st. peter's chelsea

All Saints' Day

November 1, 2026

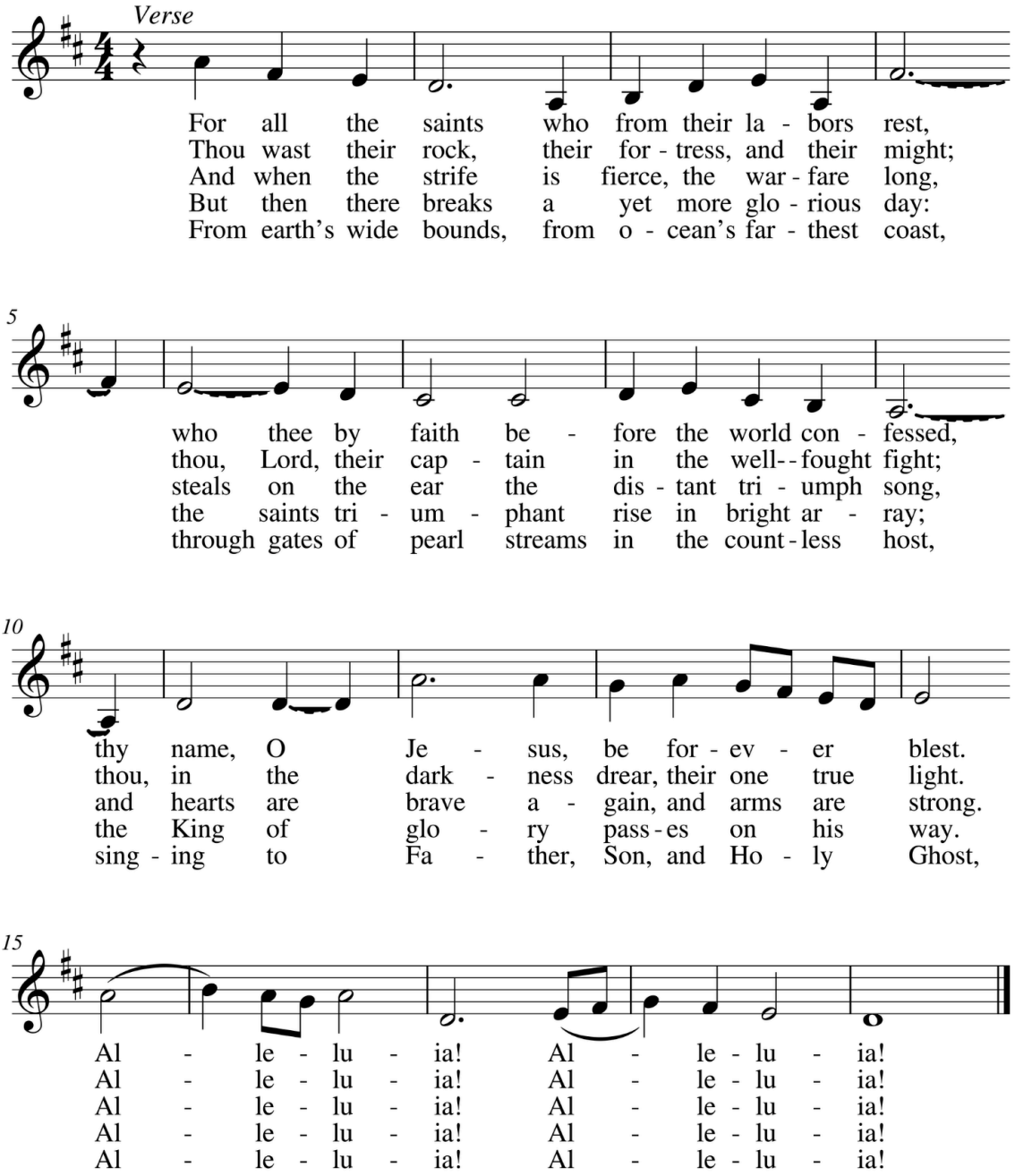
10:00 AM

Note for parents: We love the "joyful noise" of kids and welcome them into our worship! In the back of the church, there is an area with children's toys and books. If you need a quiet space, the rectory is open and available with toys and a diaper changing station. You are welcome there anytime or you can ask a greeter for help.

PRELUDE

Please rise in body or spirit.

OPENING HYMN *For All the Saints*



My.Hymnary #104 - For all the Saints, who from their labor rest
WORDS: William W. How
MUSIC (SINE NOMINE 10.10.10.8. with Alleluias): Ralph Vaughan Williams

OPENING ACCLAMATION

+ indicates a place where we traditionally cross ourselves

Celebrant +Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Al–le–lu–ia! Alleluia!
Al–le–lu–ia! Alleluia!

Please be seated.

LISTENING | Revelation 7: 9–17

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM | Psalm 34: 1–10, 22

I will bless the LORD at all times;
whose praise shall ever be in my mouth.
I will glory in the LORD;
let the humble hear and rejoice.
Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt the Name of the LORD together.
I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me out of all my terror.

Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear God,
who will deliver them.

Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who trust in God!

Fear the LORD, you that are the saints of God,
for those who fear him lack nothing.

The young lions lack and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.

The LORD ransoms the lives of those who serve God,
and none will be punished who trust in the LORD.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Please rise.

GRADUAL *The Kingdom is Yours*

The Kingdom is yours, the Kingdom is yours
Hold on a little more, this is not the end
Hope is in the Lord, keep your eyes on him
(repeat)

Celebrant +The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL | Matthew 5: 1–12

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Kingdom is yours, the Kingdom is yours
Hold on a little more, this is not the end
Hope is in the Lord, keep your eyes on him
(repeat)

Please be seated.

Children ages 3 to those in 5th grade are invited to a time of children's worship; they will return to the sanctuary in time for Communion.

SERMON

The Rev. Christine Lee

Please rise.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *adapted from a prayer by Janet Morley*

For all the saints who went before us, who have spoken to our hearts and touched us with your fire,
we praise you, O God.

For all the saints who live beside us, whose weaknesses and strengths are woven with our own,
we praise you, O God.

Come with power to your world. Bring order to the confusion of our lives and hope as the response to our fears. For your mercies which are new every morning, **we praise you, O God.**

Have compassion on refugees and immigrants; draw near to those who are victims of war. Protect especially the children. In your mercy release them from distress. As you are a friend in suffering, **we praise you, O God.**

Have mercy on all who are sick, who struggle with illness and disease. We pray for healing and comfort, for grace. For your promise to strengthen and uphold them, **we praise you, O God.**

Grant to the departed a share in the inheritance of the saints, save them through the mercy of Christ. Bring them at last, to be with you O God, in the place of eternal love.
We praise you, O God.

Celebrant Lord, look upon your holy Christian Church, the communion of saints here on earth. Strengthen and keep us in the one true faith, and make us grow in fervent love for you and for one another. Bring us with your saints to glory everlasting, that with them we may sing your praise forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God,**
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

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You can give in the offering box near the doors, through our website or by using the QR code:

OFFERTORY "Even Unto Death" by Audrey Assad and Matt Maher
Sung by Martha Lee

**written in memory of the 21 Coptic Christians martyred in Libya in 2015. "The captives prayed, their lips moving silently, their eyes closed or raised to the heavens. What were they whispering, in those last, fast-fading moments of their lives? Were they afraid? What would I pray, if it were me kneeling on that beach?" - Audrey Assad*

DOXOLOGY

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.

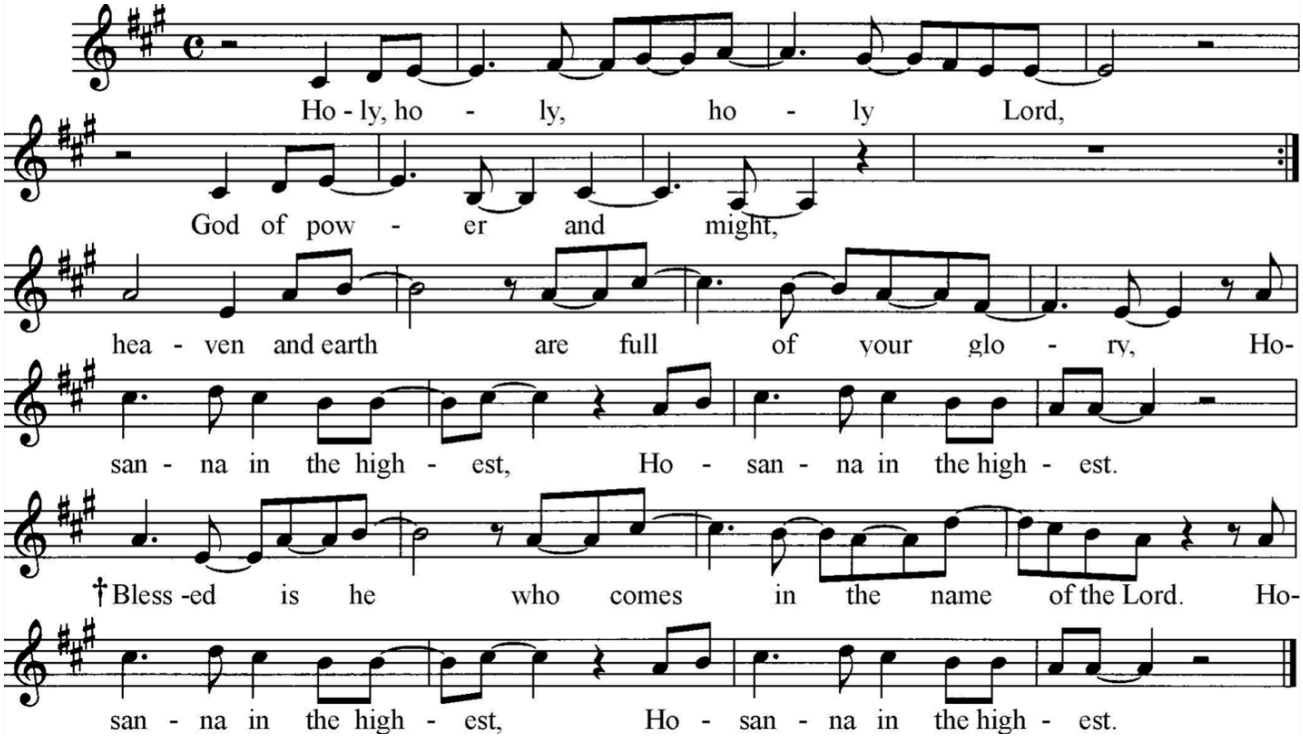
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS



WORDS: Book of Common Prayer MUSIC: Brian Milner, from Mass for the Beloved

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

+Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All
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 into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.**

Celebrant This is the table of Jesus Christ.
It is made ready for those who love God
and who want to love God more.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little,
you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time,
you who have tried to follow and you who have failed,
you who are here for the very first time.
Come, it is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

Please be seated and the ushers will guide you forward for communion.
If you would like to receive communion, hold your palms open when the celebrant comes to you.
All wafers are gluten-free. If you prefer a blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION SONGS *Be Still My Soul / Blessed Be Your Name*

WORDS/MUSIC: Jean Sibelius, Katharina von Schlegel

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be your name

Blessed be your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be your name

Every blessing you pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in
Still I will say

CHORUS:
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your name

Blessed be your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be'
Blessed be your name

Blessed be your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be your name

Every blessing you pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in
Still I will say

CHORUS

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord Blessed be your name
(repeat)

WORDS / MUSIC: Matt Redman

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS (*Video Remembrance*)

**When the video ends, you are invited to come forward to light a candle in remembrance of your loved one.*

Please rise.

CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty God, by your grace
you surround us with so great a cloud of witnesses;
Thank you for all who have gone before us,
for what they achieved and what they learned.
Give us strength to do your will,
to be your body now. Amen.

DISMISSAL

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Feast of the Ancestors

We welcome you to join us at the front around the altar
as we enjoy the favorite foods of our loved ones!

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S CHELSEA!

We're so glad that you joined us today! Please sign up for our email newsletter at www.stpeterschelsea.org, follow us on Instagram and Facebook @stpeterschelsea and find out more ways to get connected.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Chorale Invitation. The St. Peter's Chorale will sing on December 6th (Advent Week 2) and we need your lovely voice! We'll practice after church on: **November 8, November 15** and do a run-through before service on **Dec. 6th.** Contact Beeca Lin to join at beecalin@gmail.com.

Spiritual Practice Pilgrimage. Join our spiritual practice pilgrimage led by Kimberly Malone this fall. You'll be invited to design a meaningful and sustainable spiritual practice, explore how that practice shapes your daily life, and share alongside others. **Pilgrimage Check-Ins** will be held virtually from 8–9:30 p.m. on **November 19, and December 17.** To learn more or sign up, email 30days@stpeterschelsea.org.

***American Hagwon* Book Club, Thursday, November 19 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the Rectory.** Join us for a St. Peter's Book Club discussion on the new novel *American Hagwon* by Min Jin Lee. In the third novel of her diasporic quartet, Lee follows the trials and tribulations of the Koh family as they navigate the IMF crisis and life as diasporic Koreans in Australia and the US. Lee explores the value of education and family connection as both a deeply cultural value and an entirely universal one. Come if you've read the book or if you're just curious! RSVP to minaleazer@gmail.com.

Save the Date: Family Table, Sunday, November 22. Please save the date for our next Family Table, right after service on Sunday, November 22 as we wrap up the Season of Stewardship and review our 2027 church budget.

WEEKLY GATHERINGS:

- **Find Your Rhythm in House Church.** Come anchor yourself in rhythms that give life. House Church is a space to come back to center: sharing a meal, praying with and for one another, and listening for God's voice together.
    - Downtown, Wed, 6:30-8:30 pm. Contact: Abby Liu at downtown@stpeterschelsea.org.
    - Uptown, Wed, 7:15-9 pm. Contact: Nhaca Schulze at nhaca@schulzelink.net.
- **Yoga + Noonday Prayer,** Wednesdays from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm, Rev. Lisha leads 30 minute yoga sessions in the sanctuary followed by Noonday Prayer. RSVP to lisha@stpeterschelsea.org.
- **Zoom Prayer,** Weekdays at 8 am. Start the morning with prayer, connection, and peace with the Episcopal Diocese of NY. Visit the Connect page on our website for the link.
- **Food Pantry,** Fridays from 4-6 pm or Saturdays from 9:30-11:30 am. Join us to serve our neighbors in need. Sign up through the link on the food pantry page of our website.

Visit our website for a full list of our events & weekly gatherings: www.stpeterschelsea.org/connect

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St. Peter's Chelsea

STEWARDSHIP 2027

Use this link to fill out the pledge form online

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name

Other Family Members

Address

Email

Phone

MEMBERSHIP

Being a member of St. Peter's Chelsea means: Participating regularly in St. Peter's worship life, giving financially to the ministry of St. Peter's, and serving the community with my gifts and talents.

Please select below:

- ☐ **I am a member of St. Peter's Chelsea**
- ☐ **I am interested in exploring membership at St. Peter's Chelsea**
- ☐ **Other (undecided, need more time, etc)**

ANNUAL PLEDGE

The annual pledge supports the ongoing operating budget of St. Peter's. All giving toward the pledge must be made by Dec 31, 2027.

Total Annual Pledge: _____

This annual budget is on behalf of:

- ☐ **An individual**
- ☐ **The household**

I will fulfill my pledge by giving:

- ☐ **Annually**
- ☐ **Monthly**
- ☐ **Twice a month**
- ☐ **Weekly**

1831 RECTORY PROJECT

Please consider giving a courageous and sacrificial gift to support the restoration of our 1831 Rectory.

Total Gift Toward the 1831 Rectory Project: _____

Learn how to give by visiting our giving page at stpeterschelsea.org/give.
You can also fulfill your pledge or give toward the 1831 Rectory Project by mailing a check to:
St. Peter's Chelsea, 346 W. 20th Street. New York, NY 10011

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VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT

Please fill out this section below even if you're already volunteering at St. Peter's to indicate that you'd like to renew your commitment to serving in those roles. You can learn more about St. Peter's vision for service and the volunteer opportunities at www.stpeterschelsea.org/volunteer

- ☐ **Usher/greeter**
- ☐ **Reader (scripture at worship service)**
- ☐ **Hospitality (providing Coffee Hour snacks)**
- ☐ **Outreach (Saturday Food Pantry)**
- ☐ **Outreach (Community Events: Ash Wednesday, Pride Parade, etc)**
- ☐ **Administration/Office Assistance**
- ☐ **Altar Guild**
- ☐ **Eucharistic Minister**
- ☐ **Children's Ministry & Youth Ministry**
- ☐ **Music Ministry (Worship Team)**
- ☐ **Fundraising (grant writing, strategy, capital campaign, etc)**
- ☐ **Other (Please specify below):**

Questions or Comments: