



## **All Saints Sunday**

**10:30 AM, Sunday, November 7, 2021**

*“Father, I thank you for having heard me.”*

*Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year’s All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John’s gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah’s feast to come.*

**GOOD SHEPHERD EVANGELIC LUTHERAN CHURCH  
MANISTEE, MICHIGAN**

## WELCOME

*All who are able, stand at the invitation of the presiding minister.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

## ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## GATHERING VOLUNTARY

Organ Chorale: Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”  
- Sam Batt Owens (1928-1998)

*All who are able **stand** for the hymn.*

## GATHERING HYMN

ELW #754 “Jesus, the Very Thought of You”

## 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er; Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**



**and who can stand in his | holy place?"**

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

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

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

**Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O ever- | lasting  
doors;**

**and the King of glory | shall come in.**

**"Who is this | King of glory?"**

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

**Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O ever- | lasting  
doors;**

**and the King of glory | shall come in.**

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

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

**Glory to the Father and | to the Son**

**and to the | Holy Spirit**

**As it was in the beginning is now**

**and will | be forever.**

**A | --men.**

## **SECOND READING**

Revelation 21:1-6a

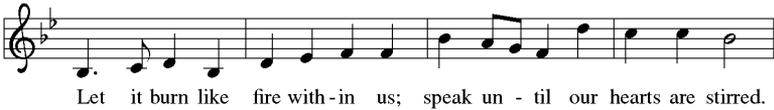
A reading from Revelation,

Then I 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. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he 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." And 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." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*All who are able, **stand** for the Gospel*

## GOSPEL

John 11: 32-44

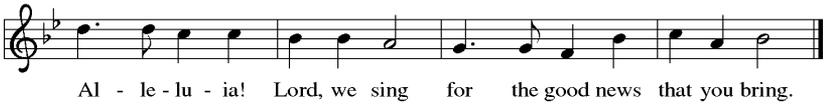
For All Saints, the Holy Gospel comes to us from the 11<sup>th</sup> Chapter of the Gospel of John:

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four

days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**



*All are seated*

**HOMILY**

Pastor Greene

*All who are able, **stand** to sing the hymn.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

ELW #422 "For All the Saints", verses 1,2,6,7

*The assembly is seated*

**APOSTLE'S CREED**

**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.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*Each petition ends with:*  
Lord in Your Mercy,  
**Hear our Prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## **REMEMBERING THE SAINTS AT REST**

*As the names of those who have died during the past year are read, bells are rung and candles are lighted.*

## **GREETING OF PEACE**

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

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words. Then all are seated while the meal is prepared. When the table is set, all who are able stand at the invitation of the presiding minister.*

## **ANTHEM AT THE GATHERING OF GIFTS**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

- Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

Arranged and translated by Patrick Liebergen, 1997

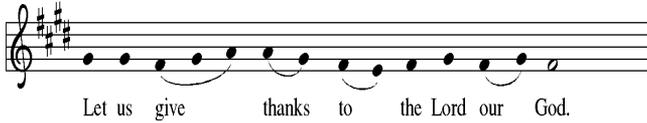
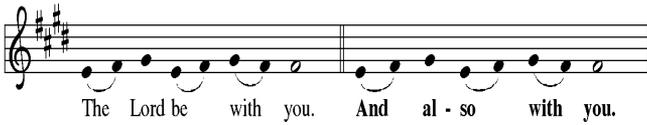
Holy, holy, holy, Holy is the Lord, holy is our God. Praise the Lord in heaven, blessed be His name. Praise the Lord forever, glory be to God.

## MEAL

Let us pray,

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**



## GREAT THANKSGIVING

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. In the blessedness of your saints you have given us a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling; that, moved by their witness and supported by their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and with them receive the unfading crown of glory. And so, with the Church on earth and

the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

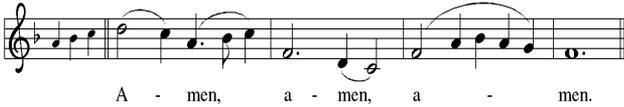
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: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

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



**LORD’S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**LAMB OF GOD** *Sung by all.*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

*All are seated.*

## **COMMUNION VOLUNTARY**

“Meditation: Shall We Gather at the River”  
- Dale Wood (1934-2003)

*When all have communed, the assembly stands.*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

ELW #521 “O Day of Rest and Gladness”

## **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **SENDING**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **SENDING HYMN**

ELW #427 “For All Your Saints, O Lord”

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## **SENDING VOLUNTARY**

“Intonation and Fanfare: For All the Saints”  
- Paul Manz (1919-2009)

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