

The Festival of All Saints *Live Knowing Life Only Gets Better*

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church | Jordan, Minnesota

November 3, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service, we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer him our worship and praise. We also assemble to hear God's holy and powerful word and celebrate his life-giving sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him.

TODAY'S THEME

"It will get better." We say that to try to comfort someone who is having a bad day (or maybe a whole string of bad days). Perhaps tomorrow will be better. But perhaps it's worse. In this life, there really are no guarantees that things will get better. That isn't the case with the life that is to come. That life isn't just going to be better. It will be perfect. Since the seventh century, Christians have marked a day to celebrate those who have died in faith and now realize the perfect joys of heaven. It is called "All Saints' Day." We thank God for bringing our Christin loved ones out of the troubles and turmoil of this world and into eternal bliss and glory. And we ask God to preserve us in our faith so that we might one day join the saints in that place where life is far more than better.

CLOSE COMMUNION

Following the guidance of Scripture, we invite those who are members of this congregation or one of our sister WELS congregations to join us as we celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning. Those who are members of other church bodies are asked to speak with the pastor before attending the Lord's Supper. With this practice, it is not our intent to judge hearts, but to remain faithful to the truth of God's Word. Thank you for respecting our practice regarding the Lord's Supper.

Pastor	.Jeremy	Glowicki
Organist	Lois Z	ander

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession

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If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just

and will forgive us our sins

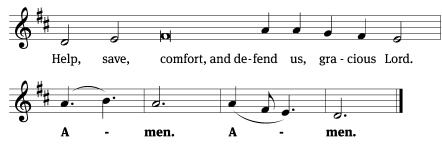
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord. Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Lord, Have Mercy CW 190 In peace let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. O For the peace from above and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord. have Lord, mer cy. O For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the un - it - y of all, let us pray to the Lord. have Lord, mer - cy. Ø this holy house and for all who offer here their For wor-ship and

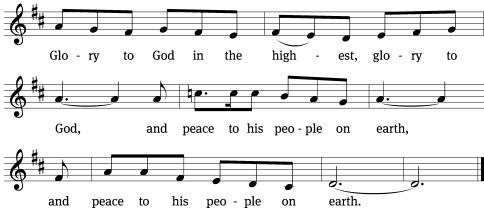


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The Word

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together into one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow the example of your blessed saints in lives of faith and willing service and with them at last inherit the inexpressible joys that 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.**

Be seated

First Reading

The Lord Almighty promises his saints, all those who trust in him, that he will destroy the shroud of death.

On this mountain the LORD of Armies will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of aged wines, with the best cuts of meat, and with the finest wines. On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that covers all peoples, the burial cloth stretched over all nations. He has swallowed up death forever! The LORD God will wipe away the tears from every face. He will take away the shame of his people throughout the earth. For the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said, "Look, here is our God! We waited for him, and he saved us! This is the LORD! We waited for him. Let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation!"

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

149A Sing to the LORD, Sing a New Song

Psalm 149A

Second Reading

Revelation 20:4-6

St. John sees those who had been killed because of their faith in Christ now living and reigning with him in glory.

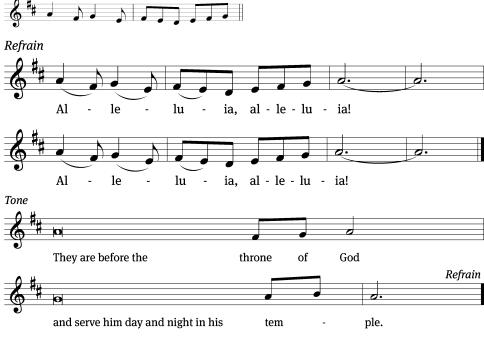
Then I saw thrones, and those who were sitting on them were given the authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshipped the beast and his image, and they did not receive his mark on their forehead and on their hand. They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. (The rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years came to an end.) This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is the one who has a share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them. Instead they will be priests of God and of Christ. And they will reign with him for a thousand years.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Revelation 7:15



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Gospel

John 11:32-44

Jesus demonstrates his power over death.

When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and troubled. He asked, "Where have you laid him?" They told him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus wept. Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Jesus was deeply moved again as he came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. "Take away the stone," he said. Martha, the dead man's sister, told him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, because it has been four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you

that you heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." After he said this, he shouted with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The man who had died came out with his feet and his hands bound with strips of linen and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus told them, "Loose him and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

A Responsive Reading of Scripture and the Names of Those Who Have Entered Eternal Rest

I am resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; **And whoever lives and believes in me will never die.** (John 11:25-26) Eugene Elmer Carlson (96) November 15, 2023

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. (Colossians 3:1-2) Raymond Gerhard Fuhrman (97) December 10, 2023

I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. **And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God.** (*Job 19:25-26*) John Paul Krajewski (88) December 30, 2023

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes in him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned;

He has crossed over from death to life.(John 5:24)Mary Ann Oldenburg(83)February 10, 2024

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. **Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness.** (2 *Timothy 4:7-8*) Clyde Thomas Bandy (88) March 1, 2024 For none of us lives to himself alone and none of us dies to himself alone. If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord.

So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. (*Romans 14:7-8*) Rudolph Fahrenkamp (92) March 19, 2024

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.. I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise. (Luke 23:42-43) Arlene Ruth Jabs (98) October 9, 2024

Be seated

880 For All the Saints

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Sermon

Stand

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Offering

During the offering, please fill out the Friendship Register in the pew and pass it down to those sitting next to you.

The Sacrament

Stand

Preface



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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in blessing his saints of the past has given us assurance and hope that, following their example, we may run the race marked out for us and receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

0 Ó ly Lord God of Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho hosts, full, full of your heav - en and earth are glo ry. ho - san - na in the high Но - san na, est. --Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Но ho - san - na in the high - est. san na, -Ho san ho - san - na in the high est. na, -Tune: David Kauffman; William Gokelman

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

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We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.**

Lamb of God



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Be seated

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883 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

884 Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See

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Stickers from the $\mathbf{3}^{\mathrm{rd}}$ and $\mathbf{4}^{\mathrm{th}}$ grade Foundations Class

The class invites you to grab a sticker with a message from the Bible that you can use to brighten your day. Put it on your water bottle you take to work to keep God's Word and promises on your mind.

Joint Reformation Service

Today, November 3rd at 3 p.m. at the Chapel of the Christ on the campus of Martin Luther College, we give thanks for the blessings handed down to us in the Lutheran Reformation. Seminary Professor Robert Wendland will preach this year and a joint choir from the Mankato and River Valley Conferences will enhance our worship with song.

Advent by Candlelight—Save the Date!

It's never too early to mark your calendar for this important event! St Paul Lutheran will be holding an Advent by Candlelight for all women of the congregation, and their female family members, friends, and neighbors, on December 1st at 5:00pm in the fellowship hall. There is no charge for this event. This is a wonderful evening of Word, music, and fellowship to help you prepare your hearts for the Advent season before the holidays get into full swing!

We also need women of the congregation to decorate tables for this event, information about decorating is on the table in the gathering area. If you choose to decorate a table or not; ALL women are invited to participate in this evening of preparation. If you are new to the congregation or have never attended before, this is a great quiet way to meet other women and focus on Christ.

Children's Church Volunteers

-Spend the sermon with children ages 1-5 whose parents would like a chance to listen to the sermon uninterrupted.

-At Pastor's cue, meet children at the back of church as the sermon is about to begin. -Take the kids upstairs to the childcare room to play, read stories, color pictures and listen to music while their parents stay to listen to the sermon (supplies will be available with no prep work needed). -You'll be able to have the sermon on in the background on a TV located in the childcare room. Thank you for considering! If you'd like to talk more about the plan, the childcare room, or your availability, please speak with Katie Zander, Angela or Jeremy Kalal.

Learn More About the Bible!

Join us for a Bible study simply called "The Bible". What is the Bible? How did we get it? What errors are there swirling around about the Bible? Class meets in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting is Thursday, November 7th at 6:30 pm.

Council Meeting

The next council meeting is November 12th, at 6:30 pm.

Help Support a Seminary Student

Please note that a donation box has been put out to help a student at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary studying to be a pastor in our Synod. The Seminary distributes our gift to a student who has need. Checks should be made out to St. Paul Lutheran Church, or you can give online using the fund "Seminary Student Support."

SERVING THE LORD

		Acolytes	Ushers	Media Booth	Organist
11/3	9 Am	Greta Newton	4	Cooper Kalal	Lois Zander
11/10	9 A M	Greta Newton	1	(Need Volunteer)	Lois Zander
11/17	9 A M	(Need Volunteer)	2	(Need Volunteer)	-

November Altar Guild	November Cleaners
Angela Ambroz/Nancy Stocker/Brenda Stocker	Carlstroms
November Counters	Fall Service Group Leader
-	Dianne Jabs
December Altar Guild	
Dianne Jabs/Lynn Sorenson	

Attendance		Gifts To Our Lord		
Sunday	98		Received	Neede
Monday	8	Current	\$1763	\$3834
Total	106	Online Giving	\$1216	
		Total	\$2979	\$3834



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