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All Saints Day

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8:00 am & 10:30 am

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*Welcome: We are happy that you have joined us for worship.
May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill
your life with the lively hope and lasting joy.*

All Saints Day "Your Dead Will Live"

November 1, 2020

As We Gather

We gather this day to commemorate the lives of saints delighting in the holiness of God, experiencing eternity "in Christ Jesus". Saints are those who have gone before us and those among us 'set apart' to be holy. This holiness is that which emanates, not from a perfected life, but one that is shaped solely by the righteousness of Christ graciously bestowed upon the Church through Word and Sacrament. Today triumphant resurrection glory is mingled with grief. We are anchored in salvation's hope, yet we agonize over death's portal that separates us from those we have loved. Yet on account of Jesus, we confess with the unending Church of all ages, our dead will live!

Opening Hymn "God Himself Is Present" *LSB #907*

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

P We are made saints by the blood of Jesus. We acknowledge, however, that we remain sinners in thought, word, and deed. Let us then confess our sins with the saints around us and before our forgiving God.

C **Holy God, You have called us to obey You in all things, according to Your commands. We have failed to be obedient, even though You have set us apart to be holy. We have been sinful in our thoughts, words and actions. We confess our grievous faults and seek Your cleansing forgiveness.**

P Saints of God, know that even as you confess your sins you are forgiven by our God who first called you to be holy. As a called and ordained servant of the Word and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Greeting

P Grace and peace to you from Him who is, and who was, and who is to come and from the seven spirits before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the first born from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father – to Him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

Introit

P These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

C **In You, O Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.**

P Since You are my rock and my fortress, for the sake of Your name lead and guide me.

C **into your hands I commit my spirit; redeem me, O Lord, the God of truth.**

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

P These are they who have come out of the great tribulation;

C **They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**

Hymn of Praise "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring" *LSB #822*

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

Collect

P Let us pray. Heavenly Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism, You have redeemed Your people, eternally binding us to the Holy Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Keep us mindful of our Baptismal grace that we may live out our daily life, confident of our eternal salvation through Jesus Christ, our Lord..

C **Amen.**

First Reading *Revelation 7:9–17*

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *1 John 3:1–3*

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel *Matthew 5:1–12*

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²And he opened his mouth 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 shall be comforted. ⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. ⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. ⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. ⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Life Everlasting (5th Part of the 3rd Article of Apostle’s Creed)

P To whom does God give eternal life?

C **God gives eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.**

P God so loved the world that he gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

C **For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world but to save the world through Him. (John 3:17)**

P At the time of death, the soul of the believer is immediately with Christ in heaven.

C **I tell you the truth, today you will be with Me in paradise. (Luke 23:43)**

P At the Last Day the believers, in both body and soul, will begin the full enjoyment of being with Christ forever.

C **You will fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand. (Psalm 16:11)**

Sermon Hymn "For All the Saints" vs. 1-4 LSB #677

The Message “The Church Triumphant”

Hymn "For All the Saints" vs 5-8 LSB #677

COMMEMORATION

P With God's people throughout the New Testament Church we remember this day all those who have finished the Race and have kept the faith. We especially note this day those who have gone to the Church Triumphant. During the days of this last year. This morning we will toll the bell for each one of our members whom the Lord has called home to glory. Following the naming of each of our brothers and sisters in Christ we will toll the bell seven times for all whom are in Church Triumphant: **Lee Arlyn Meyer, Dean Robert Thate, Charles Dwight Montgomery, Fern Joyce Anderson, Robert Emil Hagen, Norma Jane Jacobsen, and Jeffrey Patrick Ross.**

Let us pray: It is with thanksgiving that we remember the names of these faithful servants in Christ. They, even now, enjoy the heavenly crown given to them by You, gracious God. It is with this certainty that we are able to follow in their example. Teach us to serve You in all the ways You call us to. Give to us the spirit of thanksgiving as we serve You, knowing that when we are called to our eternal rest You will be able to say of us, "Well done, good and faithful servant." In Jesus' name,

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

P Standing with the great multitude of saints before the throne of God and the Lamb, let us join in prayer, praise and thanksgiving to the God of our salvation.

Mighty and eternal God, we remember before You the saints and martyrs of every generation, who trusted in You in the face of terror and threat. Grant that when facing persecution and trial in our own day, we may be steadfast in faith. Deliver those whom You have washed in Baptism, granting the new life that death cannot overcome. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Mighty and eternal God, You established the Church and have granted her Your aid and protection through these many years. Continue to pour out upon us Your Spirit and grace, that we may accomplish Your bidding and proclaim Your saving name to every corner of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Mighty and eternal God, we beg Your grace that our lives may be ordered by Your commands, and we ask You to bless those who govern us in Your name. Give wisdom to all who vote, and bless its result, that our nation may elect our leaders peacefully and orderly. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Mighty and eternal God, You have made us Your children, and You continue to guard us as Your own possession. According to Your will, give healing to the sick, calm to the troubled in mind, and patience to those facing sorrow and struggle. Give health and peace to our nation. Hear us especially on behalf of _____ . Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Mighty and eternal God, we are unworthy of all Your blessings and do not deserve the mercies new every morning of our earthly lives. Give us the will and desire to care responsibly for all that You have entrusted to us and to be generous with those in need and for the support of Your Church and the work of Your Kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Mighty and eternal God, bring us to that day when every tear shall be wiped from our eyes and we shall hunger and thirst no more. Knowing You now by faith, we yearn for the day when we shall know You face to face. Until the dawn of that eternal day, keep us in Your faith and fear through our Good Shepherd and Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Conclusion

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

SACRAMENT

Preface

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 Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, encouraged by their faith and strengthened by their fellowship, may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy" *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful

marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnes Dei - "Lamb of God" *LSB 163*

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns

Your Table I Approach LSB #628

Holy, Holy, Holy LSB #507 vs 1-4

Our God, Our Help In Ages Past LSB #733 vs. 1-6

Post-Communion Canticale: "Thank the Lord"

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace, comfort and joy in this Sacrament,

C **and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You;**

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benediction *Romans 15:13*

P May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" LSB #805

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Quarterly Voters' Meeting will be held this morning at 9:15 am in the church sanctuary. Election of officers and board members will be on the agenda.

Candidates for Unanimous Ballot

Treasurer

Mary Whitehead

Board of Education

Stephanie Kneeland

Darla Price

Board of Elders

Brian Krumwiede

Ryan Kahler

Board of Parish Services

Lana Morris

Deb Williamson

Deb Schwager

Janet Kahler

Board of Stewardship

Stephanie Wohlhuter

Bonnie Wilson

Lynne Mulso

Board of Trustees

Sam Meixell

Jim Claussen

Food.Fun.Faith for Jr. High is Wednesday at 5:00 pm. Friends are welcome to join the group!

Bible Knowledge Bowl: Our 4th–6th graders will be participating in their knowledge bowl next Sunday during the Sunday school hour.

Turkey Dinner To Go: Next Sunday from 11:00-1:00 St. Paul's UCC of Welcome will have a turkey dinner for curbside pick up on Dugan Street. Cost is \$7/plate.

Blood Mobile is Monday, November 9 from 1:00-6:00 pm. No walk ins, appointments only. Contact Dorothy @ 507-236-5764 or schedule online. Face masks and social distancing required.

Weekday Worship Service: Just a reminder that our next weekday worship service is **Wednesday, November 11** at 6:30 pm.

HyVee and Fareway Grocery Receipts: We continue to collect the grocery receipts from Fareway in Fairmont and the grocery and gas receipts from HyVee in Fairmont. The LWML recently received a \$1,000 check and voted to give it to technology fund here at St. John's. We thank the LWML for this donation!

Take My Moments and My Days

Today, Sunday, November 1

8:00 & 10:30 am Worship with Communion

9:15 am Sunday School
Voters' Meeting

Wednesday, November 4

3:45 pm Confirmation

5:00-6:30 pm Jr. High Food. Fun. Faith

Sunday, November 8

8:00 & 10:30 am Worship

9:15 am Sunday School
4-6 Grade Knowledge Bowl



In Our Prayers Sue Nelson, Tim Abbas

Coping With Cancer: Diane Beseke, Shirley Skogerboe, Serena Johnson, Marlene Kuntz, Tom Wescott, Bob Blazejak, Nathan Behne,

Andrea Mileham, Cindi Crissinger, Lori Koerselman, Julie Krogman, Donna Nawrocki, Paul Overgaard, Elsie Swanson, Shelly Callahan, Gary Maday, Ginny Anderson, Georgia Holtz, Larry Norem, Lacy McNicol, Roger Spiegeler, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Robert Ziemer, Kay Groth, Perry Caven, Harv Baird

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Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week Payton Anderson, Charlene Behne, Margo Ballard, Jeanne Frappier, Jones Leiting, Jamie Larson, Gwen Schutjer, David Smith, David Hanson, Adyson Ross, John Burmeister, Vivian Richards, Bryan Hansen, Anne Sheppard, Dawson Weber, Gabrielle Wedner, Scott Brolsma, Jerry Huse, Jim Hybbert, Erica Larson

Members Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week: Nate & Amanda Amborn, Earl & Charlotte Cordes, Barry & Stephanie Kneeland