

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

All Saints Day

November 1, 2020

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At Christ's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Gathering Music

Welcome

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

Please find some local water and freely splash yourself and those around you in remembrance of baptism and thanksgiving for the gift of water.

Blessed be the holy Trinity + one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, Living God,
for you have created the cosmos, and you water the earth abundantly.
We praise you for oceans, rivers, and streams,
and for the Mississippi river watershed where we make our home.

We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead,
who frees us from sin and raises us up to new life.
Here at this font we touch the river of the water of life.
Here, death is washed away forever.
Here, we join God's movement of healing for the whole world.

Pour out your Holy Spirit into this community
and throughout all creation.
Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions.
Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Sovereign,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Opening Song

“Give Thanks for Life”

Sing to the tune: Sine Nomine (For All the Saints)

1. Give thanks for life, the measure of our days.
Mortal, we pass through beauty that decays.
Yet sing to God, our hope, our love, our praise;
Alleluia, alleluia!

2. Give thanks for those who made their life a light
caught from the Christ-flame, bursting through the night;
who touched the truth, who burned for what was right;
Alleluia, alleluia!

3. And for our own, our living and our dead,
thanks for the love by which our life is fed,
a love not changed by time or death or dread;
Alleluia, alleluia!

4. Give thanks for hope, that like the wheat, the grain
that lies in darkness does its life retain;
in resurrection to grow green again;
Alleluia, alleluia!

Greeting

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

- Quiet reflection -

First Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

A reading from the book of Revelation.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all cultures and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in clean robes, with palm branches in their hands.

They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

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, singing,

“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, in glistening robes, and where have they come from?”

I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that 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 clean in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship God day and night within the temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,

and will guide them to springs of the water of life,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

All – Refrain; Cantor - Verses



Live in awe of God you ho-ly saints, and you will want for noth-ing.

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-3

See what love Abba God 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 God.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed.

What we do know is this:

when it is revealed, we will be like God, for we will see God as God is.

And all who have this hope in God purify themselves, just as God is pure.

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Gospel Acclamation

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

Glory to you, O God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12
Spark Story Bible page 264

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain;

and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.

Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

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

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people 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 in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

This is the Good News.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“Shall We Gather at the River”

#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*

Litany of the Saints

On All Saints Sunday we remember those who have gone before us into their eternal home by naming them in the Litany of the Saints. Today we name biblical ancestors, ancestors in the faith, and those dearly departed who have shown us the Way. We also name those people whose funerals and baptisms have been associated with this congregation in the past year. At Our Saviour's, we had no funerals this last year (!) and only 2 baptisms before the pandemic hit.

All respond after the cantor:

“... stay with us.”

“All you holy blessed beloved, stay with us.”

Prayers of the People (*Each petition will conclude with, “God, in your mercy” and the congregation responds, “You hear our prayer.”*)

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(The people greet each other with some sign of peace: "Peace be with you.")

Gathering our Gifts

Offertory

"Taste and See"

#493

Refrain - All



Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,
taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of all goodness,
generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings.
Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks
for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made,
through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

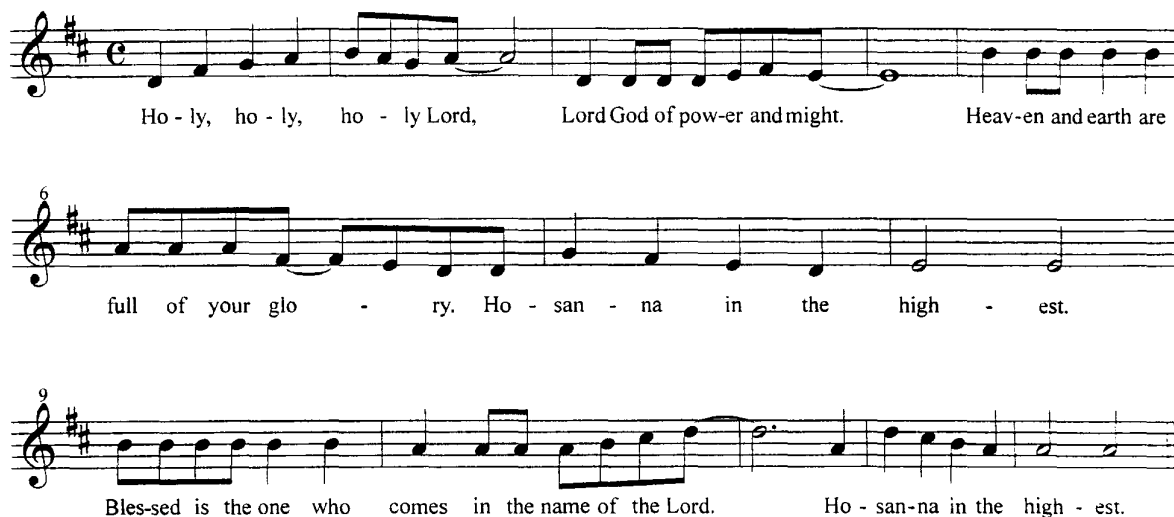
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might. Heav-en and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bles-sed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Proclamation

Lord's Prayer

Let us pray together in words both faithful and fresh.

Eternal Spirit

**Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, source of all that is and that shall be,
 Father and Mother of us all, loving God, in whom is heaven;
 the hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth.
 Your heavenly will be done by all created beings.
 Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.
 In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
 In times of temptation and test, spare us.
 From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.
 Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

Distribution

You are invited to share bread and wine or crackers and juice or whatever you have collected for a common meal. As you share and eat, please use these or similar words, "The body of Christ given for you," and "The blood of Christ shed for you," until we feast together as the entire body of Christ.

Blessing

Prayer

Post Communion Canticle *Sing to the tune: Old Hundredth*

Praise God the Source of life and birth.
Praise God the Word, who came to earth.
Praise God the Spirit, holy flame.
All glory, honor to God's name!
Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Blessing

Sending Song

“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”

#535

Refrain

Hallelujah! We sing your praises,
all our hearts are filled with gladness.
Hallelujah! We sing your praises,
all our hearts are filled with gladness. *Repeat*

Christ the Lord to us said:
I am wine, I am bread,
I am wine, I am bread,
give to all who thirst and hunger. *Repeat*

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve.

Thanks be to God!

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Today's Worship

Ministers:	You!
Presiding:	Laurie Eaton
Preaching:	Martha Schwehn Bardwell
Lector:	Craig Johnson
Assisting:	Mike Troutman and Amy Blumenshine
Accompanist:	Tom Witt
Cantor:	Mary Preus

Weekly at Our Saviour's

Sundays

10:30 Online Worship on Facebook
Post worship Coffee hour on Zoom

See Weekly Update and the Sunday morning Worship email for details

Tuesdays

12:30-2 Staff Meeting on Zoom

Wednesdays

10:30-12 Weekly Bible Study on Zoom

First Wednesdays of the Month

9:00pm Contemplative Prayer on Zoom

First Friday of the Month

7:00 Men's Breakfast at Butter Bakery and Café
Socially Distanced at Butter weather permitting
Always on Zoom- Check in with Dan Swenson-Klatt

Announcements will be located in the Our Saviour's Weekly Update

**Information about Our Saviour's can be found on our website
and on our Facebook page.**

Electronic & Online Giving Options

With the worship being brought online and the office being closed and staff working remotely, the best way to keep up with your pledge is to do so through your Smartphone or online.

Online Giving

- Use our [online authorization form](#).
- Please note: if your donation is charged to your credit card, OSLC does not get the entire amount; Vanco takes a fee from your donation. For Amex cards the fee is 3.5% +.45 a transaction – all other cards are 2.75% +.45 a transaction. No fee apply if you have your pledge taken from a checking account by providing a routing number and account number.

Give Plus App

- Download the app from free from the App Store or Google Play.
- When you open GivePlus for the first time, you will be prompted to enter the name of the church. As you type, usually a list will appear; select “Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church” from the list. After you select a church, it automatically becomes your “home” or “default” church, and will be displayed the next time you open the app.
- Set up an account. Enter your email address (this becomes your user name) and create a password. Choose how you prefer to login in: Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN or password. An email will be sent to you to verify your email address. Click on the link sent to you via email.
- Choose what information to store. Most credit cards are accepted. You can also use a checking or savings account. Use your phone’s camera to scan your information from your credit card or enter it manually.
- Enter the amount you wish to give, indicate which fund you want it to go to, and choose whether it is a one-time donation or a recurring one. Enter it and confirm that your contribution is correct. That’s it!

Texting a Donation

- Send a text to **612-503-5971**
- Enter the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: **\$25**.
- You’ll receive a text with a link to register.
- Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information.
- Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email.
- The next time, you won’t need to enter card info. Just text the amount you wish to give. To add a card, or change your information, simply text “edit” to the number.

QR code

- Use your phone camera and point it to the QR below. Click on the bubble that comes up to be sent to the contribution page. Follow the instructions to make your contribution.





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*Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is a dynamic community,
centered in Christ, called, nurtured and sent –
to celebrate, serve and do justice.*

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