

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost - All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2026

PRELUDE

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Gathering

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another. *(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

Holy God,
**we confess that we have trusted in our preparation
instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.**

Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven. Blessed are you.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

ELW #423 - vs 1, 4

"Shall We Gather at the River"

- 1 Shall we gather at the river,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the throne of God?

**Refrain: Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.**

- 4 Soon we'll reach the shining river,
soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver
with the melody of peace.

Refrain

**Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.**

GIVING THANKS FOR NEW SAINTS BY BAPTISM

P: Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit." (John 3:5 - NRSV)

P: "In Baptism, God brings us into his family and calls his own." (From Luther's Small Catechism)

C: By baptism, God gives us the gifts of faith, love, life, forgiveness, and strength; and asks us to respond in faithfulness to him and in service to Others.

P: Today we give thanks for Ryann Marie Coone and Adalynne Diane Spanjers, received into the kingdom and family of Christ through Holy Baptism during the past year. Their families are invited to come forward and light a red votive candle in their honor, and in remembrance of their baptism. *(Bells, Candles)*

P: Let us all pray: P: Gracious Lord,

C: we thank you for the new birth and new life you give through Holy baptism. Continue to strengthen (First name of people baptized this year) and all those who are baptized with your Holy Spirit. Increase in us all your manifold gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE

We gather today to worship and give thanks to God for all the saints in light. We recall the witness they have shared with us even as we continue to walk the journey of faith.

God, we remember those saints in light who have gone before us;
We lament their passing,
And honor their legacy.
We give thanks for all we have learned from them.

Those who followed the way of Christ faithfully,
We follow their example.

Those who made mistakes along the way,

We learn from their experience.

Those who made progress for peace,

We continue their work.

Those who lived simply and quietly,

We are enlightened by them.

Those who gained honor and distinction without pride,

We are humbled by them.

Those who were martyred for their faith,

We commend them to your care.

They have finished their work on earth,

And it lives on,

Reverberating into our lives now

As the work of Christ lives on.

May the peace of Christ continue to inspire us

To good works, humility, simplicity and peacemaking,

As those foremothers and forefathers were inspired by him

To live in grace and love. Amen.

HONORING AND REMEMBERING

We remember those of Trinity Lutheran Church who have died since the last All Saints' Day.

As we read their names, a bell is tolled, and a candle is lighted.

And those who have passed on to join the saints in heaven: Cindy Fritz, Vernon Butch Larson, Mary Rivard, Judith Rock, Tye Liddy, Randy Erickson, Oliver Cadwell, Charlie Gillis, Margaret Beranek, Cheryl Sobotkka...

People gathered today may also come forward and light a candle in remembrance of a loved one who died this past year.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Word

BIBLE READING

Revelations 7:9-17

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PSALM

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**I will glory in the LORD;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.

**Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

**The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

**O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW #646- vs. 1, 2 "The Peace of The Lord"

- 1 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord
the peace of the risen Lord Jesus:
the peace of the Lord is for you and for me,
and also for all of God's children.
The peace of the Lord is for you and for me,
and also for all of God's children.

- 2 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord,
the peace of the risen Lord Jesus:
the peace of the Lord is among us right now,
so open yourselves to receive it.
The peace of the Lord is among us right now,
so open yourselves to receive it.

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

SERMON

Pastor Donald

HYMN OF DAY

ELW #428- vs. 1, 2, 4 “Give Thanks for Saints”

1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm
when all around seems bleak:
on God's good promise they rely,
so while they live and when they die
how forcefully they speak—
the strong, who once were weak!

2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear,
beyond mere mortal sight:
who seek the city God has planned,
the true, eternal promised land,
and steer on toward that light,
a beacon ever bright.

4 Give thanks for saints of ages past
and saints alive today:
though often by this world despised,
their hearts by God are richly prized.
Give thanks that we may say
we share their pilgrim way.

APOSTLES' CREED

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.**

Meal

OFFERING & HYMN ELW #427- vs. 1, 2, 4 “For All Your Saints O Lord”

- 1 For all your saints, O Lord,
who strove in you to live,
who followed you, obeyed, adored,
our grateful hymn receive.
- 2 For all your saints, O Lord,
who strove in you to die,
who counted you their great reward,
accept our thankful cry.
- 4 For this, your name we bless
and humbly pray anew
that we like them in holiness
may live and die in you.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER and HOLY, HOLY *p.281-282* *(Dave - p. 144)*

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION & HYMN

ELW #421 "By All Your Saints"- vs. 1, 2, last

- 1 By all your saints still striving,
for all your saints at rest,
your holy name, O Jesus,
forevermore be blessed!
For you arose victorious
that they might wear the crown
and share the light of glory
reflected from your throne.
- 2 Apostles, prophets, martyrs,
and all the noble throng
who wear the spotless raiment
and raise the ceaseless song
for these passed on before us,
we sing our praise anew
and, walking in their footsteps,
would live our lives for you.
- 3 Give praise to God Almighty,
and worship God the Son,
and sing to God the Spirit,
eternal Three in One,
till all the ransomed number
fall down before the throne,
and honor, pow'r, and glory
ascribe to God alone.

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured,
and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence,
now and forever. Amen.

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(signing up for committees....)*

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. *(sign of the cross)*
 The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ELW #669 - vs. 2, 3, 5 "Rise Up, O Saints of God"

- 2 Speak out, O saints of God!
 Despair engulfs earth's frame;
 as heirs of God's baptismal grace,
 the word of hope proclaim.
- 3 Rise up, O saints of God!
 The kingdom's task embrace;
 redress sin's cruel consequence;
 give justice larger place.
- 5 Commit your hearts to seek
 the paths which Christ has trod;
 and, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r,
 rise up, O saints of God!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.