# ALL SAINTS' DAY (observed)

"We Shall See Him" - 1 John 3:1-3

8:30 AM, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024



# OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH and SCHOOL

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# We warmly welcome you in the name of Jesus!

We are always glad to have you worship with us. If you do not have a regular church home, we invite you to make our church home yours.

- † Our worship services are on Sunday mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 AM. We also invite and encourage you to join us in Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 AM.
- † Assisted hearing devices, children's bulletins, and large print service folders are available -- please ask an usher for one.
- † While we encourage children to be present in worship, the upstairs cry room opposite the elevator is available for you.
- † Our worship services can now be viewed on the church's Facebook page (live or after the service), as well as on our YouTube channel. *The Lutheran Hour* can be heard on Sundays at 9:00 AM at KAWZ (102.7FM).

#### Prayer before worship:

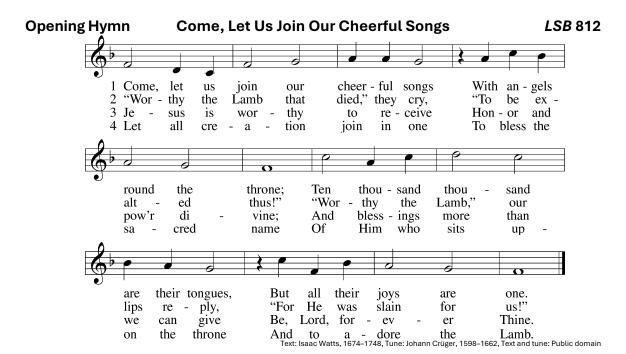
O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

AS WE GATHER We are reminded that this gathering is in truth a far greater assemblage than the number of people in this room at this time. The letter to the Hebrews reminds us that as we journey through our earthly lives we are surrounded by "so great a cloud of witnesses" (12:1) and tells of "the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven" and "the spirits of the righteous made perfect" (12:23). Hymn writer Isaac Watts reminds us that "the saints on earth and those above but one communion make; joined to their Lord in bonds of love, all of His grace partake" (TLH 478:1). On this feast of All Saints, with the timeless words of the Te Deum, we pray that by God's grace we, too, will be "numbered with Your saints in glory everlasting" (LSB, p. 225). With joy and thanksgiving, we celebrate the faith that binds us together with the faithful of all times!

# DIVINE SERVICE SETTING 1

Prelude and Ringing of the Bell Welcome and Opening Prayer

# **Confession and Absolution**



Please stand.

**Invocation and Opening Sentences** 

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20], Psalm 34:1, 3, 8-9; 37:28; 97:11-12

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Leader: Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. Rejoice in the

LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to His holy name!

People: For the LORD loves justice; He will not forsake His saints. They are preserved

forever.

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!

Leader: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in

Him!

People: Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints, for those who fear Him have no lack!

#### Confession and Absolution

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Leader: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: 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.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

# **Sharing of the Peace**

Pastor: Forgiven and reconciled to God, let us share His peace with one another.

We share the peace of God with those around us.

# Service of the Word

Kyrie LSB p. 152

- **A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

#### Hymn of Praise

This Is the Feast

LSB, p. 155

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Leader: Let us pray. 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.

**People: Amen.** Please be seated.

First Reading God is worshiped by multitudes in heaven. Revelation 7:2–17

Reader: Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been

given power to harm earth and sea, saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

After 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."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**Epistle Reading** We are called God's children now through His love. 1 John 3:1–3

Reader:

See 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.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Reader: Please stand in reverence to the Gospel. Stand.

#### Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Jesus speaks to His disciples on the mountain.

Matthew 5:1-12

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



Pastor: Seeing 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.

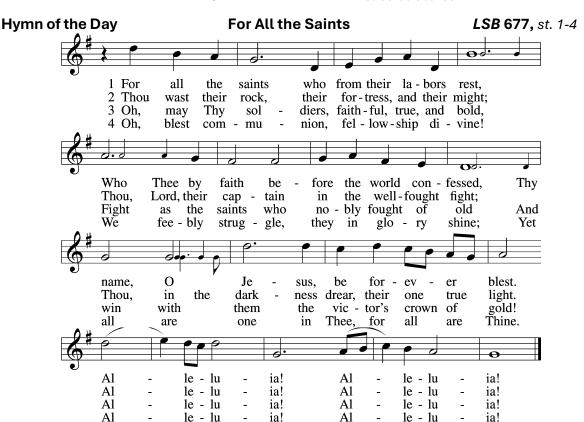
"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

- "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."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.





Please stand.

#### Nicene Creed

ALL: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# **Prayer of the Church**

After each petition:

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: We remember before You with thanks the blessings of body and soul You gave those who have preceded us to glory. Likewise, our hearts are full, recalling the blessings You showered on us through these, our brothers and sisters in Christ. Hear us as we name them aloud in each other's hearing.

Norma Brown Charles Arnold, Sr. Annaliese Griffin Janice Creaturo

[Members are invited to conclude the list by naming in their hearts---the names of friends and relatives beyond the congregation who have passed away in the last year.]

Pastor: Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection to life everlasting. Let us pray to the Lord,

People: Lord, have mercy. Amen. Please be seated.

**Offering** During this time, we invite you to sign and pass the Friendship Book. All communicants are invited to read and prayerfully consider the following.

#### We believe that...

- † Holy Communion is a Sacrament since it was instituted by Christ Himself.
- † We are truly worthy and well prepared to partake of Holy Communion when we repent of our sins and have faith in these words, "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins."
- † We receive the bread and wine <u>and</u> the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ when, as repentant, true believers we partake of Holy Communion.

# Our Savior Lutheran Church practices close communion.

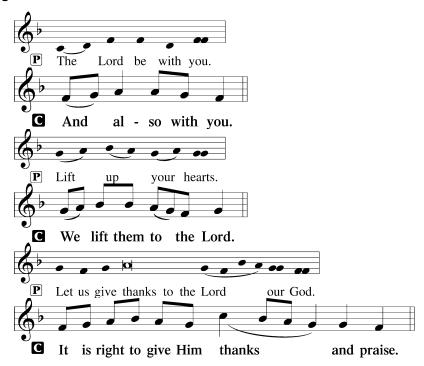
#### What does this mean?

Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are welcome to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of our church or one of our sister congregations, we encourage you to speak to the pastor about preparing to participate in communion at Our Savior. Children and those not communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing (indicated by folded hands), or to remain seated for individual prayer.

† [When the wine is offered, communicants have the choice of an individual cup or the common cup. Individual cups containing DARK WINE are alcohol-free for those with medical need only, please.]

# Service of the Sacrament

#### **Preface**



# **Proper Preface**

Pastor:

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 (sung)

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Holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Pastor:

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, and acknowledging that He who is in us is greater than he who is in the world, 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 the 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.

People: Amen.

### **Lord's Prayer**

ALL:

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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

Pastor:

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."

Pastor: 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."

#### Pax Domini

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

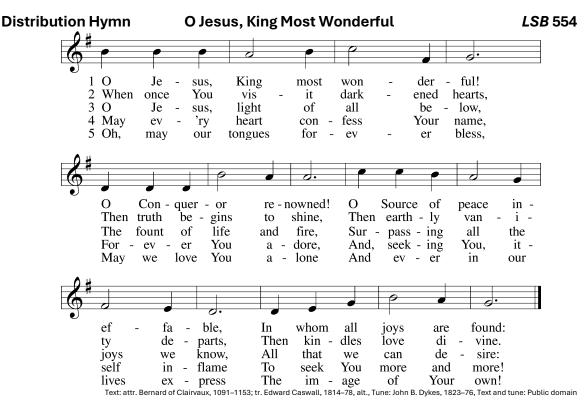


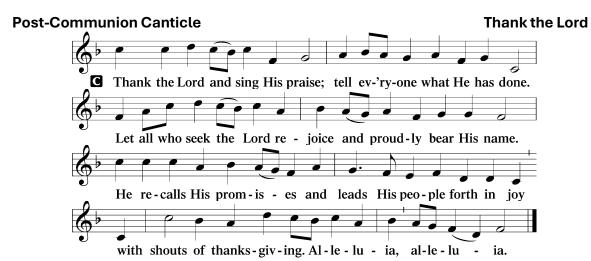
#### Agnus Dei (sung)

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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** Please be seated. If you are communing, please follow the direction of the ushers.





#### **Post-Communion Collect**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come at Your gracious Table. Strengthen us through the blessed gift we have received that we may be the peacemakers, the meek and the pure in heart. Keep us steadfast throughout our pilgrimage on earth and bring us at last to that heavenly banquet in Your kingdom with saints and angels in light everlasting. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### **Benediction**

Pastor: 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.



- 5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
  Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
  And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
  Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of Glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- △ 8 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!

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#### Silent Prayer / Postlude

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Our mission is to teach, love, and connect...teach all ages about Jesus, love one another as God loves us, and connect with others in a hurting world.

Readings for next week, 11/10: 1 Kings 17:8–16 Psalm 146 Hebrews 9:24–28 Mark 12:38–44