



All Saints' Day (observed)  
November 3, 2024 - Setting One

Our Confession approves giving honor to the saints. This honor is threefold. The first is thanksgiving: we should thank God for showing examples of His mercy, revealing His will to save men, and giving teachers and other gifts to the Church. Since these are His greatest gifts, we should extol them very highly; we should also praise the saints themselves for using these gifts, just as Christ praises faithful businessmen. (Matthew 25:21, 23).

The second honor is the strengthening of our faith: when we see Peter forgiven after his denial, we are encouraged to believe that grace does indeed abound more than sin. (Romans 5:20).

The third honor is imitation, first of their faith and then of their other virtues, which each should imitate in accordance with his calling.

Besides, we grant that the angels pray for us. This is attested to by Zechariah 1:12, where the angel prays, "O Lord of hosts, how long will You have no mercy on Jerusalem?" we also grant that the saints in heaven pray for the Church in general, as they prayed for the Church universal while they were on earth.

Even if the saints do pray fervently for the Church, it does not follow that they should be invoked. But our Confession affirms only this much, that Scripture does not teach us to invoke the saints or to ask their help. Neither a command nor a promise nor an example can be shown from Scripture for the invocation of the saints; from this it follows that consciences cannot be sure about such invocation.

—Book of Concord, *Apology of the Augsburg Confession*, Article XXI

Welcome  
We are thankful you have joined us today!

**Hymn** For All the Saints | 677  
1 all | 2 men | 3 women | 4 men | 5 women | 6 men | 7-8 all  
Please stand for last stanza.

Entrance Psalm [Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon Rev. 7:14b]

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.

**In you, O LORD, do I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.**

For you are my rock and my fortress;  
and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

**Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me. O LORD, faithful God.**

**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.**

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### Confession & Absolution

☩ In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** [Matt 28:19b; 18-20]  
If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** [1 John 1:8-9]

*Quiet time for self-examination and confession*

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father. **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** [John 20:19-23]

Lord, Have Mercy

[Mark 10:47, Setting 1]



In peace let us pray to the Lord.

For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

For the holy Christian church, here and scattered through the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to the faith, let us pray to the Lord.

For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.

*Congregation repeats the Kyrie refrain.*

For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

For those who labor, for those whose work is dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.

For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.

*Congregation repeats the Kyrie refrain*

Hymn of Praise Alleluia! Jesus is Risen | 474 (1, 3, 5)

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** [1 Timothy 4:22]

Let us pray...[silence for individual prayer] Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

*Please be seated.*

Readings from God's Word

The First Reading for the Feast of All Saints is from Revelation:

**A**fter 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, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And 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, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I 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.

"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.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For 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." [Revelation 7:9-17]

*Time for reflection.*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

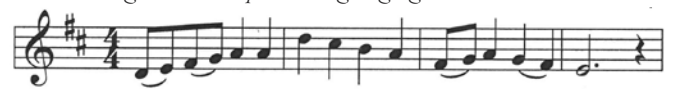
The Second Reading is from First John.

**S**ee 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. Beloved, 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. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. [1 John 3:1-3]

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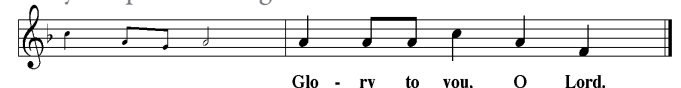
*Please stand to greet the Gospel reading singing:*



*Choir: Christ is living! He is risen! We too shall arise!*

*Congregation repeats the refrain.*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.



**S**eeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
 “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. [Matthew 5:1-12]

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please sit.

**Children’s Talk** [Mark 10:14-16; Matt 19:14; Luke 18:16-17]  
*The children are invited forward for a message based on today’s Scripture readings led by Pastor Erkkinen.*

**Hymn** We Sing for All the Unsung Saints | **678**

Sermon

**Remembrance of Faithful Departed**  
 In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before the Lord our departed family and friends who have gone before us in faith and all those who are in our hearts and minds this day. **Amen.**

These saints who have joined the Church Triumphant, are remembered as the bell tolls the joy of Jesus’ triumph over death: †Charlene† Taylor, †Ed† Dayhoff, †Irma† Helstrom; we also remember, Dana Deardorf, Rachel White, Debra Johnston, Pat Koepke, Karen Moore, Dorsey R., Juanita P, Frank Klakamp., Candy C., Marjorie S., Charles O., Sherry Grimes, and those we name in our hearts...

When we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were baptized into His death so that as He was raised from the dead, we too might live a new life.

**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. Amen.**

Bless these saints who have been gathered to your community at Faith through the waters of Holy Baptism:  
 Felicity Carmickle and Oliver Newland.

**Our Confession of Faith**  
*Please stand to confess the Apostles’ Creed printed on the inside back cover of the hymnal.*

**Prayer of the Church** [1 Timothy 2:1-4]  
 ...let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**  
*Those for whom we pray are listed on the Life at Faith insert.*

**Gathering of the Offering**  
 In Person | Mail to Church | Bank Bill Pay  
*Please refer to the Life@Faith insert for upcoming events.*



**Offertory Hymn** Praise and Thanksgiving | **789**

Please stand.

**Sacrament of the Altar** [2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136]  
 The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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 singing:

**The Holy, Holy, Holy** [Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9]



**The Words of Our Lord**

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 is my † blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

[Matt 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25]

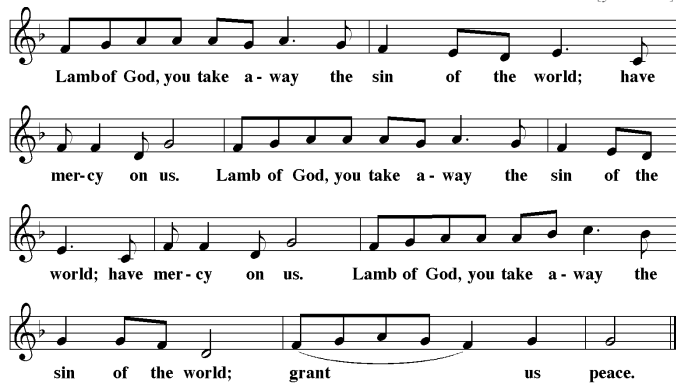
As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**  
 [1 Cor 11:26; Rev 22:20]

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:

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  
 forever and ever. Amen. [Matt 6:9-13][Matt 6:9-13]

The peace of the Lord be with you always. Amen. [John 20:19]

**Lamb of God** [John 1:29]



*Please be seated and come forward at the direction of the ushers.*

**Distribution of Holy Communion/Hymns**

*The Lord's Supper is a meal for disciples of Jesus who have been baptized and taught (as our Lord says in Matthew 28). Those who have confessed their sins, acknowledge Jesus as their Savior from sin, believe that with the bread and the wine Christ truly gives us His body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, desire to commit themselves to Him in loving obedience, and share the faith confessed at this altar, are welcome to participate. If you have any doubts or questions about the gift of the Lord's Supper, we ask that you consult with the pastor or an elder. Children are invited to come to the altar with their parents to receive a blessing.*

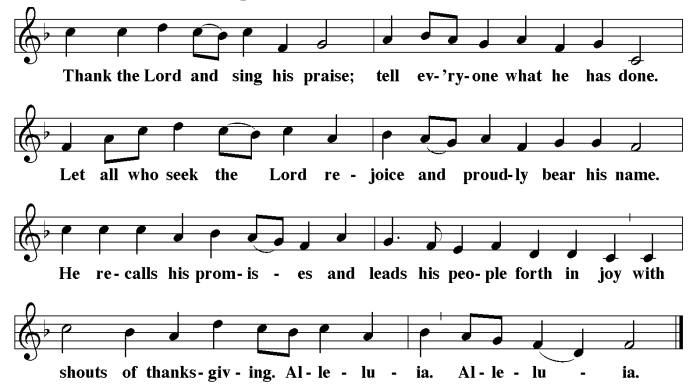
**Hymns**

*Shepherd Me-Choir*

I Love Your Kingdom, Lord | **651**  
 Jerusalem, My Happy Home | **673**

*When all have communed, please stand.*

**Post Communion Song**



**Post Communion Prayer**

Let us pray...one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Please be seated.*

**Announcements**

[Galatians 6:10]

*Please stand.*

**Benediction**

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. Amen. [Numbers 6:24-26]

**Hymn**

Jesus Shall Reign | **832**

**Passing of the Lord's peace**

**Postlude**

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