

ALL SAINTS' DAY

The Hope of the Children of God

November 1, 2020

AS WE GATHER

There are different types of hope. The hope some people have is no more than wishful thinking. Others rely on their own plans and intellect to provide a measure of hope during times of difficulty. But for those of us who have been blessed with the gift of faith in our Lord Jesus, hope is sure. For His sake, our heavenly Father has forgiven all our sins and now calls us His own children, brothers and sisters of our Lord. We shall join those who have gone before us to sing God's eternal praises, even as we join "angels and archangels and all the company of heaven" in the Sanctus before receiving His body and blood.

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✠ PREPARATION ✠

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HYMN

LSB 677:1-3 - *For All the Saints*



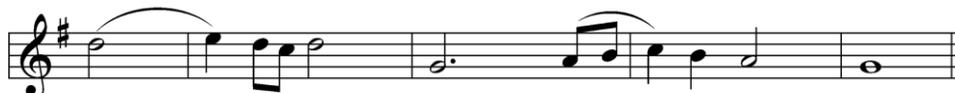
1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,



Who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old And



name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
win with them the victor's crown of gold!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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SENTENCES OF PREPARATION

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: We rejoice this day, loving Father, as we remember the saints who have gone before us to their rest with you.

People: They ran their course of faith with your cross held high. May we do the same.

Pastor: For us, who are still on our earthly pilgrimage, we pray for strength and guidance, O Lord.

People: Keep us in true faith as we journey toward that day when we too will join the saints with you forever in heaven.

Pastor: We are saints--redeemed by the blood of Jesus, and made holy by his sacrifice on the cross; but we are also sinners, by nature sinful and unclean, and in need of God's forgiveness. Therefore we approach the throne of grace today, confessing our sinfulness before God and each other.

People: Loving God,

We confess that because of our sin we are most unworthy to be called saints or to have your kingdom as our inheritance;

and that, once bestowed with your grace,

we refuse to act as the saints you have made us.

Forgive us, we pray, and transform our lives with the power of your Spirit,

So that we at last shall be sharers in your Kingdom and its many benefits.

In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen

Pastor: Blest are you, saints of God, for God has forgiven all your sin because of Jesus' death on the cross for each of you. Therefore I, as God's servant, declare that all your sins are indeed forgiven in the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit. In this forgiveness you have the freedom and the power to be what God has called you to be: saints of God, offering him your love and service.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

LSB 677:7-8 - *For All the Saints*

7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glo-rious day: The
△ 8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through
saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; The
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,
King of Glo - ry pass - es on His way.
Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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✠ WORD ✠

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you deigned to call all people who trust in Your son for salvation Your own children. Strengthen our faith so that we pass through each day confident that the hope you have given us shall not fail, and we shall see you face-to-face in eternity; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Sit

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:(2–8), 9-17

² 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, ³ saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." ⁴ 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.

⁹ 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, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ 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, ¹² saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴ 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.

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.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ 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.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

As the body of believers are His Saints, we now remember Zion's departed from this last year.

*Verdonna Bemmer
James Burnette
Iverne Francis
Robert “Bob” Frunz
William Kott
Jackie Salonisen
Charles Swanson
Carole Traub*

Pastor: Blessed Lord, we thank You for the faithful witness of those no longer with us on earth who now rejoice in Your light eternal. Lead us to find inspiration and strength in their faithful witness and seek to serve You constantly all our days.

People: Amen.

EPISTLE

1 John 3:1–3 (We are called God's children now through His love.)

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. ² 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. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Stand

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1–12 (Jesus speaks to His disciples on the mountain.)

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

People: Glory to You, 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:

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

⁴“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[a] 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.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY

LSB 678 - We Sing for All the Unsung Saints



1 We sing for all the un-sung saints, That count-less, name-less throng,
2 Though un-in-scribed with date or place, With ti-tle, rank, or name,
3 So we take heart from un-known saints Be-reft of earth-ly fame,



Who kept the faith and passed it on With hope stead-fast and strong
As liv-ing stones their sto-ries join To form a hal-lowed frame
Those faith-ful ones who have re-ceived A more en-dur-ing name:



Through all the dai-ly griefs and joys No chron-i-cles re-cord,
A-round the mys-t'ry in their midst: The Lamb once sac-ri-ficed,
For they re-veal true bless-ing comes When we our pride ef-face



For-get-ful of their lack of fame, But mind-ful of their Lord.
The Love that wrest-ed life from death, The wound-ed, ris-en Christ.
And of-fer back our lives to be The ves-sels of God's grace.

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SERMON

A Multitude of Witnesses

Stand

CREED *Nicene Creed*

**C 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

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. For ourselves and all who with hope are realizing new beginnings—with new schools to attend, new loves to celebrate, and new job opportunities to explore—that our Lord Jesus would give them joy in their endeavors, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord have mercy**

Pastor: We remember those saints who have been faithful witnesses in our lives and thank God for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord have mercy**

Pastor: We pray for opportunities in our lives to be witnesses to others - offering hospitality to the homeless, healing to the sick, counsel to the sorrowful, and support for the forgotten—that God's love would spread to all, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy**

Pastor: We pray for those in need of healing, comfort and encouragement; especially , , , that they may be encouraged and restored, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord have mercy**

Pastor: We pray for our nation this week as we learn the results of our elections. We pray for peace and calm in our cities and for God's wisdom and guidance for those elected. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord have mercy**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is good and right, O Lord, to offer You thanks and praise for having granted to us all things in Christ Jesus, our Savior, whose Baptism for us fulfilled all righteousness and whose perfect obedience before the lies of the tempter has given us strength, that we may endure in His strength and answer Satan's taunts with the truth of Your Word, our strength and shield. 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

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho-san-na. Ho-san-na. 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have not left us without hope, for You promised a Redeemer, who by His obedient death and victorious resurrection crushed Satan underfoot and opened to us the door of everlasting life. With repentant joy we receive the salvation He won for us on the cross. Gathered now at His bidding, we pray that You would grant us to faithfully eat His body and drink His blood, and thereby to receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in this Sacrament. Strengthen us to live in hope each day until we join saints and angels around Your throne in eternity. 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.**

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 \times 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 cup is the new testament in My \times blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: 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:

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9–13

People: **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.**

PAX DOMINI

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

People: **Amen.**

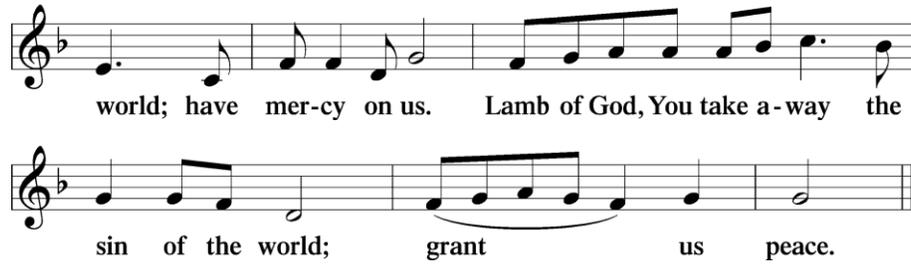
AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

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☐ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

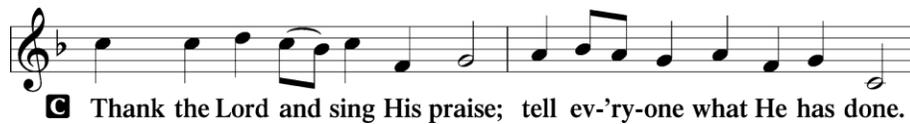
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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord"

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☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament,

People: and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You. In steadfast hope, we look forward to seeing You face-to-face with all the hosts of heaven;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

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.

People: Amen.
Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN

LSB 672: 1, 4 - Jerusalem the Golden



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With milk and hon - ey blest—
△ 4 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The home of God's e - lect!



The prom - ise of sal - va - tion, The place of peace and rest—
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try That faith - ful hearts ex - pect!



We know not, oh, we know not What joys a - wait us there:
In mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us To that e - ter - nal rest



The ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, The bliss be - yond com - pare!
With You and God the Fa - ther And Spir - it, ev - er blest.

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POSTSERVICE MUSIC

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