** Tenley Westbrook

We Proclaim the Word

**Reading the Word:** John 11:32-44

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** "Everything is God's"

Rev. Deb Hanson & Dave Atkinson

We Respond to God's Word

**\*Hymn:** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" – UMH #712

**Concerns and Joys**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer** (unison):

**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 in temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology:** (*Please join in singing the following*) UMH #94

*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!*

**\*Prayer of Dedication** (unison):

**Now, as God's saints in this time and place, we have the opportunity to feed others from the abundance of all we have, to swallow up the pain and suffering of others, to wipe away the tears of children who are lonely and fearful. May the gifts we offer, and the lives we lead, reveal the One for whom we have waited and who invites us to spread grace over all the world. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**A Service of Remembrance and Holy Communion** - insert

We Go Forth to Serve

**\*Hymn:** "Joy in the Morning" TFWS #2284

**\*Choral Benediction:** (*Congregation encircles the Sanctuary*)

**May the Lord, gracious God bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and seek His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, mighty God bless and keep you forever.**

**\*Pastor's Charge**

**Postlude**

*\*Please stand as you are comfortable*

*Large print bulletins are available from the greeters*

UPCOMING EVENTS

KEN'S 90TH  
TODAY!  
10 a.m.



Everyone is invited  
to share in the  
celebration!

GRIEF SUPPORT  
November 11th  
1 p.m.



At Temple Israel  
315 Court Street  
Open to all.

BELL BAZAAR  
November 17th  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.



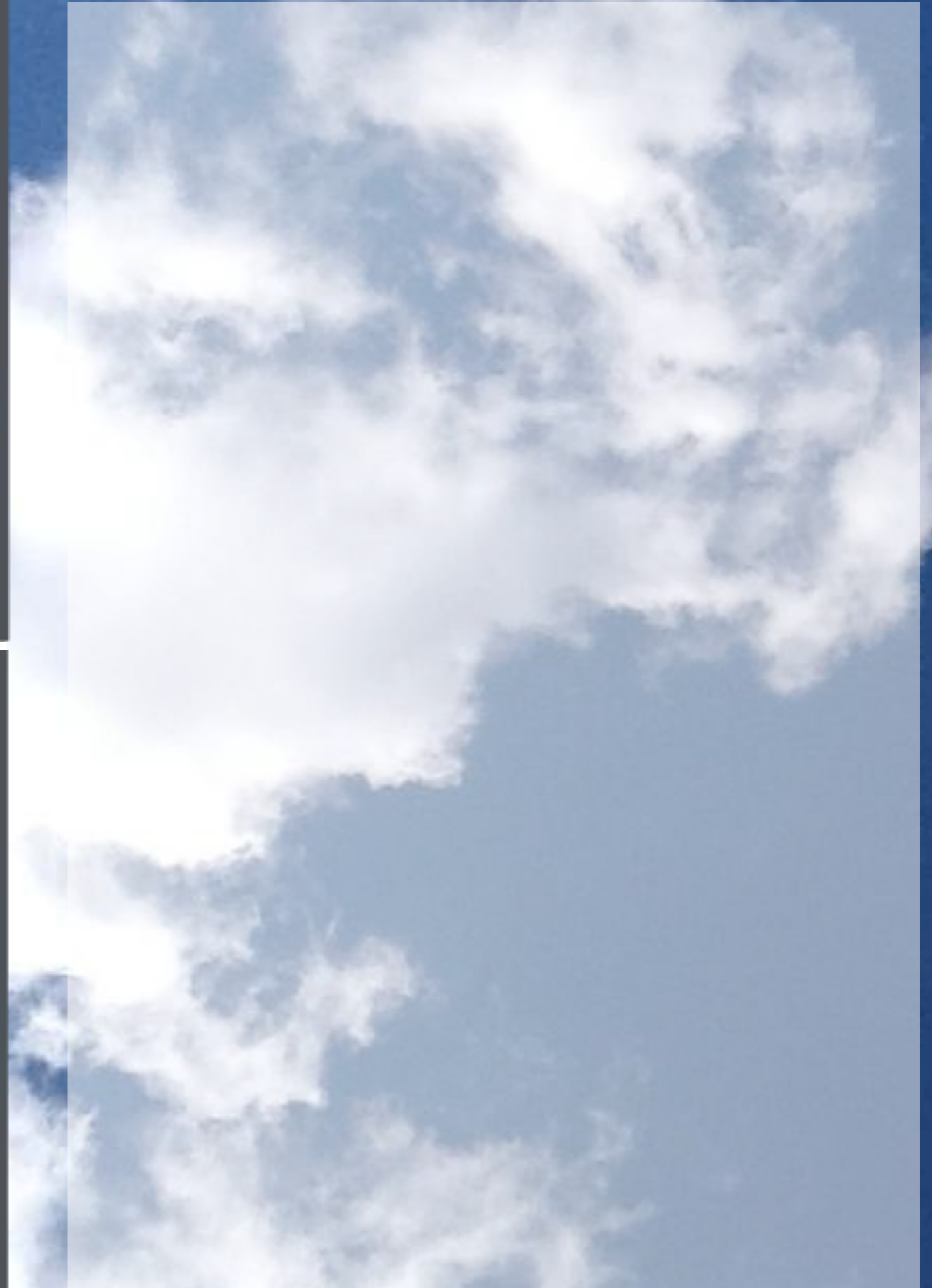
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DAYS  
Left to help!

Crafts, Baked  
Goods, Silent  
Auction and Lunch

CHURCH  
CONFERENCE  
November 19



Join us to learn the  
best ways to grow  
our church





**Welcome!**

Whether you are joining us for worship for the first time or after many years of attending here at First UMC, we want you to know that you are welcome!

We are an inclusive community that invites everyone to be part of our church fellowship.

Thank you for being here, and we hope that you have had a meaningful experience of worshiping our God so you leave this place feeling that you have been blessed to be a blessing. Please join us again!

Rev. Deb Hanson



**Altar flowers this week  
are in memory of  
Peter and Sue Newbury**



**Sunday Worship Team**

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Debra J. Hanson

Pastor's Assistant - David Richards

Liturgist - Sue Richards

Lay Leader - Susan Sarosiek

Director of Music - Bevan Bloemendaal ~ Pianist - PaulaJ Jacobson

Acolyte - Alexa Langs

Greeters - Marilyn Stebbins ~ Joyce Blanchard

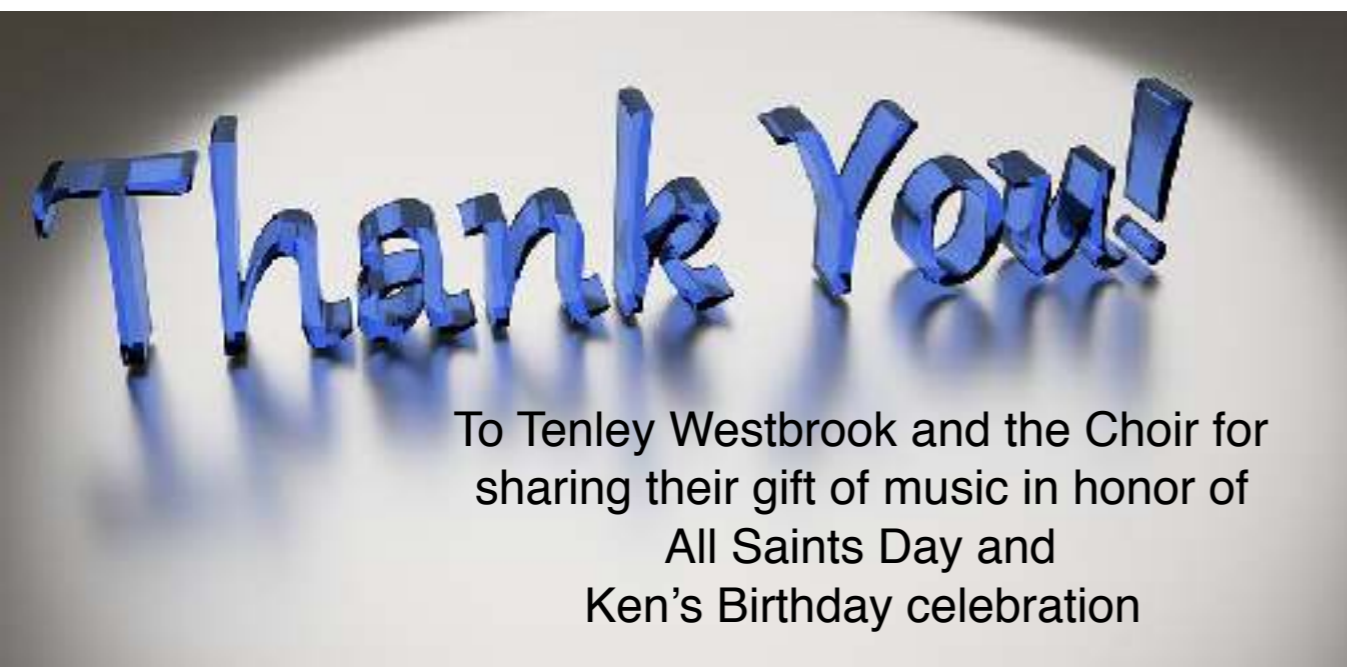
Ushers - Al & Jan Cansdale ~ Anne & Mike Coffey

Sunday School - Yvonne Griffin & Rosie Buswell

Sound Tech - Sue Sarosiek Worship Service Tech - PennySue Orr

Photographer - Dave Atkinson

Secretary - PaulaJ Jacobson



To Tenley Westbrook and the Choir for sharing their gift of music in honor of All Saints Day and Ken's Birthday celebration



Brenda West ~ Pauline Boynton ~ Barbara Millar ~ Clark Cole  
Bob & Sharon Garceau ~ Irene Derosier ~ Ginger Ellenwood  
Seraphim Afflick ~ Barbara Clement ~ Trudy Parkhurst  
Joette MacKenzie ~ Malia Broe ~ Rev. Sue Ellery ~ Rev. Bill Gardei  
Gerry Royer ~ Cynthia Drake ~ Barbara Glidden ~ Marion Collishaw  
Sue Goodhue ~ Kim Hishop ~ Hunter Pinkley ~ Sylvia Bartlett  
BrianThompson ~ Our church family

**FUMC PORTSMOUTH  
A RECONCILING CONGREGATION**

We, the congregation of the First United Methodist Church of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, are dedicated to worshiping, learning, and serving with all people as we embrace Jesus Christ's message of love and acceptance. As a United Methodist Church we stand fully behind the statement "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors" We celebrate our diversity and invite all persons regardless of age, gender, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, physical or mental ability into full membership and participation in the life of this community of faith.



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