

Monte Vista Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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All Saints Sunday

November 2, 2025

10:30am MT

Order of Worship

Welcome

Bonnie Sanchez

Prelude

For All the Saints
arr. by Douglas E. Wagner

Vista Bells
Paulette McClellan, organ

Installation of Interim Minister, Rev. David McVey

Rev. Kim Fields-Haley

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 32)

Bonnie

Leader: Trust in the Eternal One.

All: *We come in hope.*

Leader: Rejoice in God's unfailing love.

All: *We come in faith.*

Leader: Celebrate the grace that is ours.

People: We come to sing with gladness!

*Opening Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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*Opening Prayer

Bonnie

We come before you, Lord. We are your beloved children. Remind us of that truth today. Fill us with a sense of how welcome we are with you and of your deep delight in us. Receive our worship and strengthen our hearts to receive your love and your Spirit's gifts to us that we may reflect your glory and shine like stars. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Bonnie

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the

appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

One: A word from God for the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Prayer Hymn

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

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(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with us at office@montevista.org.)

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Bonnie

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Pastor Dave

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother. Holy is your name. May your love be embodied in the world. May your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Protect us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth, and the fullness of love that will be, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

For All the Saints
by Kenneth Mahy

Vista Voices

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 19:1-10

Pastor Dave

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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Sermon

A Story That Tells the Story

Pastor Dave

*Hymn of Response

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

540 (vv 1, 2)

All Saints Day Commemoration

All Saints Day Remembrances

Linda Hunter

Ray Reeder – 3/23/25

Marcia Larson – 4/3/25

I.B. Hoover – 4/10/25

Prayer (in unison)

O God, we thank you for these loved ones and friends who have been part of the church here on earth and now are part of the church triumphant in heaven. We remember the courage, hope, love, and faith in You that sustained them and touched our lives. We grieve that they are no longer with us. At the same time, we celebrate that they are experiencing eternal life, the blessed hope for which all of us yearn someday. We pray that you comfort us and stir us to greater resolve to follow you in both easy and difficult times. In Christ's name, Amen.

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship

Invitation to the Table

Gerri Warner

(Your tithes & offerings can be given via online donations on [our website](#), on the [Givelify app](#), or by mailing your check to the church office. Thank you.)

*Communion Hymn

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

540 (vv 3, 4)

Words of Institution

Pastor Dave

Prayers for the Bread and Cup

Gerri

Receiving Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor Dave

Invitation to the Community of MVCC

Bonnie

*Closing Hymn

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*Announcements

Bonnie

*Benediction

Pastor Dave

Postlude

March & Chorus of Angels
by Alexandre Guilmant

Paulette

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Bonnie Sanchez, Worship Leader  
Wally Miller, Sound

Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist  
Rev. Dave McVey, Preaching & Presiding



## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3. To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
 4. Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

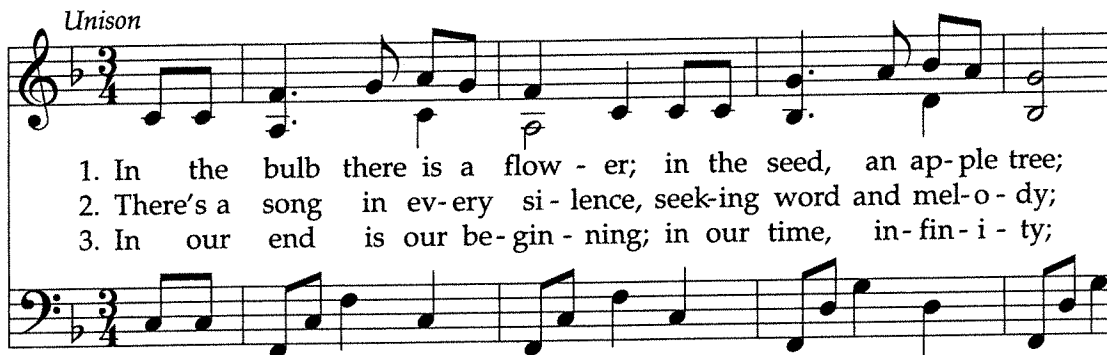
most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,  
 all prais - es we ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.  
 that on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

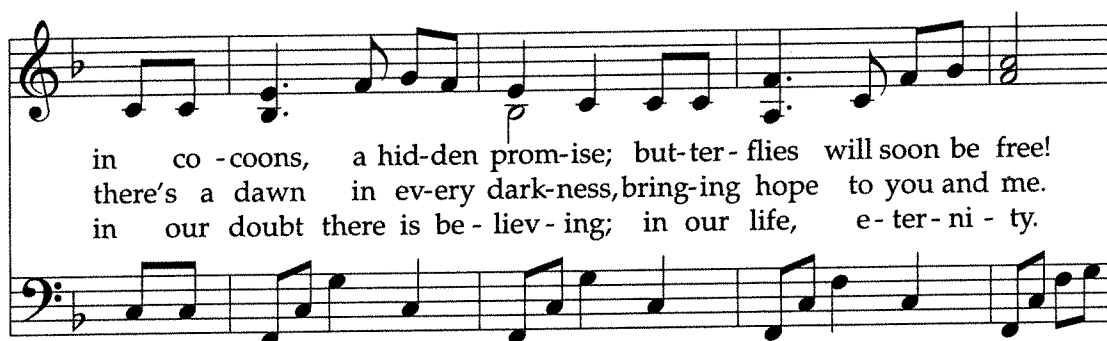
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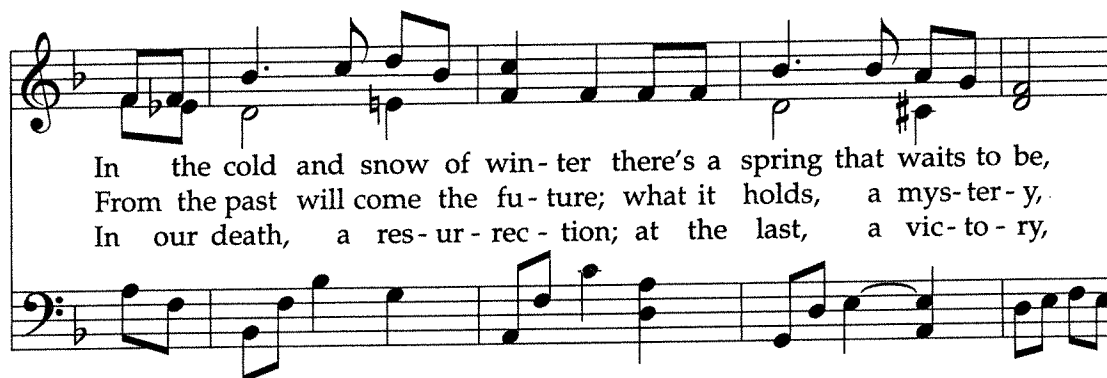
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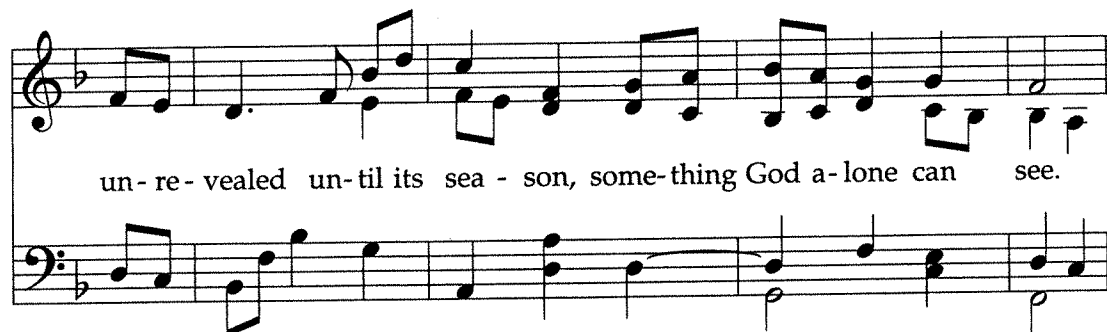
1. In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;  
2. There's a song in ev - ery si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;  
3. In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;



in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise; but - ter - flies will soon be free!  
there's a dawn in ev - ery dark - ness, bring - ing hope to you and me.  
in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.



In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,  
From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,  
In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,



un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

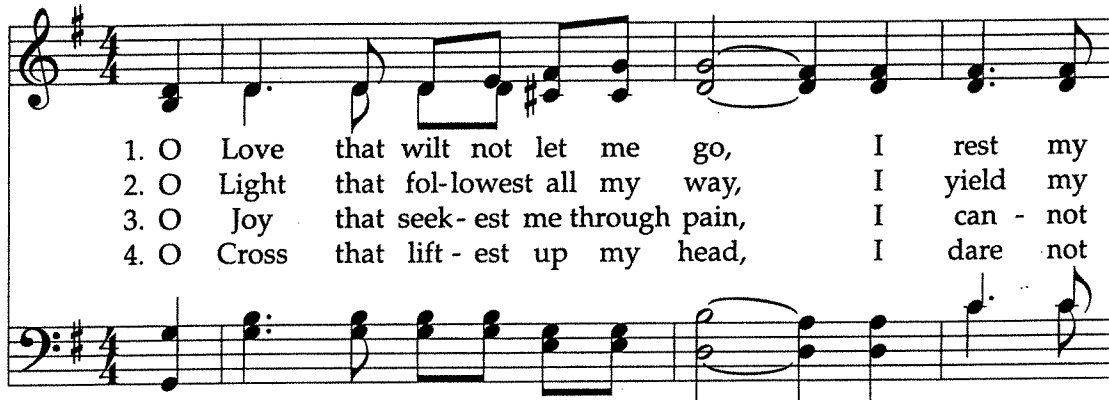
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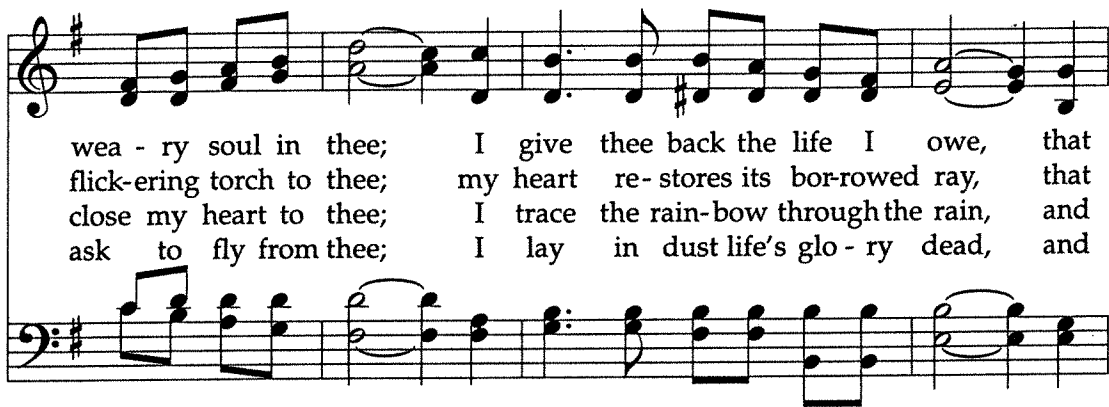
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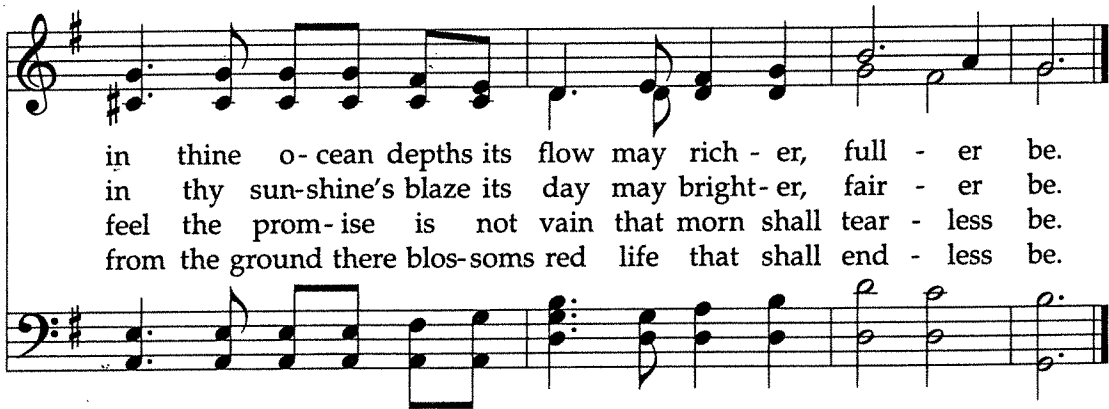
# 540 O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go



1. O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my  
 2. O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my  
 3. O Joy that seek-est me through pain, I can - not  
 4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not



wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that  
 flick-ering torch to thee; my heart re-stores its bor-rowed ray, that  
 close my heart to thee; I trace the rain-bow through the rain, and  
 ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and



in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.  
 in thy sun-shine's blaze its day may bright-er, fair - er be.  
 feel the prom-ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.  
 from the ground there blos-soms red life that shall end - less be.

WORDS: George Matheson, 1882  
 MUSIC: Albert L. Peace, 1884

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## For All the Saints

*Unison*


1. For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who  
 2. Thou wast their rock, their for-tress, and their might: their  
 3. O blest com - mun - ion, com - pa - ny di - vine!  
 4. And when the strife is fierce, the con - flict long,  
 5. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



1. thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 2. strength and sol - ace in the well-fought fight;  
 3. We live and strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine;  
 4. steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song,  
 5. gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



1. name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 2. thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true light.  
 3. yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
 4. and hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.  
 5. sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

WORDS: William W. How, 1864, alt.  
 MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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