



## ALL SAINTS DAY

November 2 & 5, 2025

### As We Gather

On All Saints' Day we rejoice that in Christ, the grave does not get the last word. The white-robed multitude in Revelation stands as a promise of the Last Day when the Lord raises our bodies, wipes every tear, and gathers His people around the throne. The faith given in Baptism makes us God's children now; the Lord's Supper feeds and sustains that faith until He comes. Today we welcome neighbors and friends to come home to Jesus and His Church—washed, fed, and sure of the resurrection.

### ✠ WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP ✠

Hymn                    Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones (LSB 670) *st. 1*

### Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Opening Sentences** *John 11:25–26; Job 19:25–27; Romans 14:7–8; Revelation 14:13*

**P** Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die.

**C** **For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!**

**P** For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

**C** And I heard a voice from heaven saying, “Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!”

## Confession and Absolution

*1 John 3:1–3; Matthew 5:12a*

**P** John wrote, “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” The devil, the world, and our sinful nature lead us to live lives that do not reflect this reality. Let us confess our sins to our heavenly Father.

Most merciful God and Father,

**C** We confess to You that our lives do not always reveal that we are really Your children and that You are our Father. We admit that we sin against You and others with our thoughts, words, and actions. In Your righteousness, forgive us and cleanse us from all our unrighteousness. Restore the joy of Your salvation to us and sustain us with a willing spirit. Amen.

**P** John reminds us, “Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is. And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.” In the mercy of our heavenly Father, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us and purifies us from all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and gives them the Holy Spirit. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven!

**C** Alleluia! Amen!

## WORD

### Introit

*Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b*

**P** These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

**C** They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

**P** In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me.

**C** For You are my rock and my fortress; and for Your name's sake You lead me and guide me.

**P** Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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## Kyrie

*LSB 204*

**C** Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

## Gloria in Excelsis

*LSB 204 (Sung)*

**C** 1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for adopting us as Your children as You have brought us to faith and have claimed and cleansed us in the waters of Baptism. Make us holy as You purify us by grace through faith. As You have called us to faith by Your Word, keep us in the one true faith by that same Word and feed us the forgiving body and blood of Christ at our Lord's Table, for You rule and reign as one God with the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## First Reading

*Revelation 7:13–17*

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his  
presence.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of living water,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*1 John 3:1–3*

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

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## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 5:1–12*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Hymn

For All the Saints (LSB 677) *sts. 1, 8*

# Sermon: Blessed, Washed, and Home: All Saints' Day Hope for You

*Revelation 7:13–17*

## Remembrance of Baptism

*Romans 6:3–4*

- P** In Holy Baptism, God's children are clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness, which covers all of our sins. Paul says: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"
- C** **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."**

## Commemoration of the Redeemed Children of God

- P** Today, with God's children throughout the Christian Church, we remember all those who remain God's children for eternity. We especially note this day those who have gone to the church triumphant during the days of this last year.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

- C** **Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You;**
- P** through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## Apostles' Creed (found on the back cover of hymnal)

- C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven ...**

## Prayer of the Church

## Remembering those who have gone before us

## Conclusion

### Prayer of the Church (Hear our prayer)

- P** ... Lord in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

### Offering

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (LSB 633) *sts. 1–2, 8*



## ✠ THE LORD'S SUPPER ✠

*We follow the liturgy on Pages 208-212 in the hymnal.*

### Preface

*LSB 208*

### Proper Preface

### Sanctus

*LSB 208*

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Lord's Prayer

### The Words of Our Lord

### Pax Domini

### Agnus Dei

*LSB 210*

### Distribution Hymns

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It (LSB 594) Melody 420  
Behold a Host, Arrayed in White (LSB 676)  
Jerusalem, My Happy Home (LSB 673)

*Sit*

### Lord's Supper Dismissal

- P** Now may this eating and drinking, of our Savior's precious body and blood, Strengthen you, preserve you, and keep you in the one true Christian faith that leads you to eternal life. Know in peace, and joy, that your sins are ✠ forgiven you.
- C** Amen.

## *Stand*

### **Sent Forth by God's Blessing (LSB 643)**

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing,  
Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended.  
O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching,  
Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving  
To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing,  
In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us,  
With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living  
With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.  
Text: Omer E. Westendorf, 1916–97, alt.

### **Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

*Hebrews 12:2*

### **Benediction**

### **Closing Hymn**

**The Church's One Foundation (LSB 644) sts. 1–2**

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