All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2026

Prelude *Steal Away* (arr. Lloyd Larson)
Carol & Friends

Welcome

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel or sit as you are comfortable. Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy God,

C we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.

P Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you.

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn *Shall We Gather at the River* (ELW 423)

1 Shall we gather at the river,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.

2 On the margin of the river,
washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever,
all the happy golden day. ***Refrain***

3 Ere we reach the shining river,
lay we ev'ry burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver,
and provide a robe and crown. ***Refrain***

4 Soon we'll reach the shining river,
soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver
with the melody of peace. ***Refrain***

Greeting

P The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Hymn of Praise





Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. Almighty God,

C you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who

love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Revelation 7:9-17

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation,
from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in
white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation
belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!" 11 And all the angels stood around
the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the
throne and worshiped God, 12 singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and
honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." 13 Then one of the elders
addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to
him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of
the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his
temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. 16 They will hunger no more and
thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, 17 for the Lamb at the center of
the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God
will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

R Word of God. Word of Life.
C Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 34:1-10, 22

R 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
C 2 I will glory in the Lord; let the lowly hear and rejoice.
R 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt God's name together.
C 4 I sought the Lord, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.
R 5 Look upon the Lord and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
C 6 I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.
R 7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord and delivers them.
C 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!
R 9 Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

C [10] **nothing that is good. The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack**

R [22] O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-3

[1] See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2] Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. [3] And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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C Thanks be to God.

KIDS' MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Cantor: If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. **(Refrain)**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

[1] When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2] And he began to speak and taught them, saying: [3] "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [4] "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. [5] "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. [6] "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. [7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

[8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. [9] "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. [10] "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [11] "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Andrew Kitzing

HYMN OF THE DAY *For All the Saints* (ELW 422, stanzas 1-4)

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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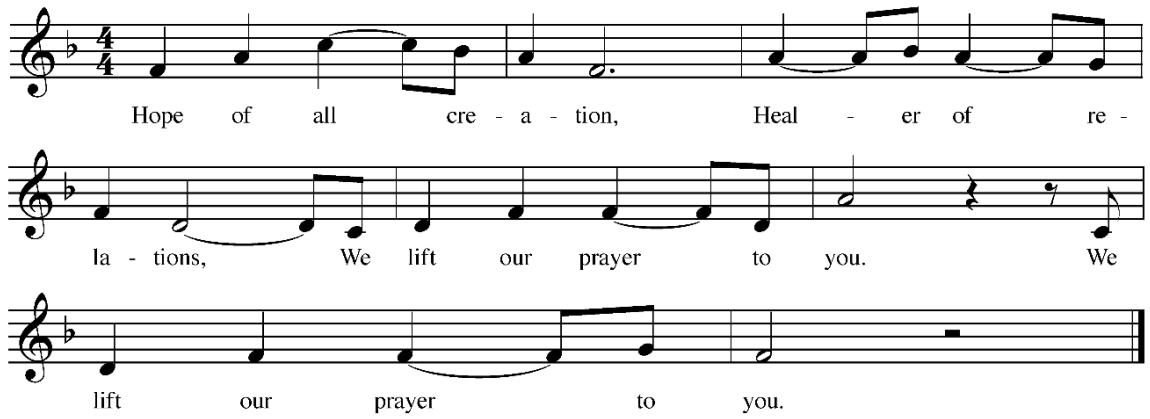
P God has made us God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C 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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 Hope of All Creation

All: Sing as opening and closing of the prayer



(In our prayers today, during a time of silence, pray for those listed below and for others according to their needs) Recent concerns: Brad Johnson, Pastor Bill Peterson, Pastor Carl Kramer, Dan Horn, Nyabuony Ubeck, Julius Swen, Jane Zatechka, Velda Schmidt & Hilda Torres. Those with ongoing concerns: Juli Johnson, Jan Christensen, Jeanette Metteer, Tom Hoeft, Terry Lander, Mary Brass, Vern Westberg, Michael Dalton & Beth Strasheim. Those who are part of our homebound community: Sylvia Kempf, M. Joyce Hansen, Cynthia Holt, Betty Miller, Dennis Schuster, Rod Price, De Hansen, & Margrett Wehland.

Litany of Remembrance

P When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried, therefore, with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we, too, might live a new life.

C For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

P In joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we remember this day those who have gone before us in faith and who rest from their labors in Jesus Christ.

We hear and remember the names of those in our congregation who have been buried from First Lutheran between All Saints Sundays: Darrell Bolles, Elaine Kruse, Richard Metteer, Donna Nelson, Nancy Spurrier, Thomas Kuhn, Rev. Robert Wessels, Cynthia Schuster, Margie Wessels, Julian Cortinas, Lorna Johnson, Eldon Wall, Nyayom Thoat and Ruby Augustine.

P As we remember these saints, strengthen us to follow Christ through this world until we are carried into the harvest of eternal life, where suffering and death will be no more. Hear our prayer in the name of the good and gracious Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Peace of Christ is Shared

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Noisy Offering Lakota Lutheran Center & Chapel

Music Offering *When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder* (arr. John DeBries)
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Offertory Hymn



Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. God of Creation,

C You send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

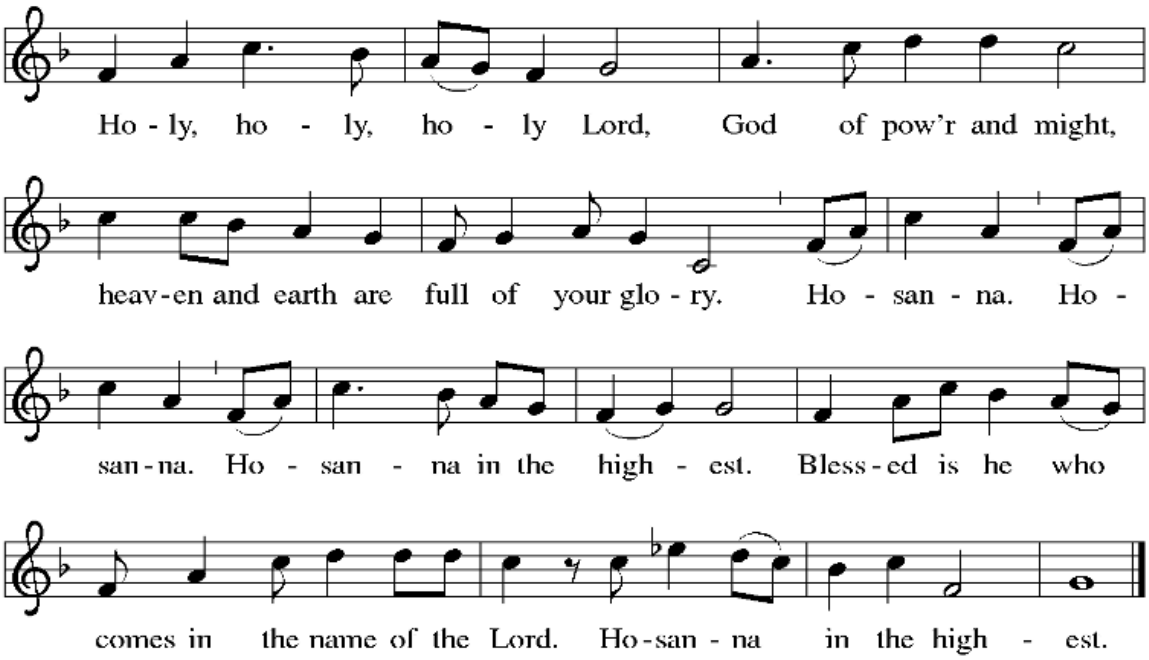
P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed… *(here the minister continues with the proper preface, concluding:)* we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer

P Holy God, Mighty Lord, Gracious Father… all your saints in light.

C **Amen.**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

P We pray in confidence in the words Jesus gave us:

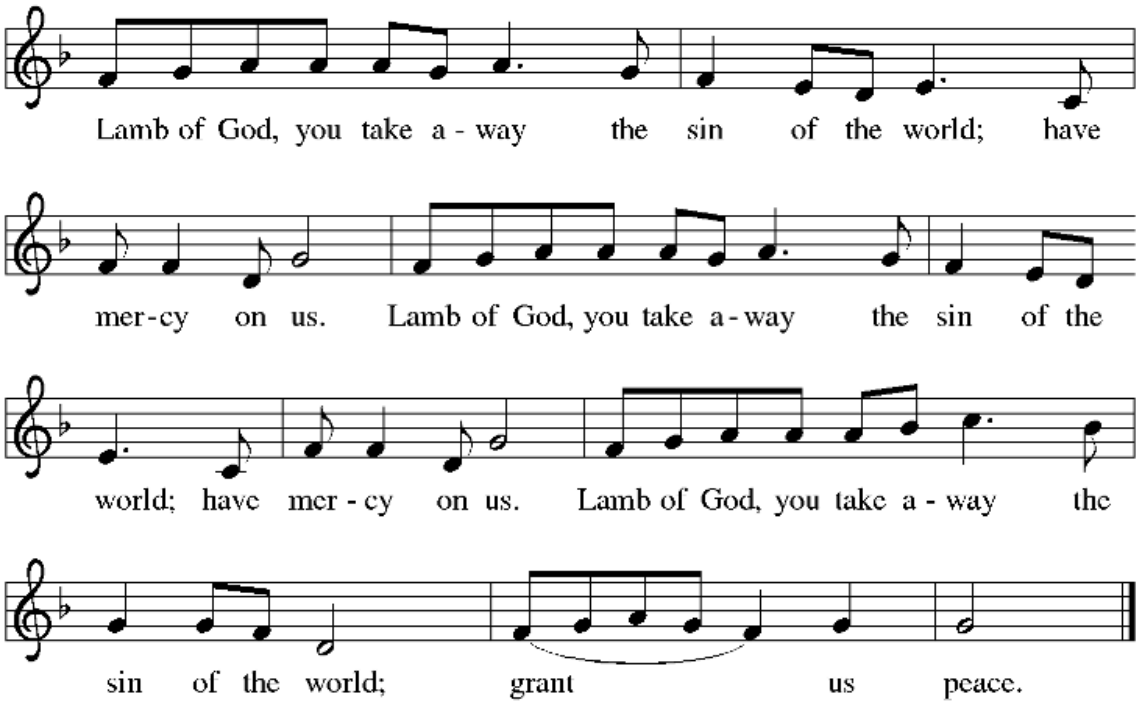
C **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Table

P Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come to the feast!

C **Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God



Communion Music

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot (arr. John DeBries)

Matt Reckmeyer- trombone, Carol Reckmeyer - piano, Konnor Garrett-bass

Communion Hymns

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones (ELW 424)

1 **Ye watchers and ye holy ones,**
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"
Cry out, dominions, princedoms, pow'rs,
archangels, virtues, angel choirs:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 **O higher than the cherubim,**
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises: "Alleluia!"

Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 **Respond, ye souls in endless rest,**
ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!"
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 **O friends, in gladness let us sing,**
supernal anthems echoing:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One:
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Beautiful Savior (ELW 838)

1 **Beautiful Savior,**
King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee,
truly I'd serve thee,
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

2 **Fair are the meadows,**
fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

3 **Fair is the sunshine,**
fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter,

Jesus shines purer
than all the angels in the sky.

4 **Beautiful Savior,**
Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!

Stand

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

Prayer After Communion

P Let us pray. Holy God,

C we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.

Sending

Blessing

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace in the name of the Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn *For All the Saints* (ELW 422, stanzas 5-7)

5 **The golden evening brightens in the west;**
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 **But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:**
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 **From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,**
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Dismissal

P Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude *When the Saints Go Marching In* (arr. B. Bacon)
Carol & Friends

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Carol Reckmeyer - piano
Matt Reckmeyer - Trombone
Bob Schoettger - baritone Saxophone
Paul Runyan - baritone

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