

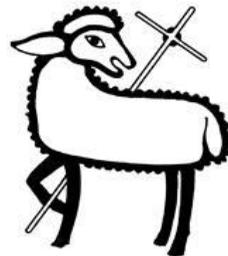
Welcome to
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All Saints Sunday
November 4, 2018 + 10:15 a.m.

P- Pastor, C-Congregation

** All who are able please stand.*

Prelude

Welcome and Parish Concerns

* Opening Hymn "For All the Saints" (v. 1-4)

LBW 174

* Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who calls us into an everlasting hope, who guides us to springs of the water of life, who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

C: Amen.

P: One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: O God, our merciful redeemer,

C: we confess the ways we live only for ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our ears from voices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for ✠ his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.

C: Amen.

Gathering

Greeting

P: The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Hymn of Praise “For All the Saints” (v. 5-8) LBW 174

*Prayer of the Day

P 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, though Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Word

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 25:6-9

The First Lesson is from the 25th chapter of Isaiah.

Isaiah sees a vision of the end of days, when the Lord will gather all God's people on God's holy mountain and will prepare for them a rich feast. At this banquet the Lord will wipe the tears from all eyes. And there will be no more sorrow, for God will destroy death itself.

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Here ends the reading.

PSALM: Psalm 24

¹The earth is the LORD's and all | that is in it,
the world and all who | dwell therein.

²**For it is he who founded it up- | on the seas
and made it firm upon the rivers | of the deep. R**

³**"Who can ascend the hill | of the LORD
and who can stand in his | holy place?"**

⁴**"Those who have clean hands and | a pure heart,
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what | is a
fraud.**

⁵They shall receive a blessing | from the LORD
and a just reward from the God of | their salvation."

⁶**Such is the generation of | those who seek him,
of those who seek your face, O | God of Jacob. R**

⁷Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O ever- | lasting doors;
and the King of glory | shall come in.

⁸**"Who is this | King of glory?"**

"The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, might- | y in battle."

⁹Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O ever- | lasting doors;
and the King of glory | shall come in.

¹⁰**"Who is he, this | King of glory?"**

"The LORD of hosts, he is the | King of glory." R

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 21:1-6a

The Second Lesson is from the 21st chapter of Revelation.

Here is a vision of the new heaven and new earth in which God resides fully with God's people so that mourning, despair, and pain have been eradicated. These renewing words from the God who spans all of time are trustworthy and true.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.”

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ^{6a}Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

Here ends the reading.

* Alleluia

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



Message

Silence for Reflection

*Hymn of the Day “Sing with All the Saints in Glory” WOV 691

Remembering Those Who Have Died

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation, who comforts us in all our sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

A reading from 1 Thessalonians:

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.

A reading from Hebrews:

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

A reading from John:

Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.”

In joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we remember this day those who have gone before us in the faith and now rest from their labors, especially those of our congregation who have died since last All Saint's Day.

O God, our help in ages past and our hope for years to come: We give you thanks for all your faithful people who have followed the light of your word throughout the centuries into our time and place:

*E. Irene Reiter
Deborah K. Rhoads
John R. Rhoads, Jr.
Arthur Boyer
Betty Gilbert
Craig Killough
Frank Mcmanus
Jim Negus
John Simmons
Thelma Simmons*

As we remember these people, strengthen us to follow Jesus Christ through this world until we are carried into the harvest of eternal life, where suffering and death will be no more. Hear our prayer in the name of the good and gracious shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

* The Apostles Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe 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. I 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Meal

*Sharing the Peace

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

C: **And also with you.**

Please share the peace of Christ with one another.

Choir Anthem “Who Is This Host Arrayed in White” - Norwegian Folk Tune

As the choir sings today’s anthem, we invite the congregation to turn to hymn 314 and follow the text as the choir sings. When the music builds to a strong ending, (the last section of the 3rd stanza “The myriad angels raise their song.”) we invite the congregation to stand and sing to the end of the hymn with the choir.

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Organ Offertory “Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past” Paul Manz

*Offertory Hymn

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the

prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

***Offering Prayer**

P: Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

***The Eucharistic Prayer**

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

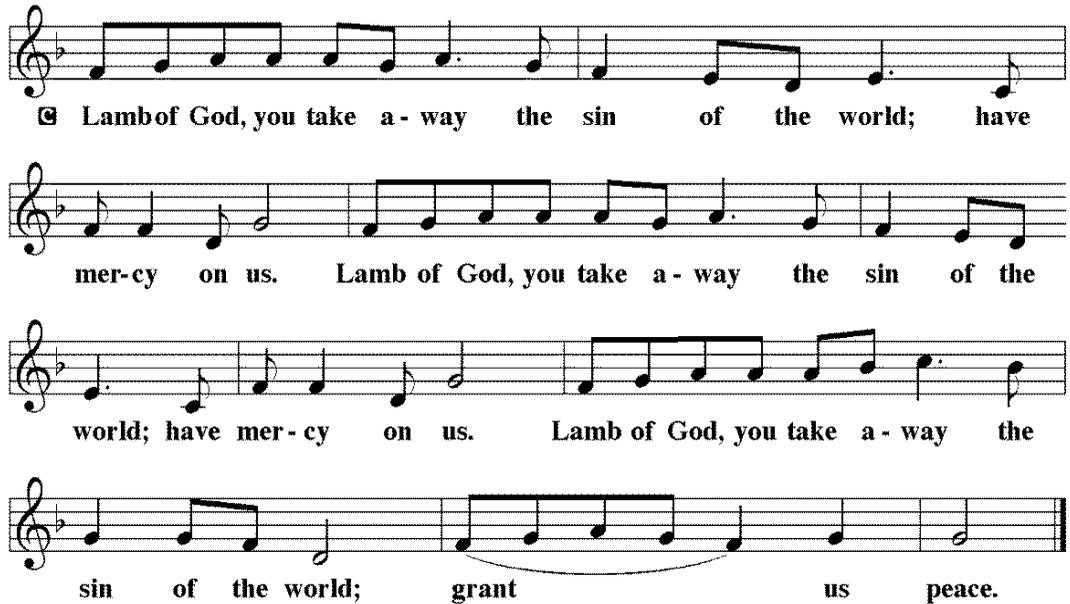
P: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: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

***The Lord's Prayer**

C: 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

* Lamb of God



☩ 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.

Distribution Hymns: LBW 331, 176

* Table Blessing

* Post Communion Prayer

P: Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

*Benediction

P: The love of God surround you; the grace of ☩ Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore.

C: Amen

*Hymn “Shall We Gather at the River”

LBW 690

*Dismissal

P: Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*Postlude

