ALL SAINTS SUNDAY REMEMBRANCES First Christian Church, Murray, KY

Sunday, November 1, 2020

[Please light a candle to create a sacred space and as a way to honor those whose names are listed.]

Today we celebrate All Saints Sunday, when we remember those who are near and dear to the hearts of our congregation, who have returned to God. Today we pray in memory of family members and church family members and friends. Let us remember the promises that the Lord has given us about these people, who have touched us and made a difference in our lives. Let us remember those who have gone before us—

Whose souls are in the hands of God.

What did Jesus promise us?

Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet he shall live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die."

Jesus said: "Let not your hearts be troubled ... In my Father's house there are many rooms ... and when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may also be."

The list of people below are all those mentioned by our church family beginning on Memorial Day 2019 until the present as we were asked to pray for those they left behind. Let us remember the following people who have crossed the threshold from this life over into eternity and whose souls are now in the hands of God.

Dr. Robert H. "Doc" McGaughey III Adam Seo

Walter Clayton "Biscuit" Stalls Maxine Bruno

Lila Williams "Big" John Williams

Moyna Maxine Arnett Sims Robert Cox

Gary Williams Velva Maupin

Brian Burnett Rachel Watson

Joe Pat Barnett Adam Loader

Rev. Dr. David Roos Mary Horner Cossiboom

Cindy Rigsby Charles Garfinkel

Margaret Porter Boone Mary Lou Croghan

Wolfgang Virmond James Ray Hamilton

Barbara Ann Meier Don Kent Lay

Dan Parker William Taylor Wingfield

Don Story Christina Jones

Dave E. Maupin Dorothy Voss

Ruth Hendrix Lochie Fay Hart

Carolyn Chandler Tiffany Steier

Coach Cary Miller Terie Burkeen Frederick

Larry Tyler Allorah Day Turney

Peter F. O'Rourke III Frank Clifford Alexander

James B. 'Jimmy' Slay Janie Eckstein's Aunt Wenda

Joan Cud Clay Cornelison

Nadine Arnold Eileen Guarino

Ardis Drabikn Gerald Schultz

E. Wayne Peek Theda Farris

Joy Burgoyne Glenda Roos

Julie Drake

Eternal God, who knows each of your children by name, we thank you for those who have run the race of faith before us, and now surround us like a cloud of witnesses. We thank you for those whose live and love have reflected Your life and Your love to us, and have lifted us higher. They are our heroes. We thank you for those in every time and place who have been bold enough to claim you as their Lord, and have dedicated their lives to passing the Word of Your love and the hope of Your peace to each new generation. Show us, we pray, the parts You want us to play in the unfolding story of your love. Speak through us and move through us, so that Your light may shine on, and draw all of Your children into Your kingdom. We pray in the name of your Son, the Light of the world, who assures us that love is stronger than death and that after this life there is more life! Amen.