



Messiah Lutheran Church

All Saints Day

November 1, 2026 8:30 am

Prelude

Meditation on "Oh, When the Saints" - Neff

Welcome & Announcements

Welcome to Messiah

We are a community of grace where we live out Jesus' commandment to love God with our whole heart and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We also seek to be a welcoming community for all people. This includes people of every race, ability, sexual orientation and gender identity, ethnic background, economic grouping, religious affiliation, and political persuasion. We do this simply because God created all people in God's own image and Christ Jesus came so all people might have abundant life. We may not always be perfect, but this is our intention—all are welcome!

The presiding minister will read the sections in plain, you are invited to read the bold sections.

Confession & Forgiveness

(please stand as you are comfortable in body or spirit)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.

Amen.

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

Holy God,

**we confess that we have trusted in our preparation
instead of your invitation.**

We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.

**We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.**

We are not awake to the coming of your reign.

**Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.**

Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace.

+ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.

You are forgiven.

Blessed are you.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

#422 "For All the Saints"



- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the
7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; . .

saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host, . .



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
thou, in the dark - ness dread, their one true light.

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!



3 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine, we fee - bly strug - gle,
4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, steals on the ear the
5 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west; soon, soon to faith - ful



they in glo - ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
dis - tant tri - umph song, and hearts are brave a - gain and arms are
ser - vants com - eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
strong.
blest.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897

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

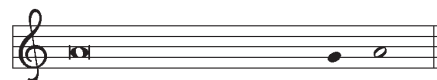
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Greeting

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.**

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



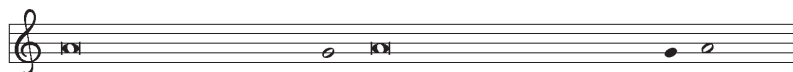
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



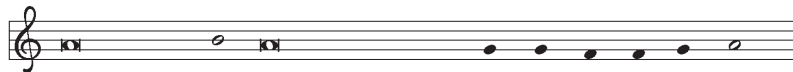
For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and
strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.
2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the
hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and
might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.
Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

Prayer of the Day

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.**

First Reading *(please be seated)*

Revelation 7:9-17

9 After 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. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"

11 And 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, 12 singing,

“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, robed in white, and where have they come from?” 14 I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who 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.

15 For 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.

16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,

17 for 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.”

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

1 I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**2 I will glory in the LORD;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

**4 I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

5 Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**6 I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.**

7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.

**8 Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

9 Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

**10 The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

22 O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Second Reading

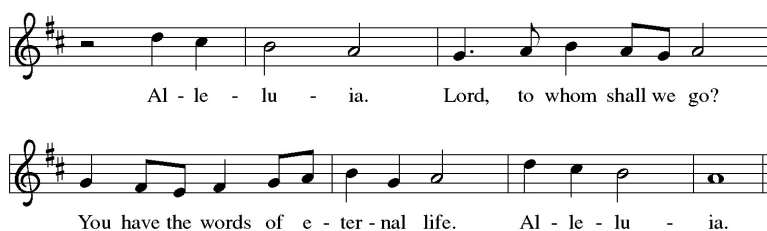
1 John 3:1-3

1 See 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. 2 Beloved, 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. 3 And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *(please stand as you are able in body or spirit)*



Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

Glory to you, O Lord.

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And 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 the sake of righteousness, 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. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon *(please be seated)*

Hymn of the Day

#695 "As Saints of Old"



1 As saints of old their first-fruits brought of or - chard, flock, and field
2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la - bor, love, and give;
3 In grat - i - tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to - day



to God, the giv - er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,
to make our life an of - fer - ing to God, that all may live.
to serve your cause and share your love with all a - long life's way.



so we to - day first - fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land,
The church of Christ is call - ing us to make the dream come true:
O God, who gave your - self to us in Je - sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.
a world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.
teach us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

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Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune

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Apostles' Creed *(please stand as you are able in body or spirit)*

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

Remembrance of All Saints

We have just confessed our faith in “the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.” This is the promise into which we were baptized. God has joined us to the death and resurrection of Christ and given us the Holy Spirit as the pledge of the life that is to come.

Trusting this promise, on this All Saints’ Day we remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith. In a moment, I will read the names of members of Messiah who have died during the past year. As each name is read, a candle will be lit and a bell will ring. Later, during the final petition of the Prayers of Intercession, you will be invited to come forward and light a candle in remembrance of others who are on your hearts today.

Bill Maki, Tom Osier, Ken Vickstrom, Tina Johnson, Helen M. Johnson, Pauline Kiltinen, Kathy Osier, David Dill, Jan Vickstrom, John Kiltinen, Gene Arntsen

We give thanks for these saints and entrust them to the God who claimed them in baptism and whose love is stronger than death.

Rest eternal grant them, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Silence.

Prayers of Intercession

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways. Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness, especially... God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation’s ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of resurrection, we give you thanks for all your saints: those known throughout the church, those known to this congregation, and those known especially to us.

As we continue in prayer, you are invited, if you wish, to come forward and light a candle in remembrance of someone you love, giving thanks for their life and entrusting them into the love of God. [“Behold A Host” Jonah Hardenbergh, Baritone Soloist, accompanied by Tuba Quartet]

We thank you for their lives, for the love we received through them, and for the ways their lives continue to shape our own. Keep us in communion with all your saints until that day when death is no more and you gather all things together in Christ. Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

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

Senior Choir Anthem

“I Come With Joy”

Offering Prayer

Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord’s Supper

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...

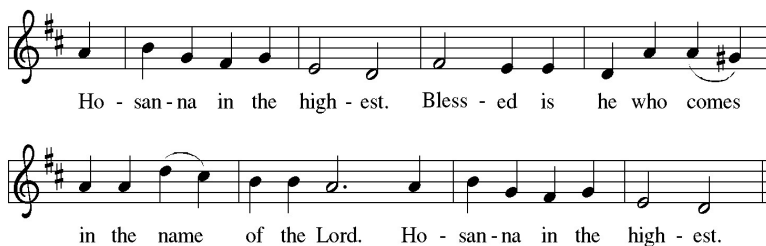
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Holy mighty, and merciful Lord ...
... almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

Holy Communion

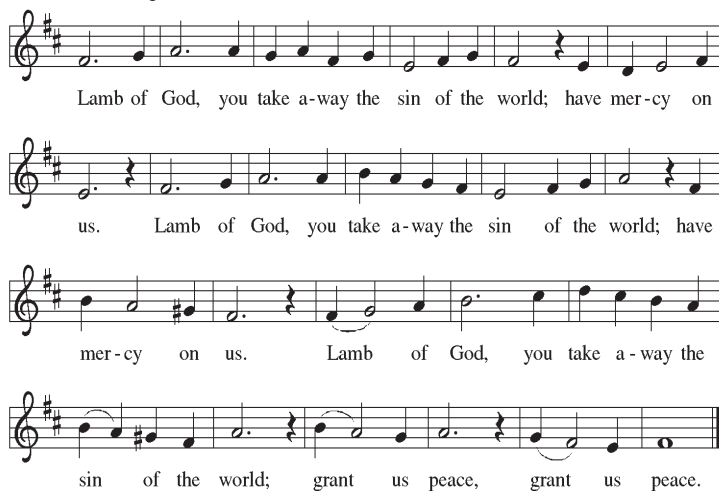
In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

When an usher invites you, come forward.

*At either station, receive **bread** and **dip it into the wine** (intinction); Or, if you prefer the **common cup**, receive bread at either station, eat it, and then step to the minister between the stations to drink from the shared cup; **Gluten-free wafers** and **separate wine or grape juice** are available; If you prefer a **blessing**, come forward with your arms crossed. Return to your seat by the side aisles.*

Communion Hymns *(please be seated)*

"Lamb of God"



#423 "Shall We Gather at the River"
#427 "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer *(please stand as you are able in body or spirit)*

Blessing

The holy Trinity,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
Amen.

Sending Hymn

#950 "Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In" verses 1, 4 & 5



1 Oh, when the saints go march-ing in, oh, when the
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo-ry comes, oh, when the
3 Oh, when the new world is re-vealed, oh, when the
4 Oh, when they gath-er round the throne, oh, when they
5 And on that hal-le-lu-jah day, and on that



saints go march-ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that
Lord in glo-ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that
new world is re-vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that
gath-er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that
hal-le-lu-jah day, O Lord, I want to be in that



num-ber when the saints go march-ing in.
num-ber when the Lord in glo-ry comes.
num-ber when the new world is re-vealed.
num-ber when they gath-er round the throne.
num-ber on that hal-le-lu-jah day.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

Sending

Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"For All the Saints"

Guest Musicians

Euphonium Leah Elenbaas & Gordon Erickson
Tuba: Chris Adams & Tom Bronken
Vocal Jonah Hardenbergh

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