

# ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Sunday, November 6, 2022 11:00 A.M.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Plain text indicates a part of the liturgy led by a worship leader. Bold text indicates the congregational response.

Hymn numbers refer to their corresponding pages in the back of the cranberry-colored Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal.

Welcome

**Prayer Requests** 

Prelude In paradisum arr. Gerald Near

> May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs receive you at your arrival and lead you to the holy city Jerusalem. May choirs of angels receive you and with Lazarus, who once was poor, may you have eternal rest.

### ENTRANCE RITE

We stand as we are able.

#### Litany

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. They cried out in a loud voice, saying:

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!

For All the Saints

Hymn 422

## Greeting

- 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.

Standing is the posture of the resurrection. We stand when we sing hymns and for other parts of the service as an expression of resurrection joy. It is a way of proclaiming that Jesus is powerfully alive! Colossians 3:14-18

The Gloria ("Glory to God...") is a continuation of resurrection praise. With the angels we sing God's glory revealed in Je-sus Christ. (Luke 2:14). Gloria



On this All Saints Sunday, we remember the "great cloud of witnesses" (Heb. 12:1) who have gone before us, especially those members of our congregation who have died since last All Saints Sunday.

The tradition of reading sacred scripture in worship is a tie to our roots in Judaism. 1 Timothy 4:13 reminds us of the importance of this practice.

The first lesson is normally from the Old Testament.

#### Thanksgiving for Departed Saints

P Let us remember all the saints before God.

We praise and bless you, O holy Trinity. You have taught your church that it is an ageless communion of saints. We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised, and now for adding us who celebrate the love of Christ for the redemption of the world. Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you. Help us remember them as an encouragement to saintly living, exciting us to love, in anticipation of an eternal reunion. With them we praise and bless you, O holy Trinity.

- C Amen
- P Jesus says, Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart,
- C and you will find rest for your souls.
- P For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.
- C And you will find rest for your souls.
- P O God, we remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you on earth, who now rest from their labors:

George Nathan Arthur George Andrew Kegley Barbara Scholz McLelland Janet Hartman Natt Missouri Lyerly Nelson Charlotte Mock Sieber Jonathan Chukwu Ugochukwu

Keep us in union with all your saints, and bring us with them to the joyous feast of heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

We are seated.



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Sermon

First Lesson: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

L A reading from Daniel.

<sup>1</sup>In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup>I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup> and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

- <sup>15</sup>As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup>I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup>"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup>But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."
- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

A psalm is spoken or sung in response to the first reading.

#### Psalm 149

We chant the Psalm responsively, with the congregation singing the **bold** verses..

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful. <sup>2</sup>Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

<sup>3</sup>Let them praise their maker's name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambou-rine and harp. <sup>4</sup>For the LORD takes pleasure in the people and adorns the poor with victory.

<sup>5</sup>Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph; let them sing for joy | on their beds. <sup>6</sup>Let the praises of God be | in their throat and a two-edged sword | in their hand,

7to wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples, 8to bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron,

<sup>9</sup>to inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. | Hallelujah!

The second reading, usually from the New Testament letters, bears the witness of the early church.

Second Lesson: Romans 3:19-28 L A reading from Romans.

<sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

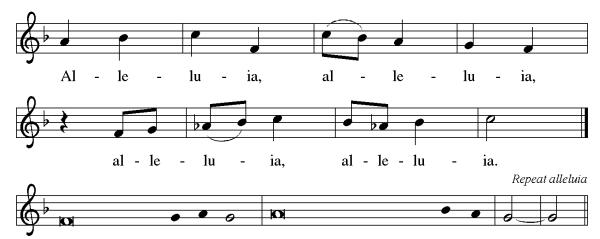
<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation is the congregation's response to the announcement and reading of the Holy Gospel. It gives special focus to the Gospel, the principal and climactic biblical reading in the liturgy.

We stand.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

The Liturgy of the Word culminates in the reading of the gospel and the sermon by which Christ comes among his people and speaks to us in our own context. Because of this we stand to listen to the good news of our Lord. The Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>20</sup>Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup>"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup>"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup>"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup>"Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup>"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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27"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

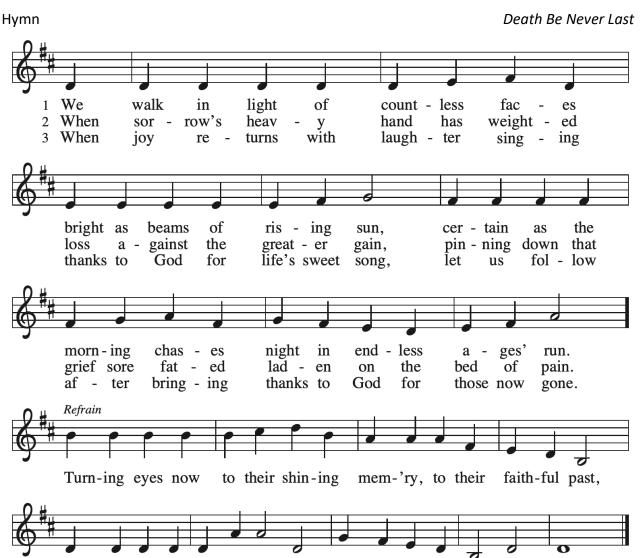
We sit.

Sermon

**Pastor James Armentrout** 

We stand as we are able and sing the hymn.

This hymn complements the day's scripture readings and sermon.



#### The Rite of Confirmation

P Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Allison Armentrout and Chisom Ugochukwu, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

death be now but nev - er

last.

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for this sister and brother, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism.

saints be now the truth di-vin - ing:

You have called them to yourself,

enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit,

and nourished them in the community of faith.

Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism,

and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.

We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

The confirmands respond:

I renounce them.

- P Do you believe in God the Father?
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C 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.
- P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- C 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.
- P You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,

to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,

to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,

and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

*The confirmands respond:* 

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

- P People of God, do you promise to support this brother and sister and pray for them in their life in Christ?
- C We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.
- P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in: Allison, Chisom

the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

- P Let us rejoice with this sister and brother in Christ.
- C We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.

  Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

We join our hearts in prayer as we pray for the Church, for the well-being of creation, for peace and justice, for those in need. 1 Timothy 2:1-2

Much more than a pleasant greeting—we do this to proclaim God's promise of peace.
2 Corinthians 13:11

Our gifts are received and dedicated to our Lord's service. These offerings support the ministries of this congregation, the Virginia Synod, ELCA, and our global mission partners.

The Prayers



Each petition concludes:

- P Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

## THE EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

The Peace

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

We greet one another, saying "Peace be with you."



Offertory Anthem

Lead, Kindly Light

Lead, Kindly Light, amidst th'encircling gloom
Lead Thou me on!
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead Thou me on!
Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
The distant scene; one step enough for me.

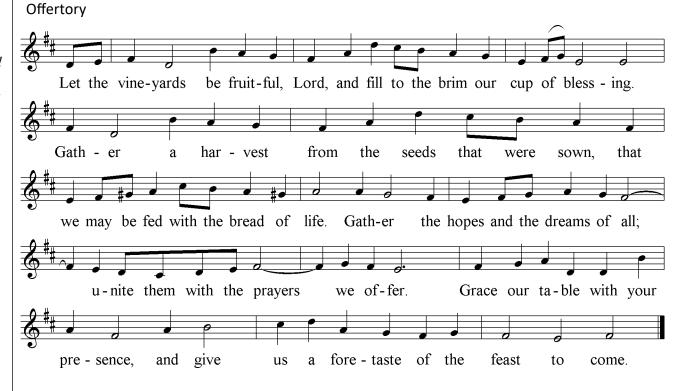
I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou Shouldst lead me on; I loved to choose and see my path; but now Lead Thou me on! I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears, Pride ruled my will. Remember not past years!

So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on.
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
The night is gone,
And with the morn those angel faces smile,
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile!

Lead Thou me on, to my God.

- text by John Henry Neumanm

As our gifts of offerings and tithes are brought forward we sing a canticle of thanksgiving for God's generous goodness.



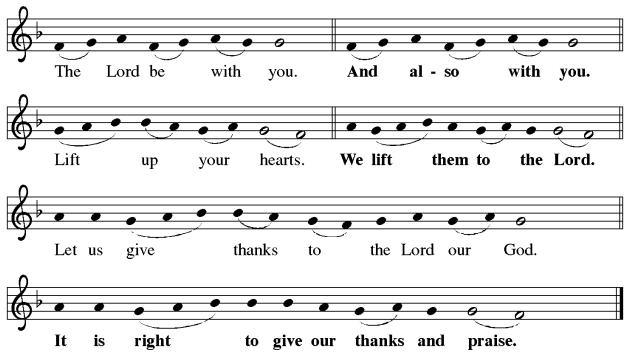
Our prayer is modeled after the Jewish prayer of thanksgiving and dedicates the giver to a stewardship of all life.

The Thanksgiving Dialogue begins the part of our worship called the Great Thanksgiving.

## Offertory Prayer

- P Let us pray. Gracious God,
- C in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen

## Thanksgiving Dialogue



The dialogue and the Proper Preface are ancient parts of the worship which proclaim our thanks for the gifts of God in the meal.

The Sanctus echoes the angels' cry in Isaiah 6:3 and the crowds of Mark 11:9 as Jesus entered Jerusalem. This reminds us that we are in the presence of a God identified both by holiness and humility.

The Eucharistic Prayer recalls God's saving acts throughout history and, particularly, the words and actions, the commands and promises of Jesus at the last supper with his disciples as recorded in scripture.

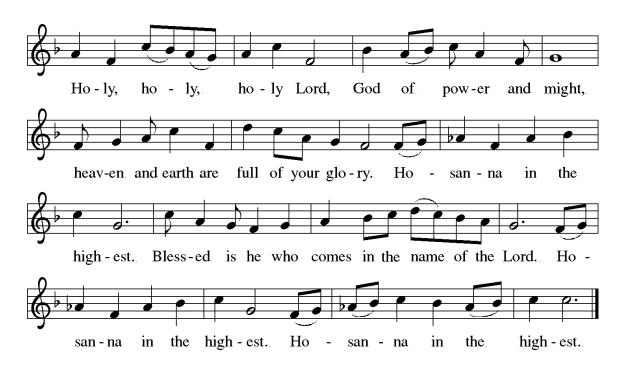
#### The Proper Preface

The presiding minister continues: "It is indeed right ..."

The proper preface concludes: "we praise your name and join their unending

hymn."

#### Sanctus



#### **Eucharistic Prayer**

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C Amen

The Lord's Prayer brings the Great Thanksgiving to a conclusion. Prayed here, this familiar and beloved prayer becomes the table-prayer of the congregation. Luke 11:1-13; Matthew 6:5-15

#### The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to 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

We are seated.



## COMMUNION WITH OUR RISEN LORD WELCOME TO CHRIST'S TABLE

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

We come forward by way of the center aisle, forming two lines to receive communion in front of the chancel steps. We return to our pews by way of the side aisles.



Once we have all received the sacrament and returned to our seats, we celebrate the personal encounter with the risen Christ through blessing, prayer, and singing.

#### **Post-Communion Blessing**

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen

#### Post-Communion Prayer

- P Let us pray. God of the abundant table,
- C you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.
  Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
  Amen

#### Blessing

- P God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace.
  And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.
- C Amen



We are dismissed from worship knowing that our service does not end. Rather, having been in the presence of the risen Lord, we leave so that our service may truly begin.

#### Dismissal

- P Go in peace loving God and loving your neighbor.
- C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

For All the Saints

arr. Paul Leddington Wright

This week at St. Mark's			
Sunday, November 6 All Saints Sunday	11AM	Worship with Holy Communion Confirmation of Allison Armentrout & Chisom Ugochukwu	
Monday, November 7	10AM	Bible Study	
	5PM—7PM	The Lion's Share open	
Tuesday, November 8	6:30PM	Church Council	
Wednesday, November 9	6:30PM	Choir rehearsal (Nave)	
Thursday, November 10			
Friday, November 11	10AM—noon	The Lion's Share open	
Saturday, November 12	8PM	NA meeting (Fellowship Hall)	
Sunday, November 13	11AM	Worship with Holy Communion	

SERVING IN WORSHIP				
	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>		
Greeter	Susan Ware			
Lector	Donna Abbott			
Communion Assistant	Patti Mills			
Coffee Hour	Gwynn & Don Derrick			



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