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Welcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

May God bless your worship with us today,
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***Compelled by the Love of Christ to Live,
Learn, Share, and Serve'***

*Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of
Christian faith in our community, to all
generations, wherever they may be'*

A Time of Preparation

Prelude

"The Sound of the Saints"

Oh, I love to hear the song of creation, the wind and the rhythm of the rain.

Oh, the thunder it speaks of Your power,
but there's something in the sound of the saints

I've been washed in the roar of the ocean, found peace in the echoes of a cave,
And the trees of the field they clap their hands,
But there's something in the sound of the saints

From the lips of those You saved, a redemption song will rise
With a sound so full it cracks the sky!

Whoa, we sing hallelujah! Whoa, we sing amen!
Hear the sound of the saints as we march onto Zion,
Singing alleluia, amen! Singing alleluia, amen!

I will hear the chorus of the angels, forever a symphony of praise.
I long to hear the voice of my Savior, and He hears us: the sound of the saints.

From the lips of those You saved, a redemption song will rise
Ev'ry tongue, ev'ry tribe, hear the Church, Your bride.

Whoa, we sing hallelujah! Whoa, we sing amen!
Hear the sound of the saints as we march onto Zion,
Singing alleluia, amen! Singing alleluia, amen! Whoa, whoa,

Our hearts will rise. Our song shall be Jesus Christ, our Savior King forever!
Our hearts will rise. The saints will sing
Of Jesus Christ, our Savior King forever, forever!

Whoa, we sing hallelujah! Whoa, we sing amen.
Hear the sound of the saints as we march onto Zion,
Singing alleluia, amen, alleluia, amen!

Whoa, we sing hallelujah! Whoa, we sing amen!
Hear the sound of the saints as we march onto Zion,
Singing alleluia, amen! Singing alleluia, amen!
Alleluia, amen

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Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship

Opening Song

“Who I Am”

I stand in front of the mirror But I don't like who's looking back at me
Wish I could see things clearer Like who I'm supposed to be
In every trial lift me higher Through the fire hold me tighter
Remind me again that I was made for more

Who I am in the eyes of the Father Who I am His love set free
Who I was I left at the altar I am Yours Lord I believe

It's who I am I'm a child of the most-high God
And the most-high God's for me
It's who I am I'm a child of the most-high God
And the most-high God's for me

Everything has been changing You haven't left a stone unturned
Anything I've been facing I'll keep standing on Your word
In the water take me under Fill my lungs to speak Your wonder
You brought me out of the darkness I was made for more

Who I am in the eyes of the Father Who I am His love set free
Who I was I left at the altar I am Yours Lord I believe

It's who I am I'm a child of the most-high God
And the most-high God's for me
It's who I am I'm a child of the most-high God
And the most-high God's for me

You gave up everything for me to have everything
For all of eternity a song in my lungs to sing

You gave up everything for me to have everything
For all of eternity a song in my lungs to sing

I'm a child of the most-high God And the most-high God's for me
I'm a child of the most-high God And the most-high God's for me

It's who I am in the eyes of the Father Who I am His love set free
Who I was I left at the altar I am Yours Lord I believe

It's who I am I'm a child of the most-high God
And the most-high God's for me

It's who I am I'm a child of the most-high God
And the most-high God's for me

I'm a child of the most-high God And the most-high God's for me
I'm a child of the most-high God And the most-high God's for me

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Confession and Forgiveness

Song of Praise

“Holy Forever”

A thousand generations falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who've gone before us
And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Your name is the highest Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy Holy forever

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name

Sing the song forever to the Lamb
We'll sing the song forever and amen

And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy Holy forever
Hear Your people sing Holy To the King of Kings Holy
You will always be Holy Holy forever

Your name is the highest Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy Holy forever
You will always be Holy Holy forever

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First Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I 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." ¹⁵"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. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For 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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-3

¹ 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. ² 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. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

¹ Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² 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 Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Message Song

"Child Of Love"

I was walking the wayside Lost on a lonely road
I was chasing the high life Try'n to satisfy my soul

All the lies I believed in Left me crying like the rain
Then I saw lightning from heaven And I've never been the same

I'm gonna climb a mountain I'm gonna shout about it
I am a child of love I found a world of freedom
I found a friend in Jesus I am a child of love

I've felt the sting of the fire But I saw You in the flames
Just when I thought it was over You broke me out of the grave

I'm gonna climb a mountain I'm gonna shout about it
I am a child of love I found a world of freedom
I found a friend in Jesus I am a child of love

Yeah yeah oh

I am a child of love Yeah oh

I am a child of love

Nothing can change the way You love me Nothing can change the way

I belong to You Yes I do. Nothing can separate

Nothing can change the way You love me Nothing can change the way

I belong to You Yes I do. Nothing can separate

I'm gonna climb a mountain I am a child of love
I found a world of freedom I am a child of love

I'm gonna climb a mountain I'm gonna shout about it
I am a child of love I found a world of freedom
I found a friend in Jesus I am a child of love

Oh yeah oh I am a child of love

I am a child of love

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Message

“True Identity”

Offering

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Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

- ☐ Holy Scripture says in Psalm 116:15: “Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.” On this All Saints’ Day, we remember and give thanks and praise to God for the life and for the death of His saints. We rejoice with those who rejoice, and that includes rejoicing with those whose happiness now knows no end in the kingdom of glory. During the past year, families in our congregation and our extended church family have been impacted greatly by the death of ones we love. As those who trust in Jesus Christ, we do not grieve as the rest of the world grieves. We grieve in hope, we pray with confidence, and we live with certainty that those who have died in Christ are secure in His presence. We also rejoice that one day we shall join them in their heavenly joy, which knows no end.

We honor the life and give thanks to God for these His saints:

Donald Burke – January 8, 1938 – December 8, 2023

Wendy Churchill – March 17, 1943 – December 26, 2023

Jack Owens – June 25, 1940 – December 28, 2023

Richard Kukuk – May 29, 1939 – January 1, 2024

Wilbert Hines – November 4, 1931, - January 23, 2024

Robert Arnold – January 7, 1939 – January 24, 2024

Wayne Southworth – January 28, 2024

Arthur Ketelhut – June 19, 1931 – February 5, 2024

Bruce Williamson – April 20, 2024

Ramon Kuczera – September 13, 1938 – July 17, 2024

Darren Radulski – July 23, 2024

Phillip Tepatti – November 7, 1926 – August 7, 2024

Donna Steiss – October 26, 1945 – August 30, 2024

Jerry Mason – August 5, 1943 – August 31, 2024

William Schmidt – December 19, 1933 – October 4, 2024

P.....and all others dear to our hearts who have entered into everlasting rest with the Lord Jesus. Let us pray. Merciful Father, whose dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victoriously over death and the grave, we remember with thanksgiving Your faithful people who have trusted in Christ, whose tears are gone, and whose sorrows You have turned to joy. We humbly implore You to strengthen us in the confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Commemoration Song

“Well Done”

What will it be like when my pain is gone
And all the worries of this world just fade away
What will it be like when You call my name
In that moment when I see You face to face

I'm waiting my whole life to hear You say
Well done well done My good and faithful one
Welcome to the place where you belong
Well done well done My beloved child
You have run the race and now you're home
Welcome to the place where you belong

What will it be like when tears are washed away
And every broken thing will finally be made whole
What will it be like when I come into Your glory
Standing in the presence of a love so beautiful

I'm waiting my whole life for that day
I will live my life to hear you say
Well done well done My good and faithful one
Welcome to the place where you belong
Well done well done My beloved child
You have run the race and now you're home
Welcome to the place where you belong
What will it be like when I hear that sound

All of heaven's angels crying out
Singing holy holy Holy are You Lord
Singing holy holy Holy are You Lord
Singing holy holy Holy are You Lord

I'm waiting my whole life for that day
Until then I'll live to hear You say

Well done well done My good and faithful one
Welcome to the place where you belong
Well done well done My beloved child
You have run the race and now you're home
Welcome to the place where you belong ... Well done

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Prayer of the Church

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.

Blessing

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

☩ Amen.

Sending Song

“Echoes (Till We See the Other Side)”

We will sing we will dance Till the earth echoes the heavens
Sing His praise till we see the other side
'Cause we belong to the light When the night is at its darkest
Just hold on for the dawn will soon arrive

Can you feel the winds are changing There's a new day on the rise
And the atmosphere is breaking As the new world comes to life
So we will sing we will dance Till the earth echoes the heavens
Sing His praise till we see the other side

Whoa whoa Whoa whoa
Whoa whoa Whoa whoa

Can you feel the winds are changing There's a new day on the rise
And the atmosphere is breaking As the new world comes to life
So we will sing we will dance Till the earth echoes the heavens
Sing His praise till we see the other side

Whoa whoa Whoa whoa

I've got a feeling The darkness won't last very long
I've got a feeling The darkness won't last very long
I've got a feeling The darkness won't last very long
I've got a feeling The darkness won't last very long

Whoa whoa Whoa whoa

Let a sleeping world awaken There's a new day on the rise
And the enemy is shaking As the graveyards spring to life
Let a sleeping world awaken There's a new day on the rise
And the enemy is shaking As the graveyards spring to life

So we will sing we will dance Till the earth echoes the heavens
Sing His praise till we see the other side

So we will sing we will dance Till the earth echoes the heavens
Sing His praise till we see the other side

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