

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY November 3, 2024

Welcome to Worship

We are an intentionally inclusive community proclaiming a warm welcome to people of every race, nationality, gender, sexual identity, age and ability into all aspects of our church life. ~ Faith Lutheran Church



All Saints' Day is a universal festival of the Church. This festival day directs our attention to the richness of Christian history and the varied experiences of the grace of God by lifting up the lives of the saints.

The custom of commemorating all the martyrs of the Church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints' Day celebrates not only the martyrs and saints, but all the people of God,

living and dead, who together form the mystical body of Christ.

Today we will remember those who have died and entered the church triumphant in our prayers today, and we give thanks for their lives. We remember and find strength in their faith and the faith of all the saints both known to us and known only to God.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Wayfaring Stranger

THE SACRED HARP, 1844 ARR. STEPHEN CARACCIOLO+

I am a poor wayfaring stranger awand'ring though this world of woe, But there's no sickness, toil or danger in that bright land to which I go. I'm goin' there to see my father, I'm goin' there no more to roam. I'm only goin' over Jordan; I'm only goin' over home.

I'll soon be free from every trial; my soul shall rest upon that shore; I'll drop the cross of self-denial, and enter on my great reward. I'm goin' there to see my brothers, they've gone before me, one by one; I'm only goin' over Jordan; I'm only goin' over home.

I know dark clouds will gather 'round me, I know my way is rough and steep; Yet beauteous fields lie just before me, where God's redeemed their vigils keep. I'm goin' there to see my mother; she said she'd meet me when I come; I'm only goin' over Jordan; I'm only goin' over home.

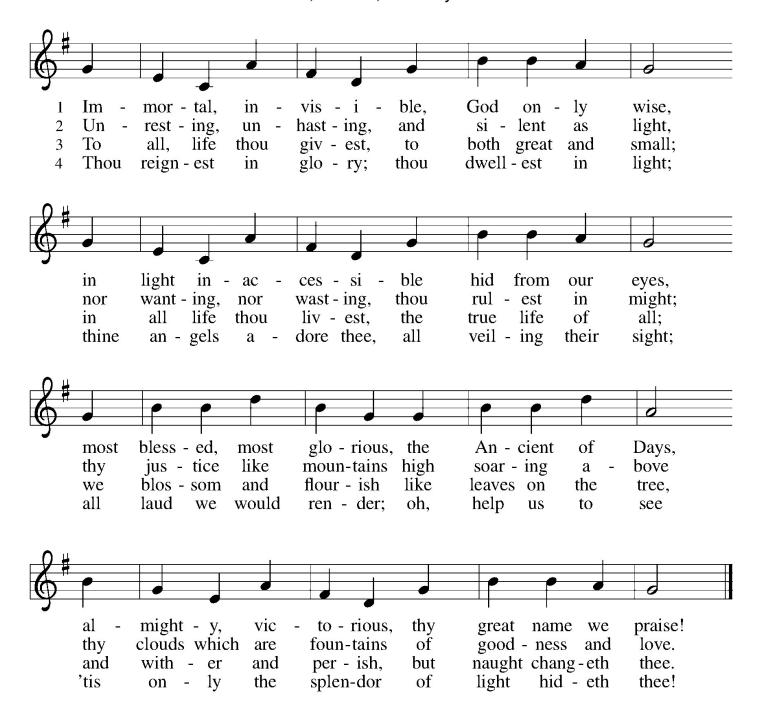
I am a poor wayfaring stranger awand'ring though this world of woe, But there's no sickness, toil or danger in that bright land to which I go. I'm goin' there to see my savior, I'll sing his praise for evermore! I'm only goin' over Jordan; I'm only goin' over home.

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

C: Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

- P: Blessing by the Holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, saves, and sends us with love that lives forever.
- P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we give thanks for the Great Exchange,, the mercy and forgiveness that wrap our true selves in sacred belonging and purpose.
- C: Thanks be to God
- P: We give thanks the gift of holy baptism, which declared there are no more godforsaken places, and nothing can separates us from the love of God in Jesus. For Christ is risen!
- C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!



GREETING

- P: Christ has called us to this place, gathered one and all by the Holy Spirit.
- C: As followers of Christ, we learn to love and live to serve.
- 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

DIALOGUE FOR ALL SAINTS

- P: Praise the Lord, all you saints!
- C: Praise him all you heavenly hosts!
- P: Let us praise the name of the Lord:
- C: For his name only is exalted!
- P: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob:
- C: Isaiah, Jeremiah and all you Prophets!
- P: Miriam, Ruth and Naomi:
- C: Elizabeth, Mary and all you Holy Women!
- P: Matthew, Mark and Luke:
- C: James and John and all you Evangelists and Apostles!
- P: Stephen, Thomas, Peter and Paul:
- C: Philip, Bartholomew and all you Holy Martyrs!
- P: Praise the Lord!
- C: O praise the name of the Lord!
- P: These are the saints whose robes are washed clean in the blood of the Lamb.
- C: Praise the Lord!
- P: We are the saints who are the living body of Christ, the Church.
- C: Praise the Lord! O praise the name of the Lord!
- P: On this day, we pray for all the saints among us and for all the saints who have gone before us.

Almighty and everlasting God, through your only begotten and beloved Son, Jesus Christ, you will sanctify your beloved children. Give us grace to follow their faith, hope, and love, that we, together with all your saints, may obtain eternal life. We lift up to you now those you have gone before us and reside in the church triumphant.

- P: O God, you show forth your almighty power by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures of Christ. May your people of faith live with the witness of the beloved saints and live into the forgiveness and daily sainthood given in baptism, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.
- C: Amen

ANTHEM

Bright Morning Stars
JOHN HUSHAGEN, SOLOIST

TRADITIONAL APPALACHIAN SONG ARR. SHAWN KIRCHNER+

Bright morning stars are rising; Day's a-breaking in my soul.
Oh, where are our dear fathers? They are down in the valley praying;
Oh where are our dear mothers? They have gone to heaven shouting;
Oh where are our dear children? They're upon the earth a-dancing;
Bright morning stars are rising; Day's a-breaking in my soul.

FIRST READING

Psalm 24

¹The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it; ²for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers. ³Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? ⁴Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully. ⁵They will receive blessing from the LORD, and vindication from the God of their salvation. ⁶Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

⁷Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. ⁸Who is the King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle. ⁹Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. ¹⁰Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. R: The word of the Lord **C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

John 11:32-44

³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always

hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

R: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON PASTOR MARY LINDBERG

HYMN OF THE DAY 422

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

(Music on back page of the bulletin)

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

R: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PEACE

P: Peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

P: Trusting in the sure promises of Christ,

And grateful for the Spirit's sustaining power, Let us bring our tithes and offerings to God.

OFFERTORY God's Time Is Best JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Holy God,

the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: We come to this holy meal filled with a bundle of emotions. While our gratitude for this family of faith is plentiful, our pain still may be suffocating us at weeks, months, years, or decades after the death of our beloved.

Our pews are a little lighter. Our homes are a little quieter. Our hearts know the gaping hole resulting from our loss.

Even as the void consumes this day-to-day living, we come here looking for hope that we can find only in you, O Christ. Through this meal, we connect the past and present together, knowing that generation after generation has come to this table in their joy and grief. God, we pray that this feast be one that fills our souls with comfort. That brings us hope as we are bestowed forgiveness and everlasting life through Christ.

Holy Spirit bless this bread and cup. Holy Spirit bless us as we celebrate at the peaks of life and as we abide in the shadow-filled valleys. Holy Spirit bring us the peace that will permeate our grief-coated hearts. Holy Spirit use this time and space to remind us that we are never alone in our difficult spaces.

With his friends, Jesus shared his last communion before death. The group recognized the sacred in their gathering and celebrated their friendship and their community of faith.

One more time, Jesus took the bread and blessed and gave it to his disciples saying, "This is my body broken for you. Whenever you eat this bread, remember me." In his breaking of the bread, Jesus yearned for them to remember his teachings and their times together. In the breaking of this bread, we are given Christ's promise of everlasting life.

One more time, after supper, Jesus took the cup and blessed it as well. He have it to his disciples saying, "This cup is the new testament in my blood, shed for you and for the forgiveness of sin. Whenever you drink of this cup, remember me." In his grasping of the cup, Jesus yearned for his followers to recall their times together. In the pouring of this cup we are given Christ's full forgiveness.

As we join together for this meal, let us remember with gratitude our loved ones who once ate at this table and many other tables with us. While they no longer abide with us here today, help us to recognize that they are a part of the great cloud of witnesses, celebrating eternity with our Creator.

We remember Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, as we await his coming in glory.

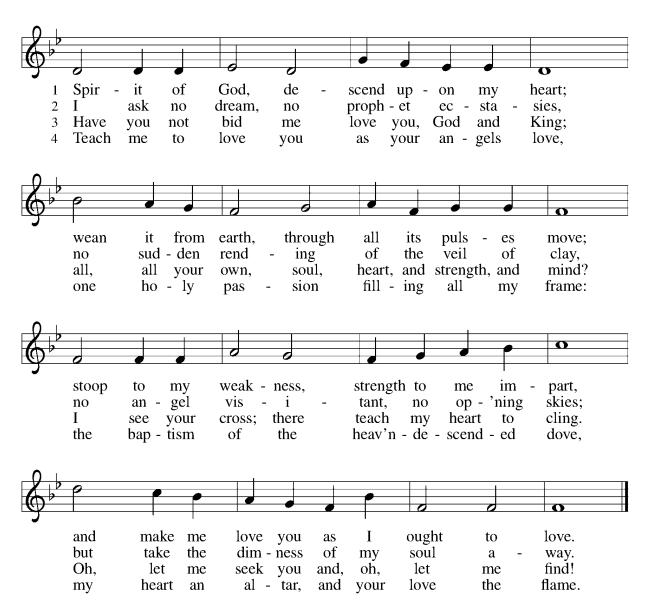
Let us pray the prayer our Lord has taught us...

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.



Text: George Croly, 1780-1860

Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–189

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace now and forever, Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Jesus, Bread of life,

we have received from your table

more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal,

now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray.

C: Amen.



Text: J. Athelstan Riley, 1858–1945

Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Köln, 1623
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BLESSING

P: God, the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life, + bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.

C: **Amen**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace

SPIRITUAL, ARR. MOSES HOGAN+

We shall walk through the valley in peace.
For Jesus himself will be our leader.
We will meet our loved ones there...
There will be no trials there...

SENDING

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Upcoming Budget Meetings

<u>Budget Forums</u> Sunday, November 24 & Sunday, December 1 after worship

<u>Annual Meeting</u> Sunday. December 8 after worship



Scripture Passages For Next Sunday:

Psalm 146:5-10 Mark 12:38-44 Pastor Mary Lindberg

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Preaching & Presiding: Pastor Mary Lundberg

Music: David Buice; Chancel Choir

Reader: Linda Mihalov

Ushers: John and Jean Bergo

Zoom Host: Kathy Brandstetter

Video Tech: Rick Brandstetter

Altar Guild: Marilyn Anderson

Fellowship: Debbie and Mark Strom

*Worship Notes: This morning's music celebrates those who have gone before us, the traditional imagery reflecting the anticipation of reunion with loved ones and the release of cares and limitations.

The hymn **For All the Saints** was originally sung to the hymn tune SARUM by Joseph Barnby; Ralph Vaughn-Williams' hymn tune **SINE NOMINE** ("without a name") has been the preferred setting since its first appearance in the **English Hymnal** of 1906.

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PACKING LUNCHES

Beginning September 8th, Faith volunteers have gathered monthly to make sack lunches for the enhanced shelter at The Oaks in Shoreline. The Oaks provides safe and stable 24/7 shelter and services for 60 residents to effectively address the challenges preventing long-term housing stability.

In less than 90 minutes, we build 40 sack lunches, including sandwiches, chips, fruit, and homemade cookies. One volunteer then drops off the lunches to The Oaks. So far, 20 different volunteers have signed up!

For each lunch build, we need:

- 3 cookie bakers (40 cookies/baker)
- 6-8 lunch builders
- One delivery driver to The Oaks at 16357 Aurora Ave N

Future dates:

Sun 11/10 -- volunteer positions filled (thank you!)

Fri 12/6 at 9:30am -- delivery driver needed and perhaps 1 more volunteer for building lunches

Fri 1/10 at 9:30am -- volunteers welcome for baking, building, delivering

Sat 2/8 at 9:30am -- volunteers welcome for all jobs

Sun 3/9 at 10:45am -- volunteers welcome for all jobs

Other than the cookies, all supplies are provided by Faith, utilizing funds from an Outreach bequest. There are no special skills needed -- if you can wash your hands and wear gloves, you've met the participation threshold.

Please join the Lunch Bunch as we learn to love and live to serve. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Cyndi Musar cmusar@comcast.net.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

Watch your email for daily Advent Reflections written by Faith members. (Starting December 1)

If you are on our weekly email list you will automatically get them. If you want to be on our weekly email list let the office know.

There is still time to sign up and write a reflection—only 7 spots left. Contact Misi at the office or follow this link to see what passages are available and to sign up.

There will also be hard copies mailed out to our homebound members and a few out in the Narthex.

Thank you to all those who make this possible!



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 Choose which fund and fill out the rest.

