



Gethsemane Lutheran Church

11560 SE Market St, Portland, OR 97216

glcportland.org | (503) 256-1835

<https://www.facebook.com/gethsemaneportland>

Interim Pastor Rev. Elizabeth Durant

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 2021

“Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.” - Psalm 126:5

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship! For the safety of our community, we ask that you sign in and wear a mask. Our worship service is broadcast live on Zoom and Facebook. Only the presenters in our worship will be recorded. Please see an usher if you have any questions.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, † one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

God our comforter:

It is so easy for us to lose sight of you. Trapped by fear, we close our hearts to your presence. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN, *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*, ELW #886, vs 1-4

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system contains the first four verses of the hymn. The second system contains the fifth and sixth verses. The lyrics are printed below the treble clef staff of each system.

1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
3 The name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease,
4 He speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;

the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri - umphs of his grace!
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name.
sings mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.

5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!

6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

HYMN of PRAISE

Refrain

Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

Verse 1

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of

to Refrain

God.

Verse 2
Congregation or Congregation 2:

2. Pow - er and rich-es, wis - dom and

might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ

to Refrain

for ev - er.

Verse 3
Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to

make us peo - ple of God; to make

to Refrain

all things new.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, dispel our ignorance.

Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Thanks to Jasmine and all who are volunteering at our first-ever pumpkin patch. See you on Saturday, October 30 from 1 to 5 pm for Trunk or Treat!

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-9

7 Thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,

“Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.”

8 See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

9 With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

**Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy.**

Then they said among the nations,
“The Lord has done great things for them.”

**The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.**

Restore our fortunes, O Lord,

like the watercourses of the Negeb.

**Those who sowed with tears
will reap with songs of joy.**

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 7:23-28

23The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; 24but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. 25Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. 26For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. 27Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. 28For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Congregation

Al- le- lu- ia Al- le- lu- ia Lord, to whom shall we
go You have the words of e- ter- nal life
Al- le- lu- ia! *Repeat optional*

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The first staff is labeled 'Congregation' and contains the lyrics 'Al- le- lu- ia Al- le- lu- ia Lord, to whom shall we'. The second staff continues with 'go You have the words of e- ter- nal life'. The third staff concludes with 'Al- le- lu- ia!' and is marked 'Repeat optional'.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 10:46-52

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

46As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.

47When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

49Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." 50So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. 51Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." 52Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well."

Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY, *Amazing Grace*, ELW #779, v 1-4

1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found; was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5
 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1851–1921, alt.

CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed...

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

Risen One, we give you thanks for congregations and ministries throughout the world that serve as centers of prayer and action. Empower teachers, healers, evangelists, and all who are sent to share your song of joy. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Nurturing One, we give you thanks for generous land that produces abundant harvests. Strengthen and protect all soils, from patio pots to community gardens to vast farmlands. Thank you for the opportunity to host a pumpkin patch in our neighborhood this year; bless all who visit. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Righteous One, we give you thanks for all leaders who work for peace and justice at local, regional, national and global levels. Protect refugees, liberate the oppressed, and end war, so that peace extends in every direction. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Healing One, we give you thanks for all who labor, like St. Luke the Physician, for the health of others. Comfort and strengthen all who struggle with chronic pain. Send healing and relief to all who are sick and recovering, especially those we name now in our hearts and with voice. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Living One, we give you thanks for the saints who have increased our faith. Give us courage to follow in hope until you gather us all around your table of abundance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please remain in your seats for a moment of quiet reflection.

THE OFFERING

Thank you for your generous gifts to sustain the mission and ministry of Gethsemane Lutheran Church. You may give online at

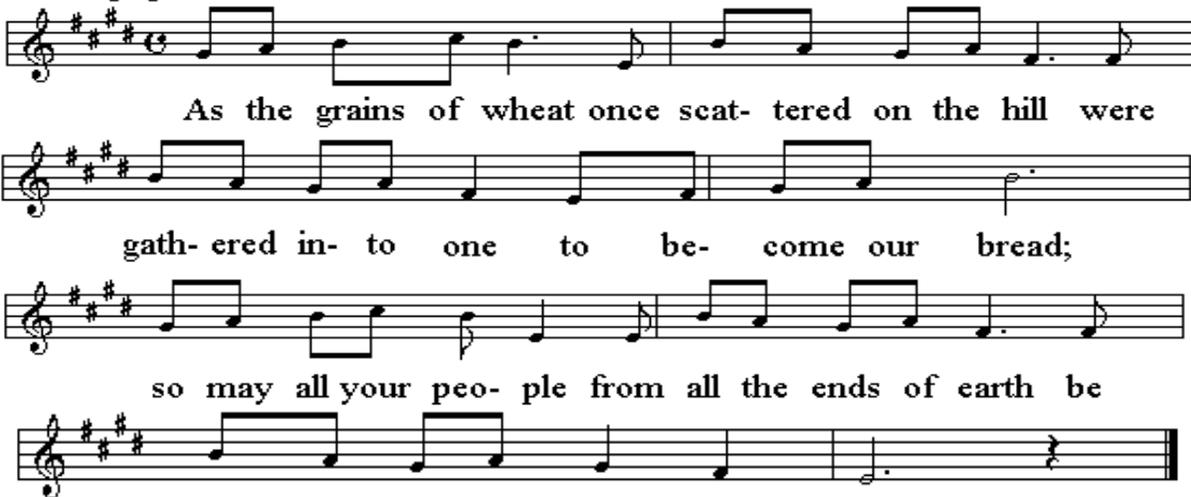
www.glcportland.org/give or with Venmo.

OFFERTORY

As the Grains of Wheat

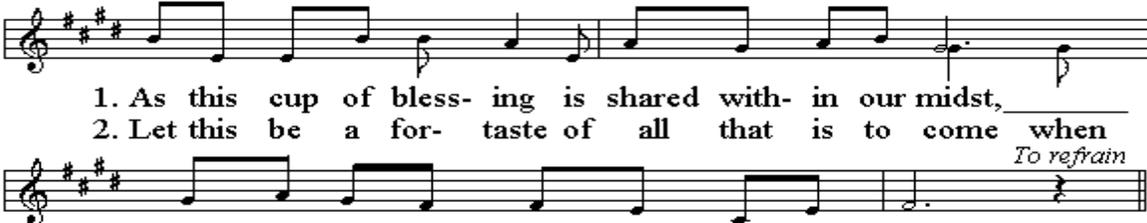
Refrain

Congregation



As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were
gathered in- to one to be- come our bread;
so may all your peo- ple from all the ends of earth be
gather- ered in- to one in you.

Verses



1. As this cup of bless- ing is shared with- in our midst,
2. Let this be a for- taste of all that is to come when
To refrain
may we share the pres- ence of your love.
all cre- a- tion shares this feast with you

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All are welcome to celebrate communion! If you are joining us via livestream, you may commune from home. Any bread and wine, water or juice may be used. Please follow along with Pastor Elizabeth in holding up your bread and cup.

Presider: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

Presider: *Congregation:*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: *Congregation:*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

The Proper Preface is sung or said

P It is our duty and delight. . .we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Remembering his command to love one another, his life and death, his resurrection and his ascension, we pray for his coming again, even as we cry:

Congregation:

A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus.
 A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation.

Congregation:

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.
 A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and our friend.

THROUGH CHRIST, WITH CHRIST, IN CHRIST

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

The image shows a musical score for a congregational hymn. It consists of four staves of music in a treble clef, with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 6/8 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with the word 'Through'. The second staff begins with 'u - ni - ty'. The third staff begins with 'yours, O God,'. The fourth staff begins with 'A - men.' and ends with a double bar line.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN, *Lord, Be Glorified*, ELW #744, vs 1-3

The image shows a musical score for a communion hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are arranged in four parts, with the first part of each system containing four lines of text and the second part containing four lines of text.

1 In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
2 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
3 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;
4 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;

in my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
in our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
in your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.
in your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

Text: Bob Kilpatrick, b. 1952

Music: BE GLORIFIED, Bob Kilpatrick

Text and music © 1978 Bob Kilpatrick Music, assigned 1998 to The Lorenz Corporation. All rights reserved.

Duplication in any form prohibited without permission or valid license from copyright administrator.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE Thanks Be to You

Congregation:



1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:
2. From of old you loved and sought us:



Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice



weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for ev - er!
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for ev - er!



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your



love, re - mem - b'ring your cov-e-nant of



life with us. 3. Praise to you, O



God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for ev - er!



Rais-ing high the weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for



ev - er! Thanks be to you for ev - er!

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray,

Most gracious and generous God, you open your hand and feed those who hunger. Grant us faith to trust your wise providing, courage to share our bread, and grace to pour out our lives in service to others as Christ poured out himself to us.

Amen.

SENDING

THE BLESSING

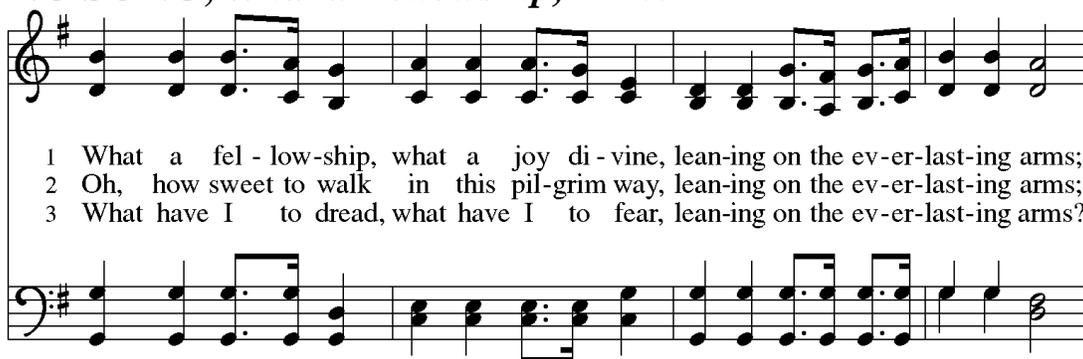
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

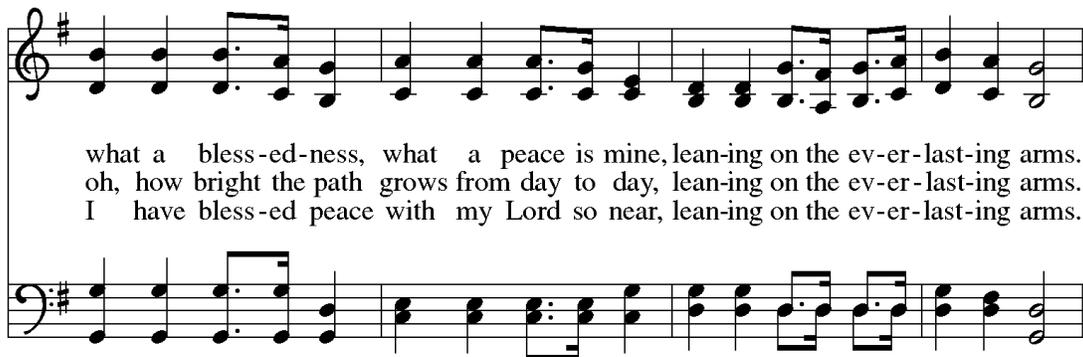
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG, *What a Fellowship*, ELW #774

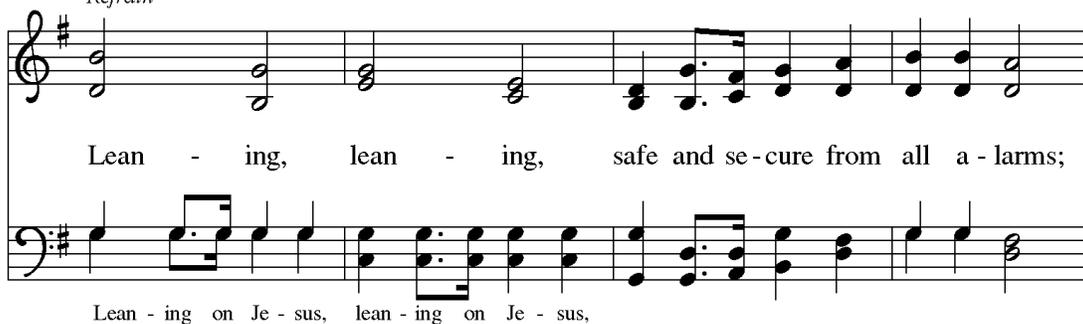


1 What a fel - low-ship, what a joy di - vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms;
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms?



what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.

Refrain



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;
Lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean-ing on the ev - er - last-ing arms.
lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839-1919
Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter, 1858-1924

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Please leave the sanctuary quietly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Come to our Pumpkin Patch!** Tell your neighbors and friends to stop by for autumn fun from Sun-Wed 11am-5pm, and Thur-Sat 11am-7pm! We also need help! Click to sign up here if you can help cover a **volunteer shift**: <https://signup.com/go/pNxdRbX>.
 - 10/24: **Live Parrot shows**
 - 10/30: **Trunk or Treat 1-5pm**
 - 10/31: **Pumpkin Carving Party 12pm**We will need **at least one adult staff per shift**. We will take cash and Venmo—but there will be a Venmo lanyard with the QR code so it will be easy! Jasmine will train each staff person herself and help with each closing shift (to report sales each night).
- **GLC Winter Coat Drive:** [Tap Here to donate](#) via Thrivent. You are also welcome to drop off coats or monetary donations at the office (mark checks for “coat drive” and envelopes “attention Patty Olson” so the funds get allocated accordingly). Contact Patty at 503-309-6855 with any questions or for other coat drop-off options.
- **It’s time to pre-order poinsettias** to grace our Sanctuary for the Christmas Season. Order envelopes are available on the poster in the Narthex and in the church office. If you need an order envelope mailed to you, call the church office. The price is \$8.00 each. Be sure to write your name on the envelope and indicate if it is being given in honor or memory of someone. Put cash or check inside the envelope and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office. **Orders are due no later than Sunday, October 24.** Questions? Contact Gloria Kelsay.

- **Transition Team update:** Please mark your calendars for a **lively party on Sunday morning, November 14th!** The Transition Team invites you to join, in person or on Zoom, immediately following worship for a fun time together. After a shorter-than-usual worship service, we'll gather for church history bingo, small groups, raffle, and special presentations. Together we will creatively imagine the ways that God is calling us forward into the future. Please plan to attend!
- **GLC Worship – Surveys are due today, please!** Pick up a survey in the Narthex and return it to the church office.
- Next week only, Anna's hours are Mon-Wed 9am-1pm, Thur 9-12 & 1-5pm.
- Remember to **WEAR RED for Reformation next Sunday, October 31st.**
- We will celebrate **All Saints' Sunday on November 7th.** Our tradition is to read aloud the names of those who passed this year. Please see Pr. Elizabeth if you have names to add. Thank you!