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Daniel 7:18, ESV

All Saints' Day
A Celebration of New Life in Christ
& A Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Since the persecution of the Early Church, those who have died in the faith have been remembered. The custom of a formal commemoration of all the martyrs on a single "memorial day" goes back to at least the third century.

"Saint" means "sacred one" or "holy one." All those who are in Christ are holy, in heaven and on earth.

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther taught that all Christians are simultaneously sinner and saint; a sinner because of our sinful nature and a saint because of the love, forgiveness, and eternal life Jesus Christ has already attained for each of us.

Even in a world where accidents, disease, and violence are all around, death can find us unprepared. The remembrance of loved ones lost to this life takes on added significance. The promise of eternal life in Christ gives this present life purpose and hope. That purpose and hope in Christ is the focus of our worship and celebration.



Welcome to worship at Spirit of Christ!

We are a member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. We gather here as the living body of Jesus Christ to be nourished and empowered by the Holy Spirit in what we call the “Means of Grace” — God’s gifts of Word and Sacrament. Through these Means of Grace, we receive the promise of the Gospel: that in the Spirit of Christ God forgives us, remakes us, and reigns in us. May the Lord bless your worship today!

November 2, 2025

All Saints Day

Welcome

We Sing for All the Unsung Saints

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- 1 We sing for all the unsung saints,
That countless, nameless throng,
Who kept the faith and passed it on
With hope steadfast and strong
Through all the daily griefs and joys
No chronicles record,
Forgetful of their lack of fame,
But mindful of their Lord.
- 2 Though uninscribed with date or place,
With title, rank, or name,
As living stones their stories join
To form a hallowed frame
Around the myst’ry in their midst:
The Lamb once sacrificed,
The Love that wrested life from death,
The wounded, risen Christ.
- 3 So we take heart from unknown saints
Bereft of earthly fame,
Those faithful ones who have received
A more enduring name:
For they reveal true blessing comes
When we our pride efface
And offer back our lives to be.
The vessels of God’s grace.

Invocation

P We begin our worship in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Opening *Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:13-14*

P Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?”

C I answered, “Sir, you know.”

P And he said, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

C They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”

P In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;

C in your righteousness deliver me.

P For you are my rock and my fortress;

C and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

P Into your hand I commit my spirit;

C You have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

P Glory be to the Father and to the Son

C and to the Holy Spirit;

P as it was in the beginning,

C is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

C They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Confession & Absolution

P Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

We take time in silence to confess our personal and communal sin before God, confident that we will receive forgiveness.

P Most merciful God,

C We confess that we are guilty of many sins. We have sinned against you and against our neighbor in what we have thought, said, and done. We have sinned through ignorance, through

weakness, and through our own deliberate fault. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive our sins. Lead us out of darkness to walk as children of your light. Amen.

P In the stead and by the command of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I announce to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of the God who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. (*1 Peter 2:9-10*)

Sharing of the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

P We share Christ's peace with one another.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

First Reading

Daniel 7:1-3, 13-18

⁷ In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel had a dream, and visions passed through his mind as he was lying in bed. He wrote down the substance of his dream. ² Daniel said: "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me were the four winds of heaven churning up the great sea. ³ Four great beasts, each different from the others, came up out of the sea. ¹³ "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. ¹⁴ He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed. ¹⁵ "I, Daniel, was troubled in spirit, and the visions that passed through my mind disturbed me. ¹⁶ I approached one of those standing there and asked him the meaning of all this. "So he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things: ¹⁷ "The four great beasts are four kings that will rise from

the earth. ¹⁸ But the holy people of the Most High will receive the kingdom and will possess it forever—yes, for ever and ever.’

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 1:11-23

¹¹ In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, ¹² in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. ¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God’s possession—to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God’s people, ¹⁶ I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. ¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

John 11:32-44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the eleventh chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

³² When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother

would not have died.”

³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ “Where have you laid him?” he asked.

“Come and see, Lord,” they replied.

³⁵ Jesus wept.

³⁶ Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”

³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

³⁸ Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹ “Take away the stone,” he said. “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.”

⁴⁰ Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?”

⁴¹ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”

⁴³ When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

For All the Saints

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**1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**2 Thou was their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**3 Oh, may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor’s crown of gold!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Homily

For All the Saints

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- 5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
- 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of Glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
- 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Nicene Creed

**☩ 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 catholic and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

P Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead. Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together into one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and peace. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with him through the gate of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with him at your heavenly banquet. Lord, in your mercy,

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| <i>Terry Elhardt-</i> | <i>June 15, 1951 - January 6, 2025</i> |
| <i>Danny Haselhorst-</i> | <i>September 24, 1989 - November 24, 2024</i> |
| <i>Jason Herschman-</i> | <i>May 10, 1970 – December 12, 2024</i> |
| <i>Carolyn Iverson Schroeder-</i> | <i>January 19, 1932 – July 25, 2025</i> |
| <i>Lloyd Sinclair-</i> | <i>April 28, 1943 – February 28, 2025</i> |
| <i>Donald Slaughter-</i> | <i>June 24, 1932 – August 13, 2025</i> |
| <i>Harold Spitzack-</i> | <i>January 19, 1933 – November 25, 2024</i> |
| <i>Ronald Clark -</i> | <i>January 24, 1954 – September 24, 2025</i> |
| <i>Alden Lange -</i> | <i>April 23, 1940 – June 3, 2025</i> |

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

P It is good and right for us always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image, and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered your people from captivity, made covenant to be their God, and spoke to them through your prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

LSB 507 v. 2

P Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering,

death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made a new covenant by water and the spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit. And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves as a holy and living sacrifice, in praise and thanksgiving for Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

☩ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Agnus Dei

**☩ O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Distribution

We believe that as we partake of the bread and wine in Holy Communion, Jesus the Messiah is feeding us with his own true body and blood. In eating his body and drinking his blood we receive the promise that our sins are forgiven, and that we will therefore live eternally with God. We also believe that this eating and drinking is a confession of our faith.

If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and if you share our understanding of Christ's Real Presence in this meal, you are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood for your benefit

Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Choir

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

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**1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"**

**Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**2 O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, three in One:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

LSB 676

**1 Behold a host, arrayed in white,
Like thousand snow-clad mountains bright!
With palms they stand;
Who is this band
Before the throne of light?
These are the saints of glorious fame,
Who from the great affliction came
And in the flood
Of Jesus' blood
Are cleansed from guilt and shame.
They now serve God both day and night;**

**They sing their songs in endless light.
Their anthems ring
As they all sing
With angels shining bright.**

**2 Despised and scorned, they sojourned here;
But now, how glorious they appear!
Those martyrs stand,
A priestly band,
God's throne forever near.
On earth they wept through bitter years;
Now God has wiped away their tears,
Transformed their strife
To heav'nly life,
And freed them from their fears.
They now enjoy the Sabbath rest,
The heav'nly banquet of the blest;
The Lamb, their Lord,
At festive board
Himself is host and guest.**

**3 O blessèd saints in bright array
Now safely home in endless day,
Extol the Lord,
Who with his Word
Sustained you on the way.
The steep and narrow path you trod;
You toiled and sowed the Word abroad;
Rejoice and bring
Your fruits and sing
Before the throne of God.
The myriad angels raise their song;
O saints, sing with that happy throng!
Lift up one voice;
Let heav'n rejoice
In our Redeemer's song!**

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

LSB 680

**1 Thine the amen thine the praise
Alleluias angels raise
Thine the everlasting head**

Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory thine the story
Thine the harvest then the cup
Thine the vineyard then the cup is lifted up lifted up.

2 Thine the life eternally
Thine the promise let there be
Thine the vision thine the tree
All the earth on bended knee
Gone the nailing gone the railing
Gone the pleading gone the cry
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

3 Thine the truly thine the yes
Thine the table we the guest
Thine the mercy all from thee
Thine the glory yet to be
Then the ringing and the singing
Then the end of all the war
Thine the living thine the loving evermore evermore.

4 Thine the kingdom thine the prize
Thine the wonder full surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise
Then the justice of thy ways
Thine the glory thine the story
Then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at thy feast at thy feast.

5 Thine the glory in the night
No more dying only light
Thine the river thine the tree
Then the Lamb eternally
Then the holy holy holy
Celebration jubilee
Thine the splendor thine the brightness only thee only thee.

Dismissal

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

Sing with All the Saints of Glory

LSB 671

- 1 Sing with all the saints in glory,
Sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,
To the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking;
Soon the storms of time shall cease;
In God's likeness we awaken,
Knowing everlasting peace.
- 2 Oh, what glory, far exceeding
All that eye has yet perceived!
Holiest hearts for ages pleading
Never that full joy conceived.
God has promised, Christ prepares it;
There on high our welcome waits.
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it,
Christ has passed the eternal gates.
- 3 Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices:
Jesus lives who once was dead.
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!
Child of God, lift up your head!
Life eternal! Oh, what wonders
Crowd on faith; what joy unknown,
When, amid earth's closing thunders,
Saints shall stand before the throne!

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Sending

Serving in Worship

November 2, 2025

Pastor

Jason Neel

Usher

Jan Fuerst

Elders

Carl Schwanbeck
Kevin Zimmerman

Reader

Carl Schwanbeck

Organist

Karine Platt

Greeters

Jeff & Amy Fey

Acolytes

Abby & Nora Weinhold

In our prayers

Celebrating Birthdays: Steven Buus 11/3, Chuck Kolk 11/4, Jude Miller 11/8, and Phil Marquardt 11/9.

Anniversary: Pat & Linda McCarty 11/3.

This Week at a Glance

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| Today | 8:00 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Worship |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Education Hour |
| Monday | 6:00 p.m. | Bible Study |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Spaghetti Dinner |
| | 6:45 p.m. | Prayer Service |
| Tuesday | 10:00 a.m. | Women's Bible study |
| Wednesday | 10:00 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Confirmation |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Youth Group |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | Bell Choir |
| | 7:00 a.m. | Men's Bible Study |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Board of Education Meeting |
| Friday | 7:00 p.m. | Choir |
| | 2:00 p.m. | David & Mikayla Sauerwein |
| | | Wedding |

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| Saturday | 7:00 a.m. | Small Group Bible Study |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. | Bible Study |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Worship |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Education Hour |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Operation Christmas Child |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Bible Study |

Notes of Information

Prayer Opportunity: Weekly at the end of service, an Elder will be available at the Communion Rail for personal prayer support. If privacy is requested, it will be accommodated.

Operation Christmas Child: We will be packing boxes on November 9th following the Education Hour. Pizza lunch will be served at about 11:30 a.m.

Youth Group: Youth Group will be held every other Wednesday following confirmation class. The Next youth group will be held on Nov. 5th

Silent Auction: New this year to the Youth Bake Sale in December will be a silent auction. If you have items you would like to donate for baskets, please reach out to Amy Fey in the church office or Laura Marquardt.

Book Club: Spirit of Christ Book Club will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m. Dates and books are:

November 24 – *The Tall Woman* by Wilma Dykeman.

There is **NO** Book Club in December.

January 26 - *The Women* by Kristin Hannah

If you have any questions, please contact Joan Mager.

NACE: At this time NACE is only taking Fall and Winter clothes. They especially need girls' and women's clothes for ages 5 & up. Food needs are canned fruit, sides and peanut butter. For more information, reach out to Toni Peterson.

Carl's Movie Minute:

Karen Kingsbury's *The Christmas Ring*: This Hallmark style movie from the famous Christian fiction author. This tale revolves around a long-lost family heirloom ring, the search for it, and the lives of those woven around it. Nov. 6-20 @ East Bethel Emagine.
Sarah's Oil: The true story of a young girl in the earliest days of oil fever who believes there is oil in a most unlikely place When

she finds a couple of potentially nefarious wildcatters, she makes a bargain with them to find oil and the challenges she and her crew encounter retrieving it ensue. Opening Nov. 7th No locations or ticket availability yet. (Theater locations are likely White Bear Emagine or Marcus Theaters Oakdale)

Oracles of God: The Story of the New Testament: This documentary explores the decades after the resurrection. It traces the composition of the Gospels, the circulation of letters, and the way the early church fathers confirmed and preserved the sacred texts. Three nights only: Nov 2-3 and 5th Emagine East Bethel.

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| Average Weekly Offering | \$6703 |
| <i>Average offering needed per week to fulfill work plan</i> | <i>\$7271</i> |

Next Week's Readings

Job 19:23-27, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17, Luke 20:27-40



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