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HOLY COMMUNION

All Saints Sunday

November 3, 2024 + 9:30 am *The raising of Lazarus*

Learn Live and Share God's Word

In Christ our home, there will be no pain and no sadness

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.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

GATHERING MUSIC

"Meditation (from Thais)"

Massenett

Before and during the prelude worshipers are invited to light a candle in remembrance of the saints of their lives who they are remembering today.

At the sound of the bell please stand to sing.

ENTRANCE HYMN

"Blest Are They"

(hymn) ELW 728

stanzas 1, 2 & 4

1 Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.

Refrain

Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you. Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

- 2 Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.
 Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
 Refrain
- 4 Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs. Refrain

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GREETING

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

(hymn) ELW 531

"The Feast is Ready"

1 The trumpets sound, the angels sing. the feast is ready to begin. The gates of heav'n are open wide, and Jesus welcomes you inside.

REFRAIN

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight. Come and revel in heaven's love and light. Take your place at the table of the King. The feast is ready to begin; The feast is ready to begin.

- 2 Tables are laden with good things; oh, taste the peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love divine, he'll turn your water into wine. REFRAIN
- 3 The hungry heart he satisfies, offers the poor his paradise.
 Now hear all heav'n and earth applaud the amazing goodness of the Lord. REFRAIN

 ${\it Text~\&~music:~Graham~Kendrick,~b.~1950}\\ \hbox{@~1989~Make~Way~Music,~admin.~Music~Services~in~the~Western~Hemisphere}$

GATHERING PRAYER

P 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.

The presider continues with words of welcome.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song

CHILDREN'S WORD

Children are invited forward; parents are welcome to come with their children.

FIRST READING

The banquet of the LORD

Isaiah 25:6-9

Isaiah sees a vision of the end of days, when the Lord will gather all God's people on God's holy mountain and will prepare for them a rich feast. At this banquet the Lord will wipe the tears from all eyes. And there will be no more sorrow, for God will destroy death itself.

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 wines strained clear.

⁷And 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.

⁸Then 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.

⁹It 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.

Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 24 ICEL

They shall receive a blessing from the God of their salvation. (24:5)

A God owns this planet and all its riches.

The earth and every creature belong to God.

C God set the land on top of the seas and anchored it in the deep.

A Who is fit to climb God's mountain and stand in his holy place?

- C Whoever has integrity: not chasing shadows, not living lies.
- A God will bless them, their savior will bring justice.
- C These people long to see the Lord, they seek the face of Jacob's God.
- A Stretch toward heaven, you gates, Open high and wide. Let the glorious sovereign enter. Who is this splendid ruler?
- C The Lord of power and might, the conqueror of chaos.
- A Stretch toward heaven, you gates, open high and wide. Let the glorious sovereign enter. Who is this splendid ruler?
- C The Lord of heaven's might, this splendid ruler is God. Give praise to the Father Almighty; to the Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord; to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts; both now and forever. Amen.

SECOND READING

A new heaven and a new earth

Revelation 21:1-6a

Here is a vision of the new heaven and new earth in which God resides fully with God's people so that mourning, despair, and pain have been eradicated. These renewing words from the God who spans all of time are trustworthy and true.

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.

²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

³And 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;

⁴he 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."

⁵And 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."

⁶Then he said to me, "It is done!

I am the Alpha and the Omega,

the beginning and the end."

Word of God. Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands and welcomes the gospel, singing: setting 10 p. 205:

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fie within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL

The raising of Lazarus

John 11:32-44

Through the raising of Lazarus, Jesus offers the world a vision of the life to come, when death and weeping will be no more.

The holy gospel according to John.

C 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."

³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?"

They said to him, "Lord, come and see."

³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus 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."

⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?"

⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I 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." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

⁴⁴The 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.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

(hymn) **ELW 422** intro: Jubilate Bells

"For All the Saints"

The names of those who have died since last All Saints' Sunday are read and remembered between stanza 5 & 6.

ALL

- 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!

CHOIR

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!

THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED SINCE LAST ALL SAINTS ARE READ.

Beverly Lerold
David Johnson
George Cruys
Jeannette Burmeister

Marlene Black Richard "Dick" Jacobson Geraldine "Gerry" Johnson

ALL

- 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!
- 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!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

APOSTLES' CREED

- A We have been made God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- C 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

Prayers are offered for the Church, the earth, the nations, and those in any need. each petition concludes:

...Hear us, O God,

C Your mercy is great.

finally:

P ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

PEACE

P The peace of the risen Christ be with you all.

C And also with you.

The assembly is invited to share the peace of Christ with one another.

OFFERING

When bread and wine are broken and shared in the Lord's Supper an offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Please leave your offerings in the baskets in the aisles or give online. During this time, the table is set. Please stand as the offering procession reaches the chancel. Thank you for your generosity.

"Pie Jesu" arr. G. Gilpin

Presentation of the Gifts

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray together.

C Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills

were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

The assisting minister pours out the wine.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.

The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving, concluding:

Lord's Prayer (1789)

- P As Christ teaches, we pray:
- 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.

Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion

Communion

"Lamb of God"

ELW hymn #195

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

silence for reflection concludes the communion

Prayer after Communion

A Let us pray.

O God, you feed us with one bread and sustain us with one hope. By your love make our faith strong, that with all your saints we may become one body, one spirit in Christ, and rise to eternal glory with him, who is Lord for ever and ever.

C Amen.

SENDING

We are sent to be God's hands in the world

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and + give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"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,

(hymn) **ELW 426** text ODE TO JOY tune

soon the storms of time shall cease; in God's likeness we awaken, knowing everlasting peace.

- 2 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.
- 3 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!

Text: William J. Irons, 1812-1883, alt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

DISMISSAL

Please face the worship leaders for the dismissal.

A Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Ode To Joy"

Beethoven

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Foy Christopherson, presiding
Karen Moeller, assisting minister
Roger Peterson, reader
Ruth Bills, director of music & worship
Chancel Choir
Jubilate Bells

Myrna Flatland, Julie Larson, technology desk Janell Partyka, sacristan/altar guild Al Erickson, Justin Fischer, ushers Andy Benedict, bus ministry The Gurney Family, coffee hosts

Dylan Edwards, Janell Wampler, Barb Hollister, salty Carmel hosts

Chancel flowers this weekend are given by the Mt Carmel Foundation in celebration of all the saints.

If you wish to donate flowers sign up in the narthex or call the church office.

Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lower level following worship.

This service is being streamed live on the internet.

All Saints' funeral planning workshop

Pastor C will lead his annual funeral planning workshop today. Why do we do what we do as Christians? Discover what a funeral does for us as we grieve, talk about Mt. Carmel's practice, discuss choices that may be made in the funeral planning process. Pick up a funeral planning worksheet or download it later from our website (posted after the workshop).

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Contact the coordinator below if you can help to accomplish these tasks:

OPPORTUNITY	COORDINATOR	DUE
Wash windows	Steve Panning	autumn
Clean fireside kitchen	Steve Panning	autumn
Christmas program	Ruth Bills	Event is Sunday, December
coordinators		22
Advent-congregation event	Seeking a co-leader	Event Is Sunday, December 1

Stewardship Season

As the harvest is gathered home, and we surround Thanksgiving tables; as the year comes to a close and the earth goes to sleep for the long winter; we find ourselves

with GLAD
and GENEROUS

You will be enriched in every way
to be generous in every way,
which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.
For the ministry of this service
is not only supplying the needs of the saints
but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.
2 Corinthians 9:11-12

Please prayerfully consider reflecting God's generosity and love for us by sharing the unique gifts that you and your household have received from God. Expect a mailing with more information and a pledge form. Adult forum discussions on generosity and stewardship are planned for November 10 & 17. Pledges will be received and blessed on faith commitment Sunday, Nov. 24.

WELCOME

Everyone is welcome. We are a faith community participating in the life of God, a life that is a gift to us and in which we are actively engaged. That gift compels us to be actively engaged in the neighborhoods of Northeast Minneapolis as well. We are a multigenerational community that proudly celebrates our history while joining together with younger generations to follow where God is leading. We build our community through faith practices like prayer, dwelling in the Word and hospitality.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. If you would like more information about Mt. Carmel, please contact us at 612-781-2796, or email pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available outside the sanctuary.

Welcome to the Lord's Table. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to you where you are seated if you require accessibility accommodation. Please inform the ushers. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. White grape juice is available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

Welcome to the Holy Baptism. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to receive Holy Baptism. Please visit with any worship leader, staff member, hospitality volunteer, contact the church office, or complete an information card, indicating that you wish to be baptized. Our pastor will contact you.

Friends of Mt. Carmel...Stay connected

Across the country and beyond there are many people who have a soft spot in their heart for Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church – people who feel a connection both to the history and the ongoing mission of this congregation. If you're one of them, we invite you to join a new network of Friends of Mt. Carmel. Email pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org for more information or to join.



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