

For the Week of November 7, 2021

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

We remember with thanksgiving these saints who have gone before us: Ray Carlson, Linda Melek, Roger Rignell, Patricia Griffith, Joyce Hegstrom.

CELEBRATION SUNDAY / STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Next week, November 14th - Please turn in your pledge cards or bring them with you. During the service, we will bless them and fill out the Time and Talent sheets.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH GROUP TODAY

Sunday school (preschool-5th grade) and youth group will follow worship, running from 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Masks are required.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Do you know a family who could benefit from support for Thanksgiving? Let the office know and we will include them in our basket outreach. Please contribute to this ministry with a special offering. We will use the funds to purchase Cub gift cards for each family. Thank you!

CHILDCARE FUNDRAISER

The childcare is selling butter braids and caramel rolls to raise funds to support the center. Order <u>online</u> or grab an order form outside the church office. Orders are due by TOMORROW November 8. Thank you!

AFGHAN REFUGEE SETTLEMENT

We've met our financial goal and have a core group of 9 volunteers ready to start working directly with the Afghan refugee family. 1-2 volunteers are still needed. Join us! You might be asked to help with activities such as tutoring English, assisting with understanding their mail, transporting to appointments and teaching them how to use public transportation. Most of these time commitments would be during their first six months from their arrival and then gradually taper off. An orientation video will be provided by Lutheran Social Services for those who will work directly with the family. If you are interested, please, contact a team lead: Dave Olson at 651-528-7459 or Nancy Nordeen at 612-770-8214.

O COME LET US ADORE HIM

O Come Let Us Adore Him. by Marie Pooler What: a Christmas story for children and adult choirs,

speech choir, narrator. **When:** December 19 during the worship service. **Who:** children, teens and adults who are vaccinated for the COVID virus and would like to participate in a short Christmas story with mostly familiar music. If you are interested, please contact Ruth Bills (ruthabills@gmail.com) or the church office.

A CHANGE IN PRAYER REQUESTS DURING WORSHIP

Please pick up a prayer card when you take a bulletin. Fill out the cards with prayer requests as you prepare for worship. An usher will collect the cards during the gathering hymn. We will include your joys and concerns in our prayers.

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THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- Dave Johnson recovering from surgery
- Aidan (Brenda Wetzel's nephew) awaiting a bone marrow transplant, and for his father Collin who is overwhelmed with worry
- Marilyn (Janell Wampler's sister) recovering from femur surgery and multiple infections
- Joe Prondzinski: pain relief and healing (Bob and Sandy Bauer's son-in-law)
- Kathy Halverson, recovering from surgery
- Ryan, friend of Greta Kutzer, struggling with MS
- Glenn, Brian Wirth's brother struggling with pain following back surgery
- John Salveson, former Mt. Carmel music director, battling cancer.

To include your prayers on this list, contact the church office. If you would like the pastor to be aware of your prayer concerns but do not want them named publicly, please be sure to note that. Let the office know of any updates or changes.

FELLOWSHIP NOVEMBER

- Good Fruits Bible Study—Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. at Silverwood Park (Contact Leona Olson, <u>onondave@yahoo.com</u>)
- ONLINE Men's Bible Study—Wednesdays at 6:45

 a.m. (Contact Ralph Matthes, marinosdelimpls@gmail.com)
- Racial Justice Book Study Group Thursday, November 4 at 6:30 p.m. in Fireside Room (contact Barb Hollister, <u>bjhollister@comcast.net</u>)

HOMEBOUND AND LONG-TERM CARE

Ethel Antonson, Marlene Black, Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Marion Harris, Gerry Johnson, Carol Kwiecien, Jennie Porter, Virginia Schaal and Dorothy Warhol

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

The mini-bus is revved up and ready to take you to church! Call the church office (612-781-2796) by noon Friday to let us know you want a ride.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP

If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of a loved one there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex by the elevator. The cost of one bouquet is \$27. You may pick up the flowers following the service.

COVID INFORMATION

Masks are required in the building for worship and meetings. We continue to ask that everyone distance from each other.

Please get tested if you believe you have been exposed to COVID and stay home and self-isolate if you have been infected or think you may have been infected. Thank you for your cooperation to ensure everyone's safety.



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Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday November 7, 2021

Congregation parts are printed in **bold**.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

For All the Saints

- 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 wast 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, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

ELW 422 (vs. 1-4)

ALL SAINTS REMEMBERANCE

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

- P: God of Grace and glory, we remember before you today our brothers and sisters in the family of Mt. Carmel who died during the past year. We thank you for giving them to us to know and to love as companions on our life journey. In your boundless compassion, console all who mourn. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord, so that we may live in hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: We commend to God those who have died since the last All Saints Sunday:

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HYMN OF COMMITMENT

The Hand of God Shall Hold You

Gather Hymnal, 862

Refrain:

The hand of God shall hold you, the peace of God unfold you, the love that dreamed and formed you, still surrounds you here today; The light of God beside you, above, beneath, inside you, the light that shines to guide you home to the loving hand of God.

1 May God's light shine ever upon you, may you rest in the arms of God, may you dwell for evermore in communion with all the blessed. [Refrain]

PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

- P: Into your hands, O merciful God, we commend these saints, your children. Acknowledge, we humbly ask, that in both life and death, they are sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming. May they rest eternal in the arms of your mercy, in everlasting peace, and in the glorious company of the saints in light.
- C: Amen

GREETING

L: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: 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.

C: Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wine strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

- L: Word of God, Word of Life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia

GOSPEL READING

John 11:32-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 11th chapter:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: 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."

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

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

A brief silence.

L: We give you thanks for social ministries of the church around the world and for every ministry that heals, lifts up, and empowers those who are poor, oppressed, abused, abandoned, or ignored. Build up your ministries and prosper all works of mercy. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: We praise you for the bounty of creation and a world of abundance. Protect the earth from all who would devour its resources. Create and strengthen sustainable communities who honor your creation with loving care. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: We give you thanks for leaders who seek peace for all nations and lead efforts toward greater justice. Accompany all who suffer the wounds of war, with veterans who carry battle scars from the past, and all who promote peace today. Hear us, O God.

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Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: We give you thanks for the saints of this congregation and for all saints who have inspired, challenged, loved, and taught us. Comfort all who grieve and lead us by their example until you gather us in your heavenly home. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

- L: God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C: Amen.

PEACE

OFFERING Jubilate

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW 583 (vs. 1-2)

Refrain: Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

- 1 Take my hands and let them move; at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee. [Refrain]
- 2 Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. [Refrain]

- There is bread on hand on a small plate. You may put a cloth or napkin on top if you like.
- There is wine or grape juice ready (or some other beverage if wine or grape juice is not available).
- That you have small glasses of some kind to drink from. The wine can either be poured ahead of time or at the time of serving.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- C: It is right to give God 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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
- C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
- 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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- C: 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

RECEIVING THE MEAL

L: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- L: Let us pray: Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet.
- C: Amen.

SENDING

FINAL BLESSING

- P: God the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life, bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.
- C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

For All the Saints

- 5 The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 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!
- 7 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!

DISMISSAL

- L: Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God!

Thank you to Paul Lathrop for providing the audio and video support for our worship services.

The Hand of God Shall Hold You Text: Marty Haugen, 1950

For All the Saints Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

Sing With all the Saints in Glory Text: William J. Irons, 1812-1883, alt. Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827, adapt.

Take My Life, That I May Be Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adap.; Spanish text: Vicente Mendoza, 1875-1955