



All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2026

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

For all the saints who went before us who have spoken to our hearts and touched us with your fire, **we praise you, O God.**

For all the saints who live beside us whose weaknesses and strengths are woven with our own, **we praise you, O God.**

For all the saints who live beyond us who challenge us to change the world with them, **we praise you, O God. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past ELW 632

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord 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

Let us pray... Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:1-10, 22

on the Screen

read responsively whole verse by whole verse

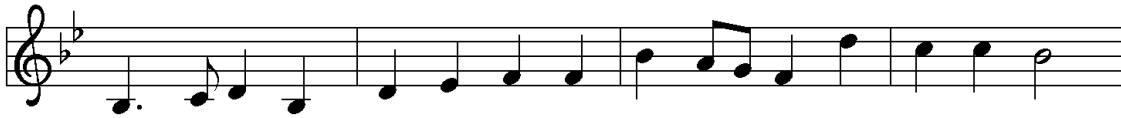
SECOND LESSON

1 John 3:1-3

Word of God. Word of Life.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to...

Glory to You, O Lord.

Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

David Hess

APOSTLES' CREED

Together let us confess our faith. Like the saints who have gone before us,

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We honor those saints who, like us, believed in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

In communion with the saints of old, and the great cloud of witnesses, we believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please remain standing.

Great and Merciful God, **at this time we give thanks for the saints who have been part of our lives and in the last year have gone on to their eternal reward. As we remember them now, we pray that they find eternal rest in the arms of their Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Eternal God, we give thanks to you for all the saints who have been part of our lives. We give thanks for the witness they have shared with us as we continue to walk our journey of faith and make our way to the glory that God has prepared for all of us.
Amen.

Please be seated.

At this time, we remember those gone from our congregation.

A SPECIAL TIME OF REMEMBRANCE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

At this time, I invite you to come to the table and light a candle of remembrance of those special people in your life. Those special individuals, living or dead, who have made an impact on your life and on the life of this community of believers.

*Those who wish to light a candle may approach and light a candle
from the Christ candle as Kara plays prayerfully.*

Music by Bells of Faith

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**
... and all God's children say, **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

Meal

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

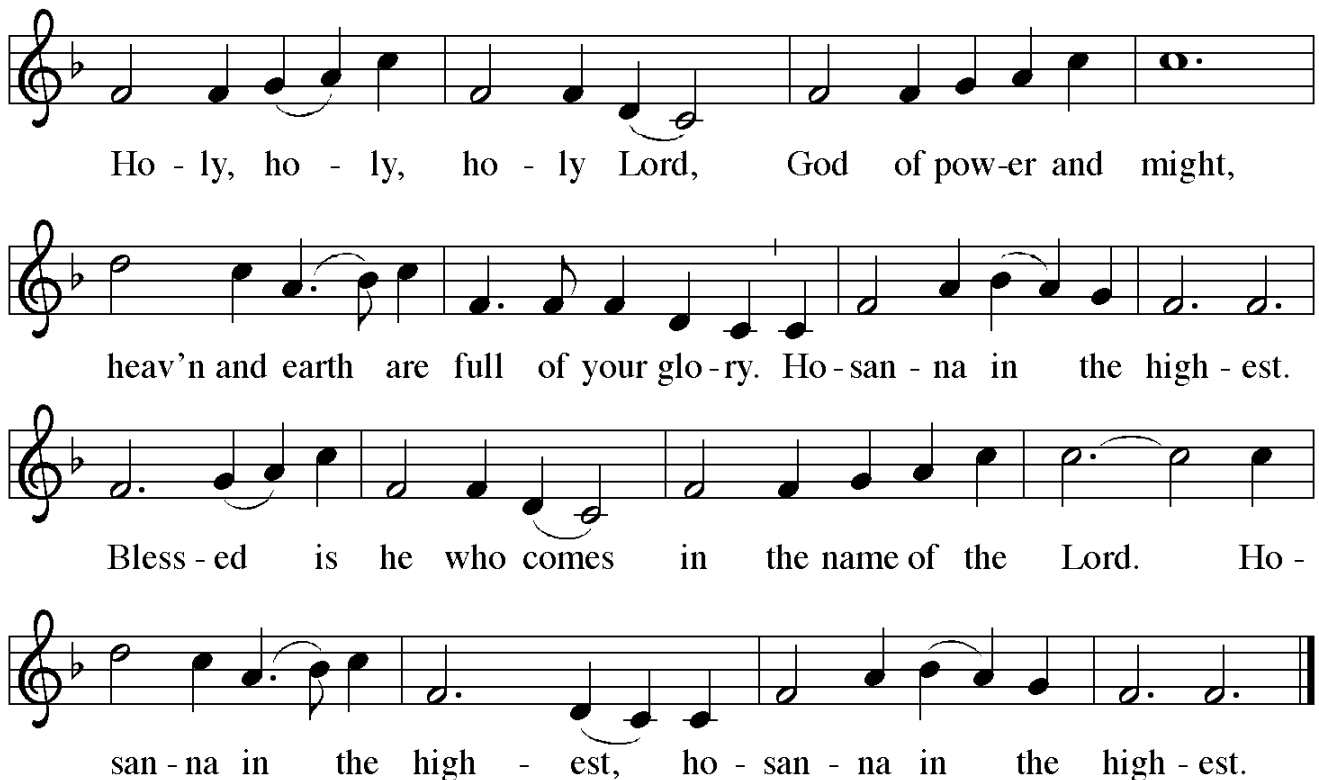
Lift up your hearts.

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, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff ends with a double bar line. The second and third staves continue the melody. The fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord 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.

INVITATION & DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

*All are welcome at God's table.
Communion instructions will be shared verbally.*

COMMUNION HYMNS

Give Thanks for Saints ELW 428
Rejoice in God's Saints ELW 418
Sing with All the Saints in Glory ELW 426

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

For All the Saints, verses 1, 2, 6, & 7 ELW 422

DISMISSAL

Go In peace. Share Christ's love with all through word and action.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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