# AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

All Saints' Sunday November 3, 2024

# PRELUDE ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

# INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen

# CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (pg. 56 LBW)

*P:* 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.

# Congregation: Amen.

*P:* 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. Most merciful God,

ALL: 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.

*P:* 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.

Congregation: Amen.

# **OPENING HYMN**

# LBW #174 "For All the Saints" (Vs. 1-4)

# GREETING (pg. 57 LBW)

*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.

# KYRIE (pgs. 57-58 LBW)

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C: Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE (pgs. 60-61 LBW)

**Refrain:** This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,

whose blood set us free to be people of God. Refrain.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. Refrain. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. Refrain. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Refrain.

SALUTATION (pg. 62 LBW)

*P:* The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. *P:* Let us pray.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the body of 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 your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN

FIRST LESSON: Revelation 7:9-17

Pew Bible pg. 1291

Pew Bible pg. 1279

# **RESPONSIVE READING:** Psalm 149

L: Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

C: Let Israel rejoice in his maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.

- L: Let them praise his name in the dance; let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
- C: For the LORD takes pleasure in his people and adorns the poor with victory.
- L: Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them be joyful on their beds.
- C: Let the praises of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand;
- L: to wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples;

C: to bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron;

L: to inflict on them the judgment decreed; this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON: 1 John 3:1-3

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg. 62 LBW)

Congregation Sings: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:1-12

*P:* The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter. Congregation sings: Glory to you, O Lord.

*P: The Gospel of the Lord.* Congregation sings: Praise to you, O Christ. (Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

"Children of God"

Pastor Carl Rasmussen

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW #174 "For All the Saints" (Vs. 5-8) (Please rise as you are able)

## NICENE CREED

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 THE PEOPLE

L: Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

# REMEMBRANCE OF SAINTS

Phyllis Wright Marianna Wolters Elizabeth Page Bonnie Henderson John Schade Robert Flessner Dorothy Bunten Terri Garside Sandra Ackerman Darrel Meuser Ron Stonestreet

Mildred Flessner Ilene Ackerman Irene Galindo Michelle Tatar Janet Withers

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

# OFFERING

OFFERTORY (pg. 66 LBW) (Please rise) Congregation Sings: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (pg. 67 LBW) *P: Merciful Father*, **C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen** 

# GREAT THANKSGIVING (pgs. 68-69 LBW)

*P: The Lord be with you.* C: And also with you.

- *P: Lift up your hearts.* C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*P*: *It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:* 

C: Holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD (pg. 72 LBW) Congregation Sings: 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.

# SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING, CANTICLE & PRAYER (pgs. 72 LBW) (Please rise as you are able) Congregation sings: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

BENEDICTION

# **CLOSING HYMN**

LBW #176 "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

# DISMISSAL

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

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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"I love you, God, with all my heart and soul and might. Help me keep your words in my heart always."

#### **NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Shorty Baugher Dave Howe Family of Janet Withers

#### **CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Pen Pendleton	Denny Doyle	Pr. Barb Busboom	Rodney Larkin	
<b>Rich Friemel</b>	Geraldine Gorecki	Lee Briggs	Debbi Dietz	
Carla Adkins	Kim Wyre	Jessica Hawn	Earl Smith	
Cindy Williams	Gabbi Reynolds	Ben Moser	William Benton	
Steve Ritchie	Marla Osterbur	Sharon Lohen	Mary Mallicoat	
Bob & Jenny Hobby	Nick Shepherd	Michael Markarian	Joyce Keith	
Bob Selby	Merrill Wattjes	Joan Percival	Joyce Williamson	
NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:				
Keith Dohleman	Rita Buenting	Ruth Lutz	Joan Mathis	

Keith	Dohleman
Genet	Dixon

Ruth Lutz Dave Overholt Joan Mathis Loretta Overholt

#### MILITARY (Bolded names are known to be in an area of higher danger):

Joyce Higgins

Jon Stiebner	Alex Short	Brandon Elrod	Kasey Fenimore
Brian Griswold	Levi Loschen	Ryan Falletti	Riley Falletti

TABLE GUILD
ACOLYTES
BULLETIN GREETERS
GREETERS
LECTOR
PRAYER LEADER
WORSHIP STEWARD
USHERS

Sue Coffin, DeAnn McMorris Owen Schluter, Logan Suits Leon & Cheryl Freese Lois Madden, Earl Smith Dennis Albers Joyce Holland Midge Seim Emily Holland, Sam & Joyce Holland **WELCOME** to American Lutheran Church this All Saints' Sunday. Together with the faithful of every time and place, let us worship God.

**FLOWERS TODAY** are provided by *Pat & Christie Fiedler* in memory of their son, Devin's, birthday on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

**FLOWERS TODAY** are provided by *Karen Flessner* in memory of her and her husband, Robert's, 62<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary on November 4<sup>th</sup> and Roberts's 88<sup>th</sup> Birthday on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

**ANNUAL QUILT SALE** ends today. The quilts on display in the Sanctuary are available for purchase for \$35.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE & MEAL** is held each week with our time of fellowship and meal at 5:45 p.m. in the Youth Hall then move to the Chapel at 6:30 p.m. for our time of prayer. This time of prayer is devoted to all aspects related to the call of a pastor - praying for our call committee, congregation, Mission District Dean, the pastor (& family) to be called, and any other related needs as the call process continues. All are invited and welcome to attend!

**50+ POTLUCK** will NOT be held in the month of November. Please watch upcoming bulletins and newsletters for when this will resume.

**THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP DINNER** will be held on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. in the Confirmation/Bible Study Room and will be a catered meal including: turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, dressing, green beans, cranberry relish, rolls and pie. Cost is \$15 per person and needs to be paid to the church office or Lloyd Schluter by Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**ATTENTION WORSHIP ASSISTANTS** If you are unable to fulfill your worship assistant job on a particular Sunday, please try to find a replacement. Once a replacement is found, please contact the church office and let Nikki know of the change for the bulletin. Also, when you arrive on Sunday morning, please check-in with the worship steward that day and let them know you are there.

**BROADCAST/FLOWER CHART** If you would like to sponsor the weekly radio broadcast on WPXN, the cost is \$50. To provide flowers for Sunday, the cost is \$25. Please sign up on the appropriate chart outside the Narthex then notify the church office the details to print in the bulletin prior to that date.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for the fourth quarter (October-December) are still available to pick up in the Narthex and outside the church office.

**CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION** If you are a baptized believer, trusting that the life giving and sustaining power and presence of Christ is truly present in bread and wine, we welcome you to the Lord's table. Children who commune in their home congregations are welcome to commune; those who are not currently communing at the Lord's table are invited to come forward for a blessing keeping their hands to their sides. The center of each tray holds light colored, non-alcoholic juice for those with special circumstances. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request for those with allergies.

#### **UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE:**

November 10<sup>th</sup> – Neal White November 17<sup>th</sup> – TBA November 24<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Jay Johnson (Comm.)

#### **ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – 129

**STUDENT CLOTHING DONATIONS** We are again partnering with Northview Grade School collecting gently used clothing, and new socks, underwear and shoes for children ages K -  $5^{\text{th}}$  Grade (size 5T to Men's & Women's size small). A donation tub is in the Narthex.

# NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 119:1-8; Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-37

# THIS WEEK

#### Sunday, November 3

9:00 a.m. Worship Service10:00 a.m. Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

#### Monday, November 4

12:30 p.m. Quilting

#### Tuesday, November 5

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

#### Wednesday, November 6

1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Confirmation
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6:30 p.m. Prayer Service

#### Thursday, November 7

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

#### Sunday, November 10

9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

Radio Broadcast Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m. on WPXN 104.9FM

# Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of All Saints' Sunday

November 3, 2024 – November 9, 2024

Prayer: Almighty God, Heavenly Father, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the Body of Jesus Christ, our Lord: Grant us grace to follow your blesséd saints in lives of faithfulness and devotion, and to know the inexpressible joys which you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

#### Daily Lessons:

Sunday	1 Chronicles 21:1-30	Psalm 145	Acts 13:44-52
Monday	1 Chronicles 22:1-23:32	Psalm 146	Acts 14:1-18
Tuesday	1 Chronicles 24:1-31	Psalm 147	Acts 14:19-28
Wednesday	1 Chronicles 25:1-31	Psalm 148	Acts 15:1-21
Thursday	1 Chronicles 26:1-32	Psalm 149	Acts 15:22-29
Friday	1 Chronicles 27:1-34	Psalm 150	Acts 15:30-41
Saturday	1 Chronicles 28:1-21	Psalm 1	Acts 16:1-10

**Morning Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all danger and harm. We ask you to preserve and keep us, this day also, from all sin and evil, that in all our thoughts, words, and deeds we may serve and please you. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen

<u>**Mid-Day Prayer</u>** Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, your servants, with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, God forever. Amen</u>

**Evening Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen