



ALL SAINTS' DAY

Welcome to St. John Lutheran Church
Sunday, November 1, 2026 All Saints' Sunday



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

St. John Choir

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy God,

**C: 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.

P: Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his
mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you.

ALL: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

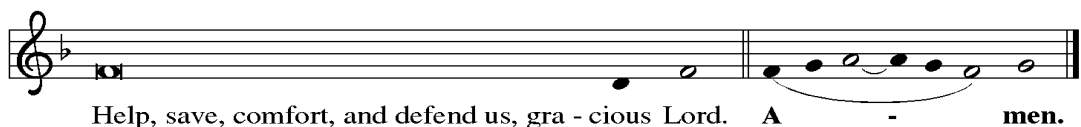
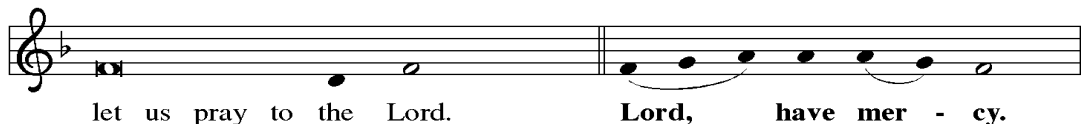
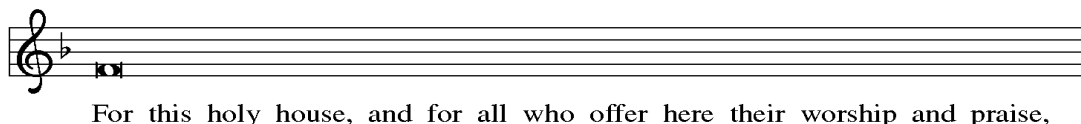
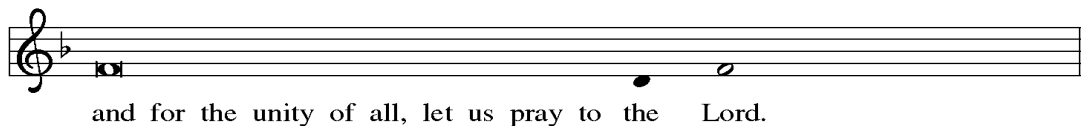
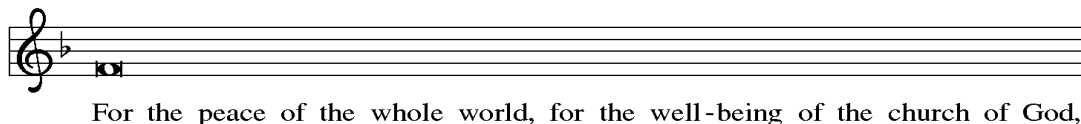
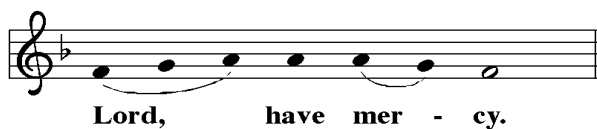
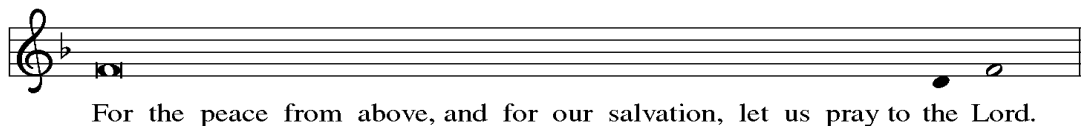
For All Your Saints, O Lord

Hymn #427

5 verses

GREETING AND KYRIE

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**



This Is the Feast

Refrain



Refrain



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Refrain

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: 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.

ALL: Amen.

CHILDREN'S BELLS

Abide with Me

First Reading

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.”

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

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.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

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.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

For All the Saints

Hymn # 422
Verses 1, 2, 3, 7

The Nicene Creed

C: 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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

P: God, In Your Mercy

C: Hear our prayer.



COMMEMORATION OF THE SAINTS

P: Holy One, for the saints who now rest in your mercy, we give you thanks. We remember their witness of faithfulness and love. Today we remember...

Madonna Bury 12/5/25

P: Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

C: He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise." (Luke 23:42-43)

Elaine Gruetter 3/18/26

P: Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

C: Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

(Col 3:1-2)

Robert Joehlin 4/15/26

P: I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies;

C: And whoever lives and believes in Me will never die.

(John 11:25-26)

Eugene Bihn 5/1/26

P: I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand upon the earth.

C: And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God. (Job 19:25-26)

Shirley Crosskill 6/30/26

P: I tell you the truth, whoever hears My word and believes in Him who sent me has eternal life.

C: And will not be condemned: He has crossed over from death to life. (John 5:24)

Mary Jane Harmeyer 8/31/26

P: If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,

C: he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. (Romans 8:11)

Clifford Bury 10/10/26

P: Jesus said, "Those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty.

C: The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." (John 4:14)

Carolyn J. Lasseter 10/12/26

P: Jesus said, I am the light of the world.

C: Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life. (John 8:12)

P: Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side.

God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

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

C: Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

*(Please offer those around you a sign of peace as you are comfortable..
this can be a handshake, a thumbs up, a fist bump or simply a smile...)*

AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT

Refrain

Congregation:



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;



so may all your peo - ple from all the ends of earth be



gath-ered in - to one in you.

Verses



1. As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst, _____
2. Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when



To refrain

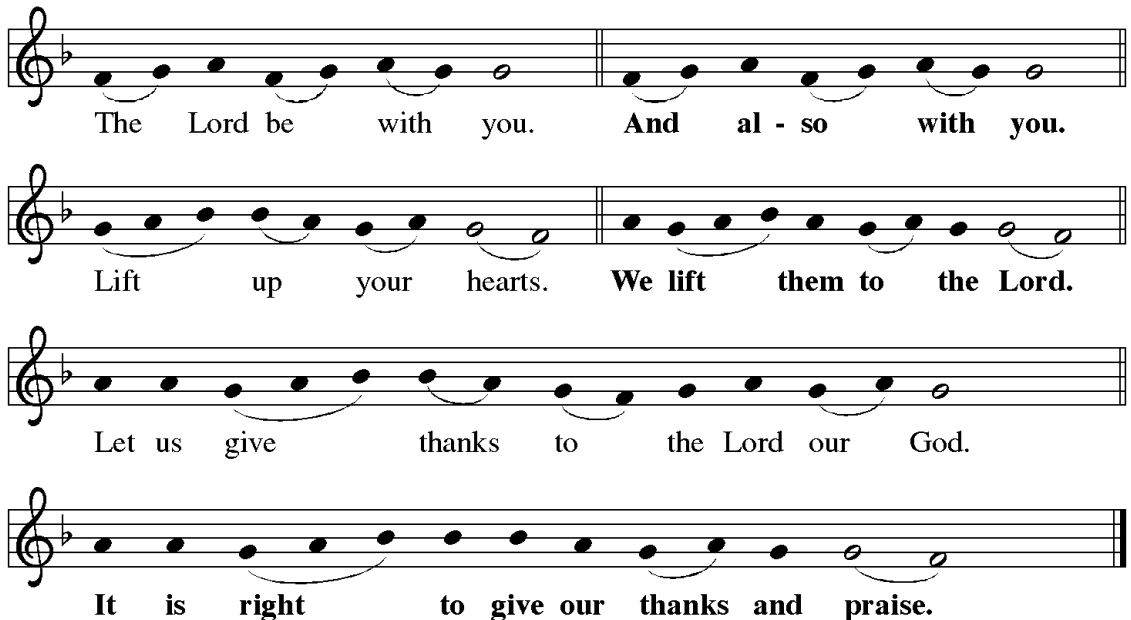
may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Eternal God,

C: 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 musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are as follows:

- Staff 1: The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
- Staff 2: Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
- Staff 3: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- Staff 4: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ By the witness of the saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy , and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

**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;

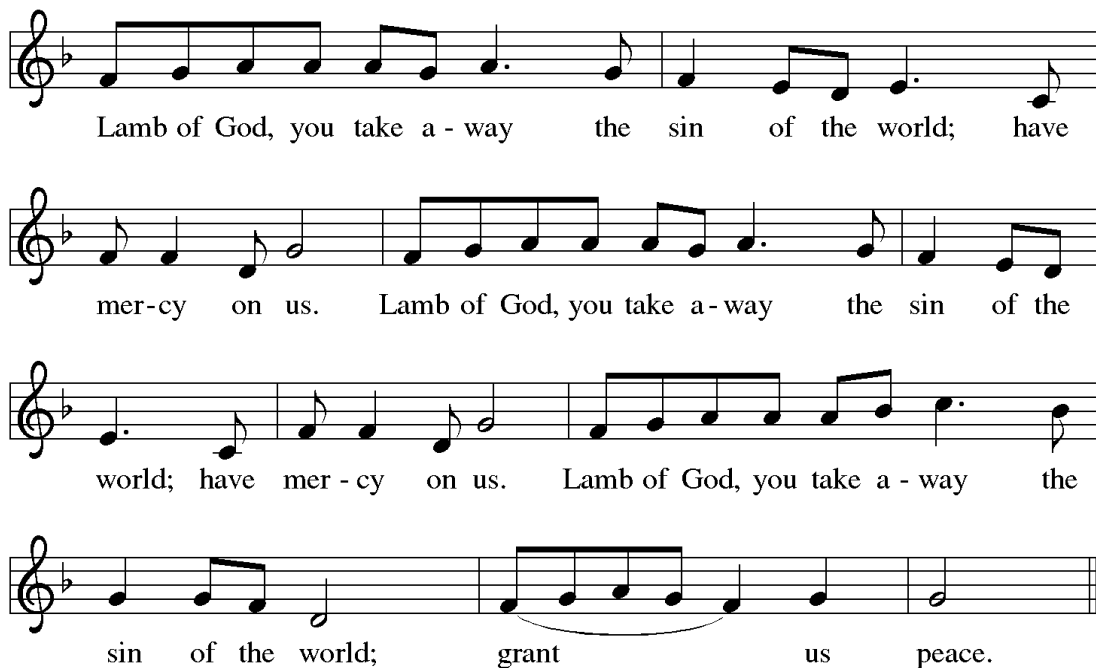
and forgive us our trespasses,

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



THE DISTRIBUTION



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Holy God,

C: we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.

You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Holy Trinity, Father †, Son and Holy Spirit bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

C: Amen

SENDING SONG

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

Hymn # 424

4 verses

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Welcome!

St. John practices “open communion”. All who are baptized and instructed are welcome to share the Lord’s Supper with us today. Starting with the right side of the church, followed by the left when they are finished, the Pastor will distribute the bread and the communion assistant will serve the wine. We will also have pre-sealed elements available for those who would prefer the more hygienic option (or those who wish to receive grape juice instead of wine). Indicate to the Pastor that you would like pre-sealed elements and skip the wine server. Those who wish to receive a blessing should indicate their wishes to the Pastor by crossing their arms over their chest.