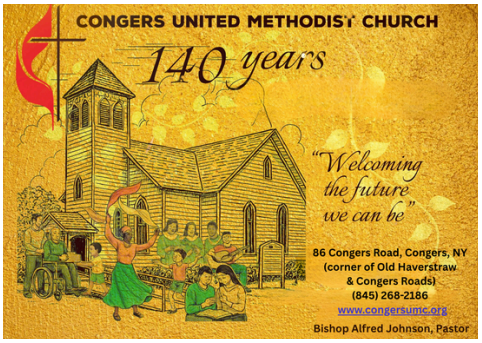

ALL SAINTS' DAY
November 1



*Stand in body or spirit

SUNDAY WORSHIP
Twenty- Sunday after Pentecost
November 1, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Bold responses read in unison

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

WELCOME **Worship Leader, Bishop J**

CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Today we have gathered together to honor the saints who have gone before us and to give thanks to God for their lives and their witness. For the countless saints of history who have blazed a trail of courage through time,
People: We remember, O God.
Leader: For the tender touch of loved ones, the example of heroes, the healing words of comforters, the remarkable acts of fearless ones,
People: We remember, O God.
Leader: For the gentle strength of grandparents, the loyalty of friends, the kindness of strangers, the joy of children, the sacrifice of parents,
People: We remember, O God.
Leader: For the supreme love of Jesus, the blessing of his Spirit, the reminder of his words,
People: We remember, O God.
Leader: For the saints of God in every time and place who have shown us the Lord,
People: We remember, O God.
Leader: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us worship God with joy!

***OPENING HYMN** *"When We All get to Heaven "* UMH # 701

OPENING PRAYER
Loving Father, we humbly dedicate these offerings to your use. Like the saints who have gone before us, we are comforted by the knowledge that you will multiply these gifts. Allow this money to become a resource that lifts the shadows of despair from the recesses of people's lives. We recognize that only you can restore faith to the faithless, hope to the hopeless, and love to the loveless. May your will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven! **Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Eternal God, before whom generations rise and pass away, we praise you for all your servants who, having lived in faith, now live eternally with you. We remember the ancestors of our faith—those who taught us to walk in your ways and to hope in your word. We remember the prophets, teachers, and guides who helped us hear your voice and discern your will. We remember our family and friends—grandparents, parents, siblings, and loved ones—who have gone before us in this past year.

We commend to you all whose names we do not know, yet who are held in your everlasting love. Grant us grace to trust your mercy for all your children. In the communion of saints we find our hope; in confessing our sin we find your mercy.

SILENT MEDITATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS, GRACE AND HEALING
People of God, hear this truth: The Holy One meets us in our remembering and meets us in our need. The God who held the saints now holds us. The God who carried them now carries us. You are loved. You are surrounded by saints whose light cannot be extinguished. Walk in that light. Live in that grace. The God who forgave them forgives us still. You are forgiven. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! **AMEN**. Share this blessing with your neighbors.

WELCOMING FIRST OR SECOND TIME WORSHIPPERS AND SPECIAL GUESTS

REMEMBERING AND CELEBRATING OUR SAINTS ABOVE (2 minute witnesses)

John D. Anthony	**Jayon Anthony**
Jon Kevin Jones	**“**
Wilfredo Barera	**Cheery Villasenor**
Rosemary Jaeger	**Evelyn Jaeger**
Hector/Raymond Quiles	**“**
Anita Schmidt	**Billy Schmidt**
Alice Stewart Williams	**Ironda Lynce**

Reading of the All Saints List with chimes

PROCLAMATION

***SONG OF PREPARATION** *“Oh Mary Don’t You Weep”* CongersUMC Ensemble

***SCRIPTURE LESSON** Colossians 1:9-13

PRESENTING OUR GUEST PREACHER Bishop J

MESSAGE ***“The Light Shines Through”*** **Rev. Gina Yeske**
Associate Superintendent
Bridges Consultant

RESPONSE

SILENT MEDITATION AND INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF COMPASSION/ PASTORAL PRAYER
You are invited to lift names for prayers of celebration or concern; respond with “Thanks be to God/ Lord, in your mercy hear our prayers”

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERING
Reminder: People to People Food Ministry
Samaritan Christmas Box due November 9

Congers UMC now has online giving with Givelify:
go to https://www.givelify.com designate Congers UMC.
Or, use our QR code by pointing the camera on your cell phone to this image:



OFFERTORY *“Now Thank We All Our God”* UMH # 102

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION AND CANDLELIGHTING

SENDING

***SENDING HYMN** “*Soon and Very Soon* ” UMH #706

***SENDING, DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING** **Rev. Yeske**

POSTLUDE

Acolytes carry the Light into the world!

thank you Today's Worship Team:

Guest Preacher: Rev. Gina Yeske
Music: Jim West
Special Music: CongersUMC Ensemble
Facebook Coordinator: Cheery Villaseñor



All November Birthdays!
Eufemia Tacadena (11/3)
John Jaeger (11/14)

Welcome to Congers UMC. We are happy to have you with us. Join us for a time of food and fellowship after worship service in the fellowship hall. If this is your first or second time with us, please fill in your name, email address, and/or cell number in the **"CongersUMC Connect Card"** in the back of the pew in front of you. Kindly place it in the offering plates or give it to any member.

You may also access this form digitally with our "Connect" QR code. We hope to see you again.

*Please be aware that we use ***Facebook Live for our worship services.*** If you are uncomfortable being screened or having pictures taken of yourself or family members, please let our Communications Team (Cheery Villaseñor or Bishop J know).

Today, We celebrate the **23rd, Sunday after Pentecost**, when the Holy Spirit came with sound and tongues of fire to empower the disciples and the church to continue the work of Jesus to unfold and evolve God's Kingdom to form disicples of Jesus Christ who will "Love Boldly, Serve Joyously and Lead Courageously for the Transformation of the World"

Today is ***"All Saints Sunday". We remember and celebrate those who have been lights to us and have now passed away. We continue to live out and carry their lights!***

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE

COMPASSION PRAYERS



- Please keep in heart and prayer church members, families, and friends who stand in the need of prayer. You can find the complete list on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. (If there are additions, removals, or amendments to this list, please let Pat Williams know.)
- We pray for God's Peace and Justice throughout our country and throughout this world; such as the ongoing wars and conflicts between Israel and Palestine, Ukraine and Russia, Israel and Iran, our country and Iran, The Congo, Somalia and other parts of Africa, and other parts of our world. Global issues, such as, immigration, atomic energy, women and children abuse, active shootings, climate change, attacks on democracy, disarmament, food insecurity, the unsheltered, etc.

SERVICE



- If you didn't bring your non-perishable food item to be donated to ***PEOPLE TO PEOPLE***, this Sunday, and you would like to donate, bring it next week or see Francis Reid, coordinator, for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS



- **7pm Tuesdays, Weekly Prayer meetings**
by Zoom with **Dr. Stacy May;** All are invited:
Zoom Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89011272653?pwd=R6MHcGE8v0QnyKVOc2zZxbDFoY16ps.1
Meeting ID: 890 1127 2653
Passcode: 653740

- **Saturday, November 7, 4pm, Boots on the Ground is coming back!!**



All Saints Sunday

Remembering the beloved saints among us,
trusting that their light shines still.
Thanks be to God for lives that continue to illuminate our own.

In loving memory:	Remembered by:	In loving memory:	Remembered by:
Eliza Jane Daly Evelyn Reed Joseph Nias Joseph Daly Go Go West Mary Nias Olivia Nias Jones Joseph Benjamin Daly Henry Daly Henry Jones	Carole Anderson	Alice Williams Miles Lowe Williams Earl and Cora Johnson Eddie Mae Clack Stewart Helen Crabbe Rev. Lamont Granby Charles Senteio Ken Vanish Kenneth Johnson Kim Johnson Sherrie Dobbs Johnson Lois G. Johnson Flora Simmons	Bishop Alfred and Shantelle Williams Johnson
John D. Anthony Jon Kevin Jones	Jayon Anthony		
George Bullock, Sr	Shakia Bullock	Daisy Mae-Ernest Mae Donna May-Barry Tanksler Mary Mae, Annie Mae Hipp Stephan Blakner Oscar Blakner	Rev. Dr. Stacey May
Esther and Adolpho Cantillano Sisters Lydia, Nancy, Ana Joe Saraceno	Linda Cantillano		
Rosie McGrath Ellen Stiles	Molly Colucci	Guertha Thomas	Nick-Herson Orange
Rev. Dr. Wilfredo Barrera	CongersUMC	Eric Reid Catherine Knight William Knight Elizabeth Reid Roosevelt Reid	James and Frances Reid
Rev. Vernon Dougherty Josephine Ross Edmund Dingle	Gerri Dougherty		
Hector Quiles Raymond Quiles Rosemary Jaeger Irene Reyes	Evelyn Jaeger/John Jaeger	Anita Schmidt	Billy Schmidt
		Ida Allen Dennis Oakley	Pat Williams

