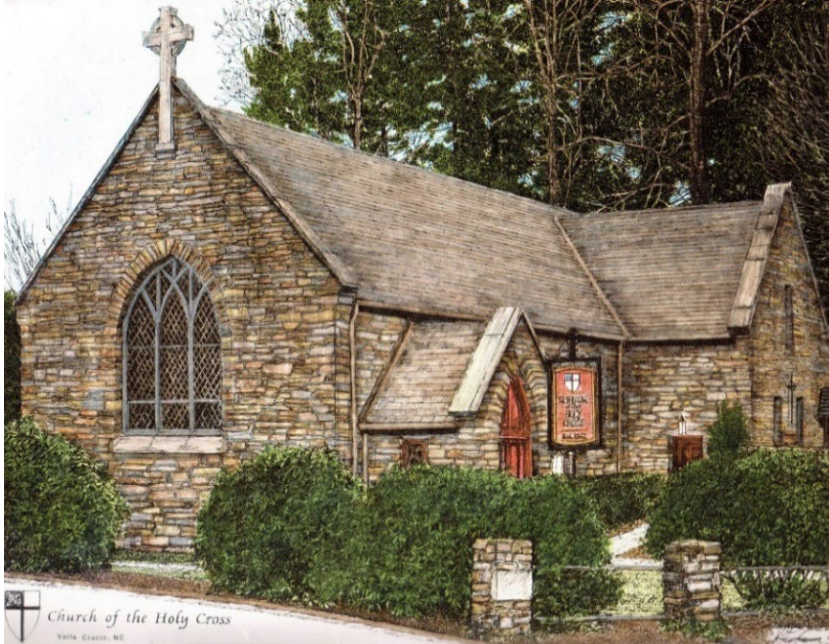


# The Church of the Holy Cross Valle Crucis, North Carolina



The Episcopal Church in the Vale of the Cross Since 1842

*All Saints' Sunday*

**November 3, 2024**

Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:00 AM

## *Welcome Home to Holy Cross!*

It is our privilege to worship with you this morning! Please know that all baptized Christians regardless of Church denomination, and all who seek a deeper knowledge and love of God in Christ are most welcome to receive the bread and wine of the Holy Eucharist.

Children are most welcome and encouraged to participate in all services at Holy Cross. Rocking chairs have been provided for caregivers with infants.

If this is your first time at Holy Cross, please complete a *Visitor Card* and let us know about your visit, especially if you have a specific need or prayer request. Visitor Cards are found in the pew racks. If you would like additional information about our many ministries and activities, speak to one of our Ushers or Greeters, or stop by Skiles Hall during the fellowship hour that follows each service. We would be happy to speak with you in person.

If you would like to make a financial offering or contribution, you can do so by scanning this QR Code or via our website at [www.holycrossvallecrucis.net](http://www.holycrossvallecrucis.net)



It is the custom in The Episcopal Church to prepare for worship by gathering in reverent silence and prayer, and during the worship service, stand for praise, sit for instruction, and, as you are able, kneel for prayer. Please respect the devotional needs of others by turning off cellular telephones and electronic devices, and by speaking with hushed voices.

*Again, Welcome Home to Holy Cross! And may God's peace enfold you.*

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## Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### The Word of God

**Prelude:**

*Offered by Niki Craig*

***Parish Announcements***

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**The Processional Hymn: #287 “For All the Saints”**  
*(verses 1, 5-8 only)*

*Sine nomine*

**Opening Acclamation:**

EOW I 50

**Priest:** Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

***People:*** **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Collect for Purity:**

BCP 355

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.

***People:*** **Amen.**

**The Response: Hymn #7 “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”**

*Ratisbon*

**Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise!**

**Triumph o’er the shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.**

**The Collect of the Day:**

The Lord be with you.

***People:*** **And also with you.**

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.

***People:*** **Amen.**

*All are now seated for the readings from Scripture.*

## The Lesson from the New Testament:

Revelation 21:1-6a

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*A time for silent reflection follows.*

**The Response:** *(Prayed responsively by whole verse as noted in bold type)*

**Psalm 24**

- 1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, \*  
the world and all who dwell therein.
- 2 **For it is he who founded it upon the seas \*  
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? \*  
and who can stand in his holy place?"
- 4 **"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, \*  
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,  
nor sworn by what is a fraud.**
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD \*  
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
- 6 **Such is the generation of those who seek him, \*  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the King of glory shall come in.

- 8      **“Who is this King of glory?” \***  
**“The LORD, strong and mighty,**  
**the LORD, mighty in battle.”**
- 9      Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10     **“Who is he, this King of glory?” \***  
**“The LORD of hosts,**  
**he is the King of glory.”**

*A time for silent reflection follows.*

**The Children’s Homily:      “A Tour Through the Saints”      Rev. Robert Hartmans**

*All children are most welcome to come forward for the children’s homily.*

*After the story all are invited to rejoin their parents or to join Patty and Mary for activities in Skiles Hall.  
Children will return at the Passing of the Peace.*

**The Gradual Hymn: #293      “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”      Grand Isle**

**The Holy Gospel:      John 11:32-44**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
***People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.”

*Continued...*

When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon:**

**The Rev. Robert G. Hartmans**

*A time of silence follows the Sermon. Please remain seated until the Altar Ministers stand.*

**The Renewal of Baptismal Vows:**

BCP 304

Priest: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People:** I do.

Priest: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Priest: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People:** I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Priest: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People:** 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.

Priest: Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**People:** I will, with God’s help.

Priest: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**People:** I will, with God’s help.

Priest: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

**People: I will, with God's help.**

Priest: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

**People: I will, with God's help.**

Priest: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**People: I will, with God's help.**

Priest: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness (†) of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

### **The Prayers of the People:**

Priest: Let us pray for each other, for those whose lives are linked with ours, for those we love, and for those we love and see no more.

*All stand or kneel for the prayers as they are able.*

Leader: I invite your prayers and hopes for the mission of the church.  
How do you ask God to direct the church?

*The people are invited to offer prayers and hopes either in their heart or by saying out loud:*

*"My prayer is: \_\_\_\_\_. This is my prayer."*

*The people will respond:*

**People: This is our prayer.**

Leader: I invite your prayers for the world in which we live.  
What would you like God to do in our world?

*The people are invited to offer prayers and hopes either in their heart or by saying out loud:*

*"My prayer is: \_\_\_\_\_. This is my prayer."*

*The people will respond:*

**People: This is our prayer.**

Leader: I invite your prayers on behalf of those who suffer.  
Who do you pray for?

*Continued...*

*The people are invited to offer prayers and hopes either in their heart or by saying out loud:*

*“My prayer is: \_\_\_\_\_. This is my prayer.”*

*The people will respond:*

**People: This is our prayer.**

Leader: I invite you to pray with me as I name those who are in need of healing in this community.

*The people are invited to offer prayers and hopes either in their heart or by saying out loud:*

*“My prayer is: \_\_\_\_\_. This is my prayer.”*

*The people will respond:*

**People: This is our prayer.**

Leader: I invite you to praise God for the blessings of your life.

*The people are invited to offer thanksgivings either in their heart or by saying out loud:*

*“My thanksgiving is: \_\_\_\_\_. This is my thanksgiving.”*

*The people will respond:*

**People: This is our thanksgiving.**

Leader: We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray for the peace of Jerusalem and for an end to the war and human suffering throughout the Middle East, Lebanon, Gaza, and the Ukraine.

We pray for those who travel this week.

We pray for those who have died in your faith and fear, and for those who have died outside the faith.

*The people are invited to offer names either in their heart or out loud.*

Priest: Most loving God, whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things, to fear nothing but the loss of you, and to cast our care on you who care for us: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, which you have manifested to us in Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

**People: Amen.**

All stand.



**The Peace:**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*All greet one another in the Name of the Lord.*

**The Welcome:**

**The Rev. Robert G. Hartmans**

**The Birthday and Anniversary Prayer:**

**Watch over your child(ren) O Lord,  
as *their* days increase.  
Bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be.  
Strengthen *them* when *they* stand.  
Comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful.  
Raise *them* up if *they* fall.  
And in *their* heart(s) may your peace  
which passes understanding,  
abide with *them* all the days of *their* lives;  
through Jesus Christ, Our Lord,  
Amen.**

***Concerning The Holy Communion***

*A reminder that all present are welcome to the Communion regardless of Christian denomination.*

*We consider it an honor and privilege to commune with all present as one united body of Christ.*

*To receive the bread, extend your hands towards the priest. To receive the wine, guide the bottom of the chalice with both hands. To receive the bread and wine together via intinction, place your right hand over your left shoulder. To receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, cross your arms across your chest.*

*If you have a gluten allergy, simply inform the priest when you come to the rail.*

**The Holy Communion**

**The Offertory Anthem:**

“Soon and Very Soon”

Andraé Crouch

**Presentation Hymn: #380 vs. 3 “The Doxology”**

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**  
*Eucharistic Prayer D*

BCP 372

**The Sursum Corda:**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

**The Sanctus:**

**WLP #785**

**Santo, santo, santo, mi corazón te adora!**

**Mi corazón te sabe decir: santo eres Señor.**

**Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!**

**My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.**

*All kneel or remain standing as they are able.*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

***People: We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend (†) upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone. We honor especially: Jeffrey Blair, Bruce Bon Fleur, Drew Catan, Jane Conway, Pete Cooper, Camdyn Corum, Harold Durham, Dale Eaton, Joy Flint, Nehemiah Garabedian, Tim Gardner, Jim Godwin, Alberto Hernandez, Betty Jo Hodges, Randy Hutchins, Joan Price Keele, Dick Larson, Janice Lumpkin, Darius Mackey, Michael Malone, Gretchen Martin, Kimberly McCarthy, Kate Millet, Maria Morton, Michael Neff, Shirley Nelson, Dee O'Brien, Lisa Runner, Herman Schirmacher, Jeanne Ann Seaver, Cindy Stonesifer, The Rev. Charlie Sumners, Deka Tate, Evelyn Taylor, King Triplett, Curtis Triplett, Jerry Vaughn, The Rev. Allan Warren, John Lawrence Watson, Brian Willis, and The Very Rev. Robert Willis. *Continued...*

Bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Mother Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles and martyrs, with Brother Skiles and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through (†) Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

**People:** *AMEN.*

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

**The Lord's Prayer:**

*Traditional Version*

BCP 364

**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:** (The Fraction)

*The Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

**The Invitation:**

*The Priest invites the people to Communion.*

*Please come to the Altar to receive Communion. At the Altar Rail move toward either wall so that those in the center will kneel last. Please wait to be dismissed; those in the center depart first.*

**Hymns during the Communion:**

**#560 “Remember Your Servants, Lord”**

**#620 “Jerusalem, My Happy Home”**

*An extended time for silent prayer and reflection precedes and follows each communion hymn.*

*When all have communed, the following hymn is sung.*

**Kneeling Hymn: #654**

**“Day by Day”** (*sung twice*)

*Sumner*

*An additional time for silent prayer and reflection precedes the following prayer.*

**The Post-communion Prayer:**

BCP 365

**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.**

*All stand.*

**The Blessing:**

*The Priest offers a blessing concluding with,*

And the Blessing of Almighty God: (†) the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be among you this day and remain with you always.

**People: Amen.**

**Processional Hymn: #556**

**“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!”**

*Marion*

**The Dismissal:**

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Postlude:**

*Offered by Niki Craig*

*We thank those who served this morning*

<i>Greeters/Oblationers:</i>	Katie Hall & Karla Prudhomme
<i>Ushers:</i>	Katie Hall & Karla Prudhomme
<i>Lector:</i>	Dawn Harris
<i>Prayers of the People:</i>	Dawn Harris
<i>Chalice:</i>	John Goodrich
<i>Acolytes:</i>	Ann Iles
<i>Linen Fairies:</i>	Mary Jane Major

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***TODAY, NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024***  
***All Saints' Sunday***

- 9:00 am** Valle Crucis United Methodist Church Service
- 10:00 am** **Potluck Brunch** with the Methodist Congregation (*Upper Skiles*)
- 11:00 am** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at Holy Cross (*with music and hymnody*)  
(*This service is Live-Streamed via our YouTube Channel*)
- 12:30 pm** Fellowship time in Skiles Hall

**November Adult Christian Education Classes**  
***Sundays at 10:15 am – Upper Skiles Hall***

Gather in Skiles Hall as Rev. Robert and Pastor Mike present a joint Christian Formation offering on Sunday mornings at 10:15 am. For the month of November, we will be examining the life and ministry of the Wesley Brothers, who are a common ancestor for both the Methodist and Anglican Tradition.

***Tuesdays at 9:00 AM***

**Daily Office prayers, Scripture, and centering prayer  
in the Church Chancel**

***Election Day Prayers for our Nation***

The 9am Eucharist on Tuesday, November 5 will be focused on prayers for our Union and our common life. The sanctuary is open all day for prayers.

***NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024***  
***The Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost***

- 9:00 am** Valle Crucis United Methodist Church Service  
**10:00 am** Joint Christian Formation (*Upper Skiles*)  
**11:00 am** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at Holy Cross (*with music and hymnody*)  
(*This service is Live-Streamed via our YouTube Channel*)  
**12:30 pm** ***Reception in Skiles Hall*** in honor of Elaine Kallestad & her family

***SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2024***  
***Elaine Kallestad's Farewell Reception***

You've heard of Hurricane Parties - well, Holy Cross Church will be having an "After Hurricane Party"! This will be to celebrate the music ministry of Elaine Kallestad who was our choir director and organist for 17 years. We had planned a celebration lunch for September 29th but as we know, Hurricane Helene had other ideas! Please come join us on Sunday November 10th for a reception following our 11:00 am worship service. Elaine will be back that day to provide music for worship and then join us at the reception where we can properly thank her for the many years of service. Please bring finger foods (cookies, sandwiches, cheeses, dips, etc.) for the reception. The choir has a presentation, so you don't want to miss that! We look forward to seeing you.

***MEN'S NIGHT OUT***

Due to the proximity of our usual meeting dates with both Thanksgiving and Christmas, MNO is combining those gatherings into a single holiday celebration in the dining hall at the Valle Crucis Conference Center on Tuesday, December 17, 2024. Additional details will follow in a few weeks.

# The Parish Prayer List: November 3, 2024

*Please keep the following in your prayers this week:*

**For Healing:** Our injured and disabled military personnel, our veterans, all civilians harmed in conflict, and for Dayton C., Laura B., Wendell S., Noyes L., Marilyn W., Gerry P., Rebecca M., Sam Y., Bill B., Roberta T., Gail T., Julia M., Walter B., Randy M., Shane B., Claire M., Sara P., Tav G., Bill M., Andrea M., Charles III, Mack G., Janis B., Anna Jane R., Steve S., Nick H., Pat & Linda H., Kate M., John N., Floyd T., Ray L., Leslie S., Hope L., David S., Terry & Jean M., Suzie L., Pam C., Mary M., Cornelia S., Ann G., Mary Jane M., Dave & Pat P., Jan H., Kelly C., Jesse H., Joe U., Rosalie G., \_\_\_\_\_.

**For those in Harm's Way:** All who serve with the armed forces at home & abroad, all who serve in the Peace Corps, and all health & relief workers throughout the world.

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