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Welcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Traditional 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.

Today's service includes the Lord's Supper. If you are a first-time visitor and wish to receive Holy Communion, please speak with one of our Elders or myself prior to service .

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

9:00 - Traditional

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

Prelude - Praise Team

"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 and Sharing of the Peace

Opening Song

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones” *LSB 670*

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: “Alleluia!”
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow’rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels’ choirs: “Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises: “Alleluia!”
Thou bearer of the_ eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord: “Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
“Alleluia, alleluia!”
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song: “Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing: “Alleluia, alleluia!”
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One: “Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

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Invocation

LSB 151

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Confession and Forgiveness

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

G **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination

P Most merciful God,

G **we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

G Amen.

Service of the Word

P I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

G **I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.**

P I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;

G **with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.**

P For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever;

G **in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness."**

P You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one;

G **I have sworn to David my servant:**

P 'I will establish your offspring forever,

C and build your throne for all generations.”

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.

Lord, Have Mercy - *Sung*

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let
us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

Hymn of Praise *Sung*

LSB 155

C This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy
is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people
of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are
His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing
with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing,
honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is
the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb
who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory
for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray together...

C Lord Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, cleanse us by the power of
Your redeeming blood that in purity and peace we may worship and
adore Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After 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, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And 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, ¹² saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴ 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." 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. ¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷ 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."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **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.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia *Sung*

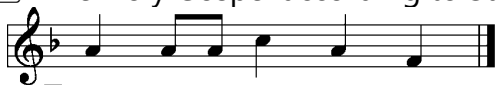
LSB 156

G **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

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



G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Matthew 5:1-12 English Standard Version

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.

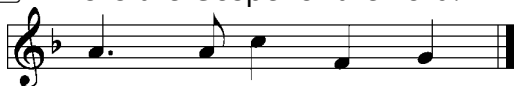
⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

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.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message

Message Song

"For All the Saints" LSB 677 vs. 1,2,3

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;

Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Message

“True Identity”

Offering

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Offering Song - Sung

LSB 159

- ☞ What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

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 Hymn - Praise Team

“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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Nicene Creed

☞ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \times of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**
- P** It is truly good, right, and proper ... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord – *(Sung)*

LSB 161

- C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

- P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.**

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 162

The Peace of the Lord

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Lamb of God - Sung

LSB 163

G Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution of the Holy Sacrament

The Lord gave this Holy Sacrament to His Church so that His followers might receive His love and forgiveness in a visible, tangible way. When the Church celebrates this Sacrament, believers are also making a public declaration of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 11:26). Holy Communion is offered every Sunday at St. John Lutheran, but because it is possible to receive the Lord's Supper to one's detriment (1 Cor. 11:27-29), we ask all who wish to partake of it to examine themselves as follows:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinner and therefore deserve God's punishment?
2. Am I truly sorry that by my sins I have offended God?
3. Do I believe that God accepts the death of Jesus as payment for my sins and therefore forgives my sins for Jesus' sake alone and not because of any goodness or effort on my part?
4. Do I intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to turn from my sins?
5. Do I seek to forgive others as God has forgiven me?
6. Do I believe Christ's own Word that His body and blood are truly given and received in and with the bread and wine (Matt. 26:26-28)?

If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and can answer "yes" to the above questions, you are invited to receive Holy Communion with the assurance of all the blessings Scripture promises.

Distribution Song

"For All the Saints" LSB 677, vs 4-8

Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!

We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;

Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,

Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,

And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;

Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;

Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:

The saints triumphant rise in bright array;

The King of Glory passes on His way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

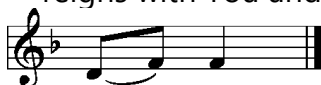
Post-Communion Song *Sung*

LSB 164

C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls
His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of
thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Prayer

A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Blessing

LSB 166

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.



C A - men.

Closing Song

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home" *LSB 673, vs 1,2,5 & 6*

Jerusalem, my happy home,
When shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?
O happy harbor of the saints,
O sweet and pleasant soil!

In thee no sorrow may be found,
No grief, no care, no toil.

Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there
Around my Savior stand;
And soon my friends in Christ below
Will join the glorious band.

O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare
For that bright home of love
That I may see Thee and adore
With all Thy saints above.

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