Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church

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November 5, 2023 - All Saints' Sunday The liturgy is Setting 8 in the ELW.

PRELUDE - "Cornet Voluntary" - Walond

BELL CALL TO WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWER DEDICATION - David and Beth Erickson have provided the altar flowers in honor of all the saints who have gone before us.

OPENING LITANY

We remember, O God, the countless saints of history who have blazed a trail of courage through time, the tender touch of loved ones, the example of heroes, the healing words of comforters, the remarkable acts of fearless ones.

We remember, O God, the gentle strength of parents and grandparents, the loyalty of friends.

the kindness of strangers, the joy of children, the sacrifice of our ancestors.

We remember, O God, the supreme love of Jesus, the blessing of His Spirit, the reminder of His words, the sharing of His suffering, the glory of His resurrection: shown forth in the lives of His disciples, young and old, dead and living, articulate and silent, strange and familiar, brilliant and ordinary.

We remember in every time and place the saints of God who have shown us the Lord. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN ELW #422 - "For All the Saints" (vss. 1-4) (page 10)

PASTORAL 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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Our lives are full of mistakes and sins- places where we follow our own idols instead of the One True God. Let us come before God, just as generations of believers have done, and pray for God's forgiveness and grace.

Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us. Hold me, Holy God—comfort me when I mourn the death of friends and family, and help me to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. I praise you for the grace you shower on me, constantly forgiving my sins, especially the ones that I don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of my heart.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Friends, hear the good news! We have forgiveness and hope in Jesus, our Savior who taught through his words and deeds that God has already forgiven us. Thus, we and all who have come before us are known as the holy ones of God. Thanks be to God for God's mercy, grace, and love! **Amen!**

OPENING HYMN #422 - "For All the Saints" (vss. 5-7)

- The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 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!

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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING - Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows."

Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

This is the Word of the Lord.

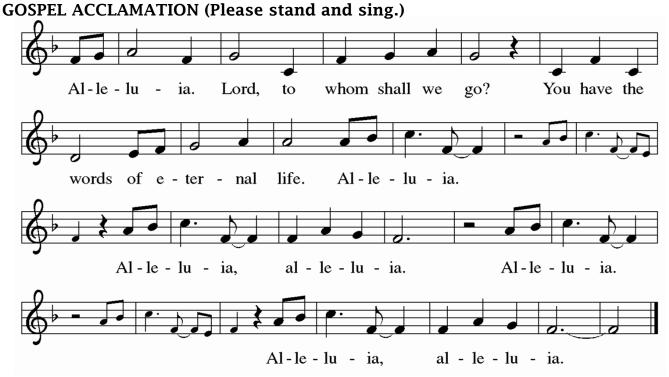
Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING - 1 John 3:1-3

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



This is the good news according to St. Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL - Matthew 5:1-12

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

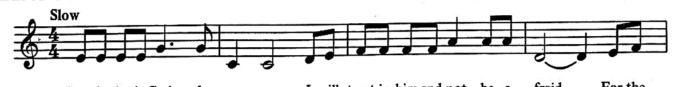
- ³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- ⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- 6"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- ⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- 8"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- ⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- ¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ¹¹"Blessed are you when people 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 in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

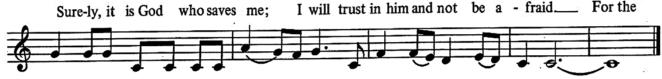
This is the Word of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(10:30 am) CHOIR ANTHEM - "The First Song of Isaiah" ISAIAH 12: 2-6*

JACK NOBLE WHITE





Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de-fense, and he will be my Sav - ior.

VERSE

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say,
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

REFRAIN

VERSE

Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his Name is exalted. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world.

REFRAIN

VERSE

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,
For the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

REFRAIN (sung twice) .

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SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #485- "I Am the Bread of Life" (page 11)

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary

and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Holy God, encourage and uphold your church around the world. We thank you for your Word, which we receive as holy. Lead bishops, pastors, deacons, and all members of your church in lives worthy of you. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer

Creating God, revive your creation where it is neglected, misused, or abused. Bolster advocates in eco-justice organizations. Nurture endeavors that aid communities affected by hazardous waste, poor air, and polluted waters. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer

Righteous God, accompany our nation as it prepares for elections. Protect voters, voting officials, poll workers, and journalists. Guide leaders around the world, that fair and wise decisions show care for all, especially those society has forgotten or mistreated. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer

Nurturing One, bring relief to those carrying heavy burdens. We pray for those in difficult home situations, for foster children, and for all who are in jails or prison. Strengthen those burdened by chronic pain, grief, or other illness. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Eternal God, you unite all the faithful at your heavenly feast. We remember your saints gathered in your eternal presence, especially all who have died in the past year. Lord in your mercy.

hear our prayer

Holy One, we remember in thanksgiving all those who have died this year:

Beverly Quartuccio
Linda Bongard
Danielle Wade
Lois Sobyak
Richard Emerson
Steven Herring
Gerald Olson
Jean Friske
Robin Frisch

Warren Holsbo Susan Olson Barbara Crawford Robert Peterson Gregory Iverson Daniel Stencel

Jacqueline Kadinger Jacquelyn Showers

Wipe away our tears and comfort us with the promise of everlasting life in you. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING - If you missed placing your offering of in the plate when you arrived, there will be another plate by the ushers to leave your offering as you depart. Thank you for your support.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

THE 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...



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Let us pray for God's kingdom to come here, now and forever:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 TO COMMUNION

Come to the Lord's Supper, for all is now ready.

SHARING THE MEAL

All are welcome to receive the Real Presence of Christ in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. You do not need to be a member of this church or a Lutheran to receive the sacrament. We do ask that you desire a relationship with Jesus Christ.

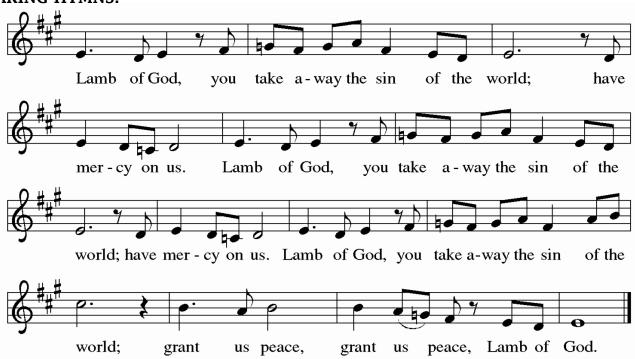
If you require gluten-free hosts, please say "no gluten" when you approach the person sharing the host.

The center rings of the trays provided contain grape juice for those desiring it. Cups may be returned to the Acolytes' baskets. The Common Cup is also available. Children may come forward for a blessing, or to receive communion if they have been through instruction, here, or at another church.

If you wish to still receive the individual communion packet (wafer on top and wine/juice on the bottom), please pick one up as you approach the front.

If you would like the sacraments brought to you, please let the usher know. Welcome!

SHARING HYMNS:



SPECIAL COMMUNION MUSIC - "Amazing Grace" Bell Solo by CaylieJo Pereau

PASTORAL BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

Amen.

PRAYER FOR HOME COMMUNION MINISTRY

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes, in prisons and in hospitals. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN ACS #950 - "Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In" (page 12)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. And serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Serving you today in Christ's love:

Ushers

8:00 am

Team Ringhand, CaylieJo Pereau Jeff Gaffney

10:30 am

Team Kvalheim

Readers

8:00 am

Tim Thompson

10:30 am

Beth Erickson

Communion Helpers

8:00 am

Team Paulson

10:30 am

Team Emerson

Acolytes

8:00 am

Maddie Feldman, Leighton Vieau

10:30 am

Caylie Jo Pereau

Maddie Riedel

Calendar-Week of November 5, 2023

Sun., Nov. 5

Name Tag Sunday

8:00 am Worship Service

9:15 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

Tues., Nov. 7

9:00 am Women's Bible Study - FH

5:30 pm Property Committee -FR

5:30 pm SunShine Chimes

6:30 pm Cub Scouts-FH/NK SSR

6:30 Bell practice - S

6:45 pm Deforest Study Club -FR

Wed., Nov. 8

6:00 pm Confirmation-NK

7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thurs., Nov. 9

6:00 pm Boy Scouts -FH

6:30 pm Cub Scout Committee-FH

Sat. Nov. 11

11 AM - 5 PM LUTEFISK

Sun., Nov. 12

8:00 am Worship Service

10:30 am Worship Service

OPENING HYMN ELW #422 - "For All the Saints" (vss. 1-4)



Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

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Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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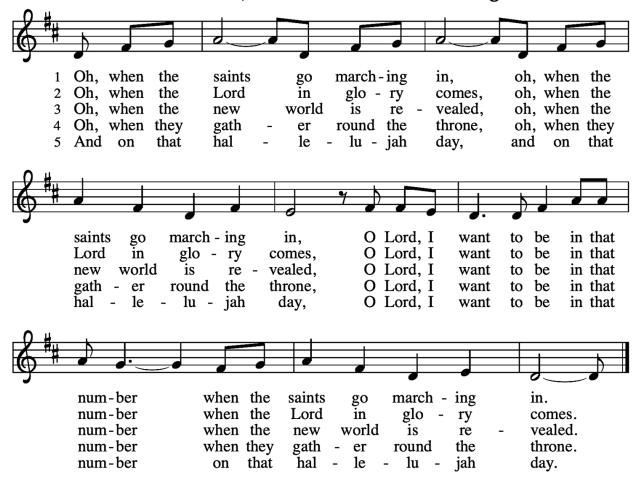
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Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM
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SENDING HYMN ACS #950 - "Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In"



Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

A Special Thank You! Anne Emerson, Pam Hamele, Nora Geach, bell ringers and CaylieJo Pereau as chimer.

Thanksgiving Meals For The Hungry

This year we will be donating meals to elderly through the DeForest Area Community Center, donating non-perishable food items to the DeForest Area Food Pantry and also helping the Moravian Church with their Thanksgiving meal they prepare for community members in need. We will be distributing the meals etc. the week of November 20. Bags & shopping lists will be available outside of the Friendship Room on November 5th. Each bag will have a number on it. There will be a list next to the bags. Please write your name and phone number next to the number on the list which corresponds with the number on the bag you have taken. There will also be envelopes available if you would like to contribute towards buying turkeys for the meals. Please return the full bags to the Friendship Room no later than noon on November 16. Any questions you can call Pam Hamele at 608-215-0382 or the church office. Thank you everyone!!