

ALL SAINTS' DAY



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AS WE GATHER – SAINTS ARE BLESSED IN THE ETERNAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST–
 “A great multitude ... from all tribes and peoples and languages” cry out, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne” (Rev. 7:9–10). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, “shall see him as he is” (1 John 3:2). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall “serve him day and night in his temple” (Rev. 7:15). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ, propels us forward to our eternal home, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

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✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT PSALM 31:1,3,5; ANTIPHON: REVELATION 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.

GLORIA PATRI P. 186



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P 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.

C Amen.

FIRST READING

REVELATION 7:2-17

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."

REMEMBRANCE OF THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

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.”

P 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.

We name those who have fallen asleep in Christ this past year

✠ Karen Strei ✠
✠ Merlin Mathews ✠
✠ Darian Litzau ✠
✠ Margaret Lueck ✠
✠ Michelle Ellzey ✠
✠ John Fenske ✠
✠ Betty Schatz ✠
✠ Daniel Gueningsman ✠

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who live and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed!



GRADUAL

REVELATION 7:14B; PSALM 84:5

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. Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

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.

[A] This is the Word of the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:1-12

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

[C] Glory be to Thee, 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 be to Thee, O Christ

APOSTLES' CREED

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SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "FOR ALL THE SAINTS"

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in your Mercy, **G** Hear our Prayer.

In Our Prayers:

+ Linda Kovar	+ Bonnie Mueller
+ Mark Schwartz	+ Sonya Clausen
+ Dave Wroge	+ Scott Christenson
+ Associate Pastor	+ Maya Radtke
+ Atticus Aldrich	+ Elva Kjenstad
+ Cheryl Lueck	+ Andy Birkholz
+ Pastor Arndt	
+ Les Parpart	
+ Family and friends of Dan Gueningsman	

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

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✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠ P. 194-199

The Sacrament is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His true body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation, to repentant, reconciled believers in Christ. Our Lord Jesus invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us (Matt. 26:26-28; 1Cor. 11:23-29; Matt.6:15).

We practice closed communion. Why? (1 Cor. 10:16-17). Because our Lord says those who eat and drink His body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm. If not yet instructed, in doubt, or holding a confession differing from that of the LCMS, you are lovingly asked not to commune at this time. Pastor is happy to make an appointment to discuss adult catechesis or questions you have regarding the Sacrament of the Altar.

Examination Questions: Please prepare by asking yourself — Am I sorry for my sins? Do I believe in Jesus Christ as my Savior from sin? Do I believe that I am receiving the body and blood of Christ along with the bread and wine? Will I try, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to live a more God-pleasing life?

Prayers for “Before communing” and “Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament” are printed on the front cover of the hymnal.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"BEHOLD A HOST, ARRAYED IN WHITE"	676
"JERUSALEM THE GOLDEN"	672
"GOD'S OWN CHILD, I GLADLY SAY IT"	594
"SING WITH ALL THE SAINTS IN GLORY"	671 (T: 803)

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Attendance Last Week

Sunday: 180

Bible Study: 31

Sunday School: 44

Organist:

Lynn Mueller

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. POINSETTIAS- If you would like to order a poinsettia for the Christmas Season, forms are available on the desk in the Upper Narthex. Forms will also be available in the November Lamplighter. Order forms are due November 11th.

2. WINTER GEAR COLLECTION - We will continue collecting new and gently-used KIDS winter gear (coats, hats, mittens) for the Marie Sandvick Center. A box will in the Lower Narthex until November 19th.

3. BASKETS OF BLESSINGS - Through November 15, the LWML is collecting food items for Thanksgiving Dinners to be delivered to the McLeod Food Shelf. Please place your donations into the basket in the lower narthex or in the education wing. Items to Donate: CASH for turkeys, stuffing, cranberry sauce, gravy mix, green beans, canned fried onions, canned pumpkin, pie shells.

4. CRAFT SUPPLIES NEEDED - Sunday School is looking for empty/clean clear plastic bottles with caps (14-16oz) and cardboard paper towel tubes. Collection box is located in the lower narthex. Thank you!

5. WINDOWS OF FAITH - Thank you to everyone that contributed during our matching fund drive. We were able to meet the

\$5,000.00 goal. Currently we have about \$9,000.00 remaining in the total of \$78,000 to complete the project.

6. CALL COMMITTEE – The Call Committee will meet at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, November 4th.

7. ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY – Thank you to those that helped with our Adopt-a-Highway clean-up. Your time and service is greatly appreciated! Thank you to: Jason Lyons, Jim Lyons, Patty Birkholz, Barb Kegler, Jen Schauer, Fred Holasek, Huntley Rasset, Karissa Rasset, Jim Hlavka, Tracy Peterson, Johnny Schauer, Lucas Schauer and Steve Schauer.

8. SCHEDULE – *November 8* ~ Ushers: 1st Service: Shannon Novotny, Jim Klaustermeier, Don Hoof; 2nd Service: Cory Schauer, Lucas Schauer, Jason Lyons; Acolytes: 1st Service: W. Schauer, E. Novotny; 2nd Service: C. Bebo, T. Herrmann; Greeters- 1st Service: Christine Feltmann, 2nd Service: Craig & Tracy Jackson; Flowers: LaJean Hoof; Altar Guild: Jen Schauer and Mandy Lyons; Worship Bags: Elaine Peterson

Calendar of Events

Sun. Nov. 1 <i>Daylight Saving time ends</i>	8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION Sunday School/ Bible Study WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION
Mon. Nov 2	6:30 p.m.	4 th Grade Release Time Class LWML Meeting
Wed. Nov 4	Noon 2:55 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Deadline for Bulletin 5 th /6 th Grade Release Time Class Confirmation Class Call Committee Meeting
Thurs. Nov 5	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Sun. Nov 8	8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	WORSHIP W/ CONT LINE COMM Sunday School/ Adult Bible Study WORSHIP W/ CONT LINE COMM

Acknowledgment:

+ A memorial for Willie Parpart was received in the amount of \$1,500.00 for the Window Fund.