

All Saints' Sunday
November 1, 2026
9:30 a.m.

**** Please Stand*** *(as you are able) at the parts of the liturgy marked with an asterisk* *******
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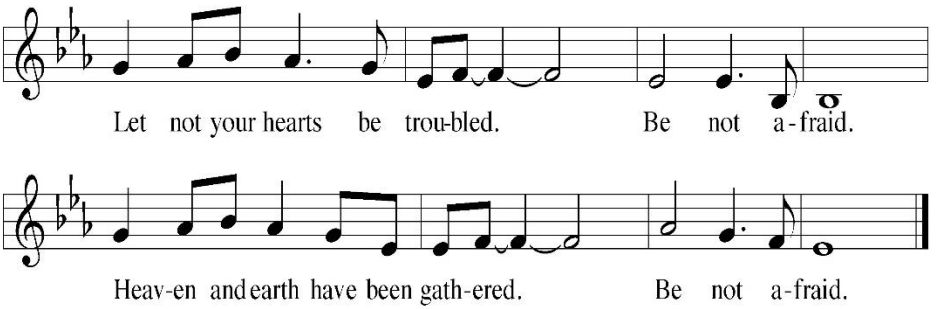
Gather

Silence is awkward for some because it's a space where you are being asked to do NOTHING, firing yourself from being the one to make things happen, letting God assume that role.

WELCOME

SILENCE

OPENING HYMN **Let Not Your Hearts Be Troubled**
SP #23



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In baptism, what happened in Christ, happens today – we die and rise anew and so we begin in these promises!

*** THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C Amen.

P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.
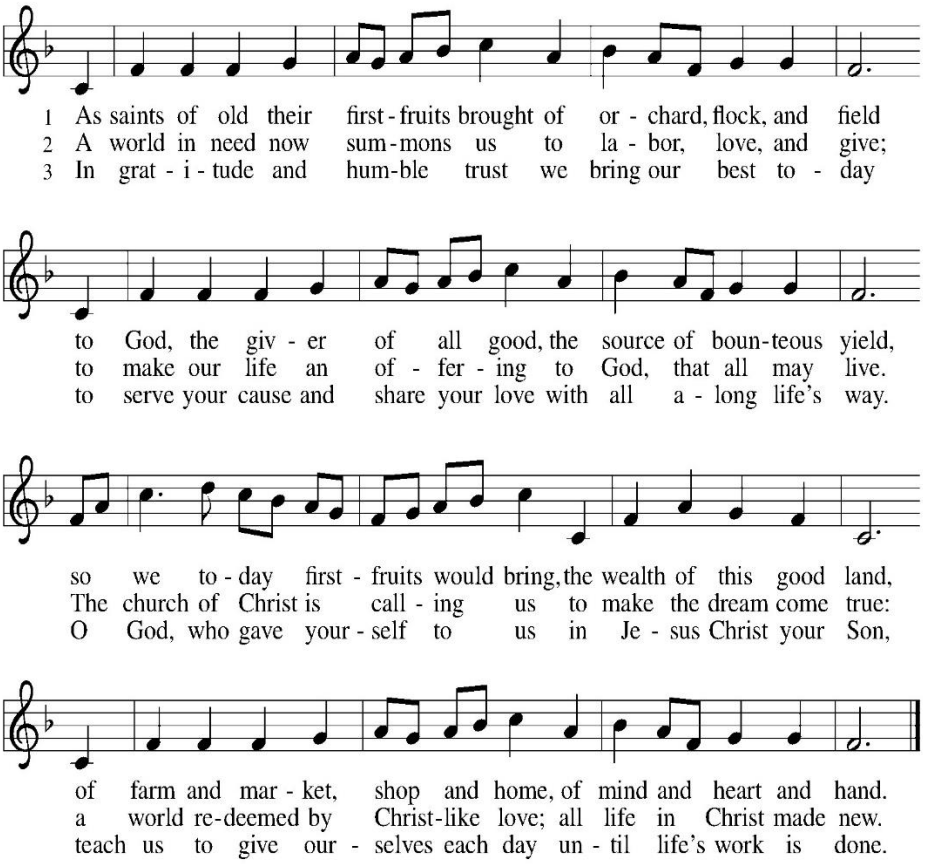
To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

* GATHERING HYMN

As Saints of Old

Hymn #695



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Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune
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We are a community that gives God's gifts to one another.
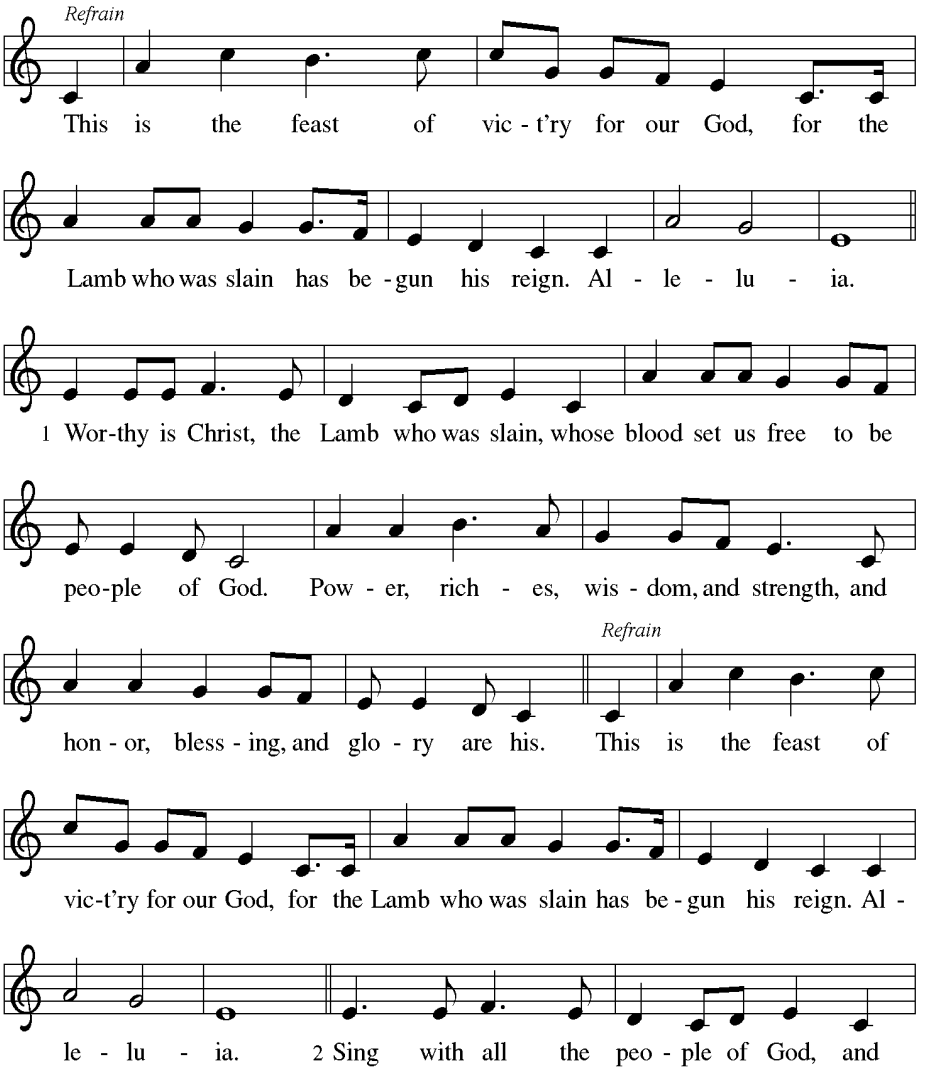
We are people who circle around the slain and outcast lambs of the world.

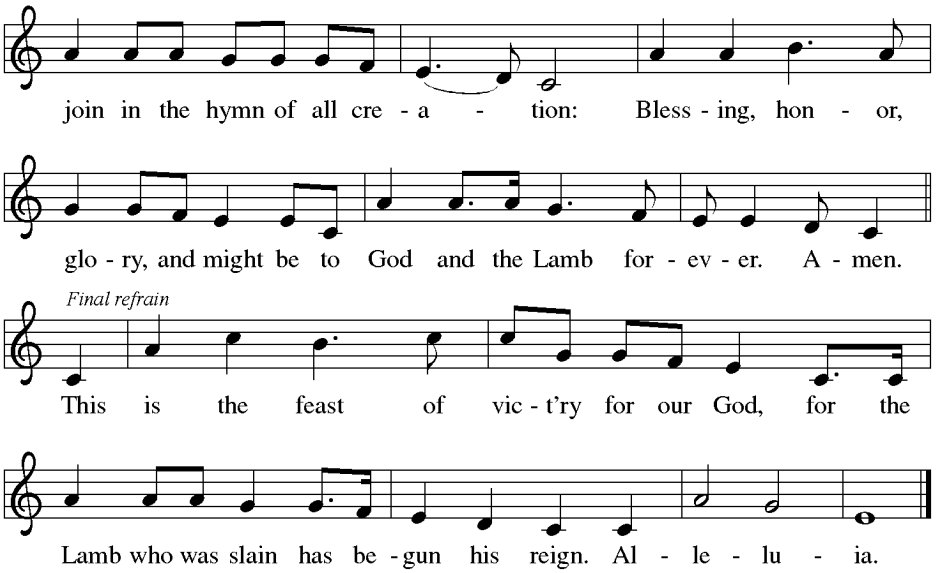
*** GREETING**

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

*** CANTICLE OF PRAISE**





*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

This prayer collects up the themes from today's scriptures.

P 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

C Amen.

CHILDREN'S STORY

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Every age and every race, all are covered by God's Grace. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

After the story, children ages 3yr-5th grade are invited to go to Sunday School. They will return in time for the Lord's Prayer.

Word

Think of the readings as listening in to an age-old, holy conversation.

The first reading echoes the themes of today's gospel.

FIRST READING

L A reading from Revelation.

7:9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that
no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples
and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb,
robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out
in a loud voice, saying,
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and
to the Lamb!"
11 And all the angels stood 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 singing,
"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, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said
to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me,
"These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they
have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of
the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God and
worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is
seated on the throne will shelter them. 16 They will hunger no more
and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching
heat, 17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their
shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

The Psalm echoes the first reading.

L Let us pray Psalm 34 responsively.

1 I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
2 **I will glory in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.
4 **I sought the LORD, who answered me**
and delivered me from all my terrors.
5 Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 **I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me**
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those
who fear the LORD and delivers them.
8 **Taste and see that the LORD is good;**
happy are they who take refuge in God!
9 Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
10 **The lions are in want and suffer hunger,**
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
22 O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Glory 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.

During Pentecost season, the lectionary chooses an Epistle and reads through it. Sometimes it connects to the other readings, sometimes less so.

SECOND READING

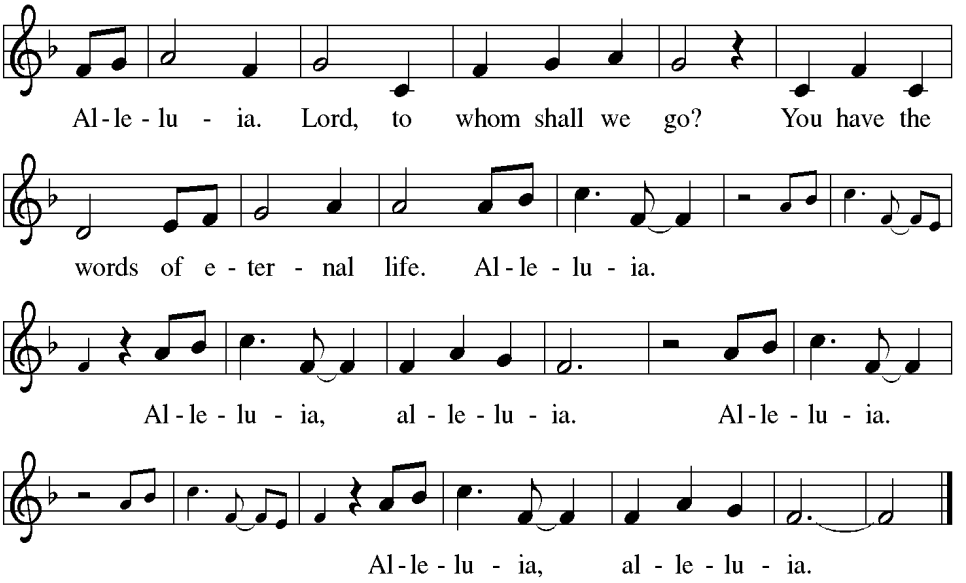
L A reading from 1 John.

3:1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be
called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the
world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we
are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been
revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be
like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who have this hope in
him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

L Word of God, word of life.
C Thanks be to God.

We stand to welcome Christ; present in this Word

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



*** GOSPEL READING**

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
C Glory to you, O Lord.

5:1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain,
and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he
began to speak 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 will be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness, for they will be filled.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called
children of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of
righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 "Blessed are you when people 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 in the same way they persecuted the prophets
who were before you."

P The Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Rev. Bekki Lohrmann
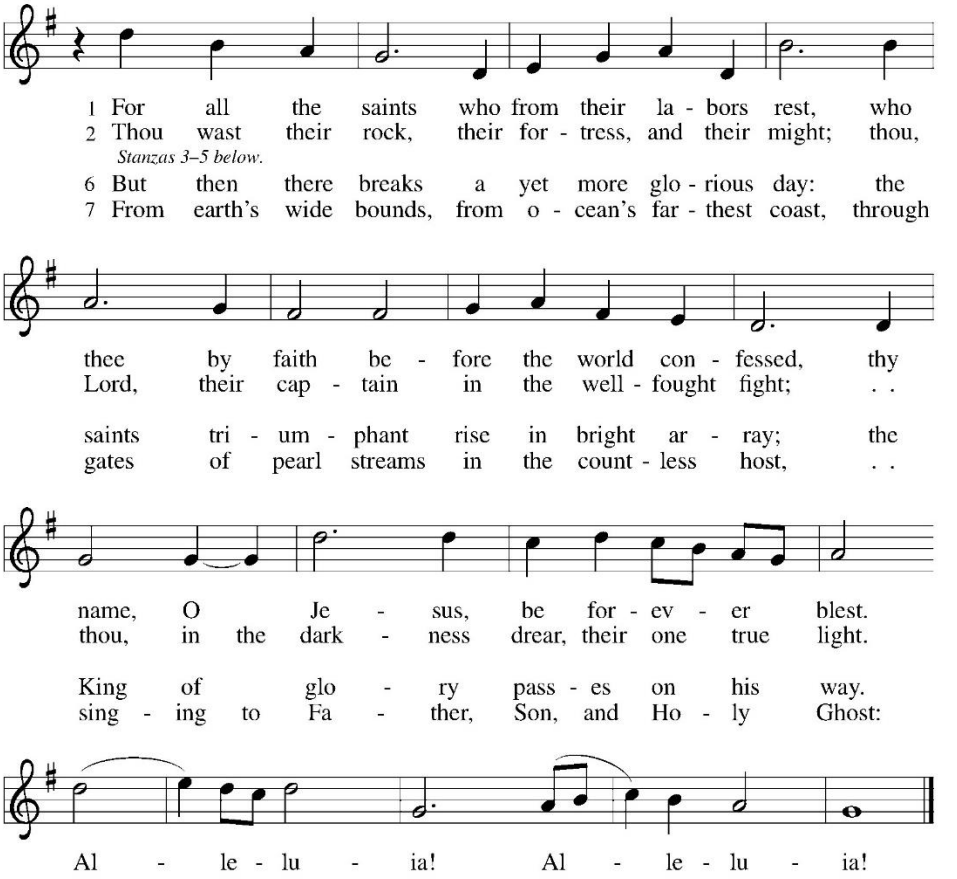
The Gospel text is the heart of our worship together each week.

What part of *you* does this sermon touch or stir?

The assembly becomes the preacher; God's word is proclaimed in our song.

*** HYMN OF THE DAY**

For All the Saints
Hymn #422 (v. 1, 2, 6)



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Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
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*** APOSTLES' CREED**

C 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.

The creed isn't a litmus test for your individual faith, it's a collection of the great mysteries of our collective faith.

*** PRAYERS**

After each petition, D … Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

D Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ.
C Amen.

Community thickens as *your* prayer becomes *our* prayer.

*** PEACE**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.
C And also with you.

Reach across the aisle and share peace.

Meal

God gathers our gifts to be scattered. Your gifts become the ministries of our church.

"Lift up your heart"; leave it vulnerable and exposed to a loving God.

Meals are best accompanied by family stories. This prayer tells our story.

OFFERTORY *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

*** OFFERING PRAYER**

D Let us pray. God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

*** GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 our thanks and praise.

*** THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*** THE 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.**

Christ's prayer becomes our prayer.

P The gifts of God, for the people of God.

C **Thanks be to God.**

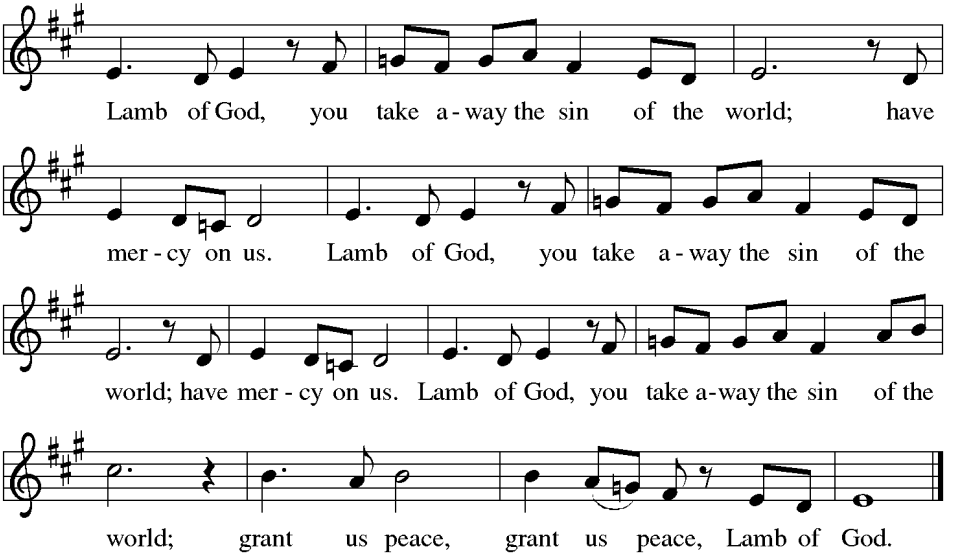
COMMUNION Christ bids you welcome to this Holy meal!

This is Christ's table, it is not our own. All are welcome. The usher will direct you to enter by the center aisle. Receive the bread from the pastor, ask for Gluten Free if needed. Receive wine (red) or grape juice (white) from the communion assistants. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

In this meal we become Christ's body, poured out and broken for the life of the whole world. All are welcome.

Christ takes away sin by refusing to perpetuate the cycle of violence and vengeance.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMNS

#628 Jerusalem, My Happy Home
#428 Give Thanks for Saints

*** BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

Sending

Our community spans beyond those here gathered.
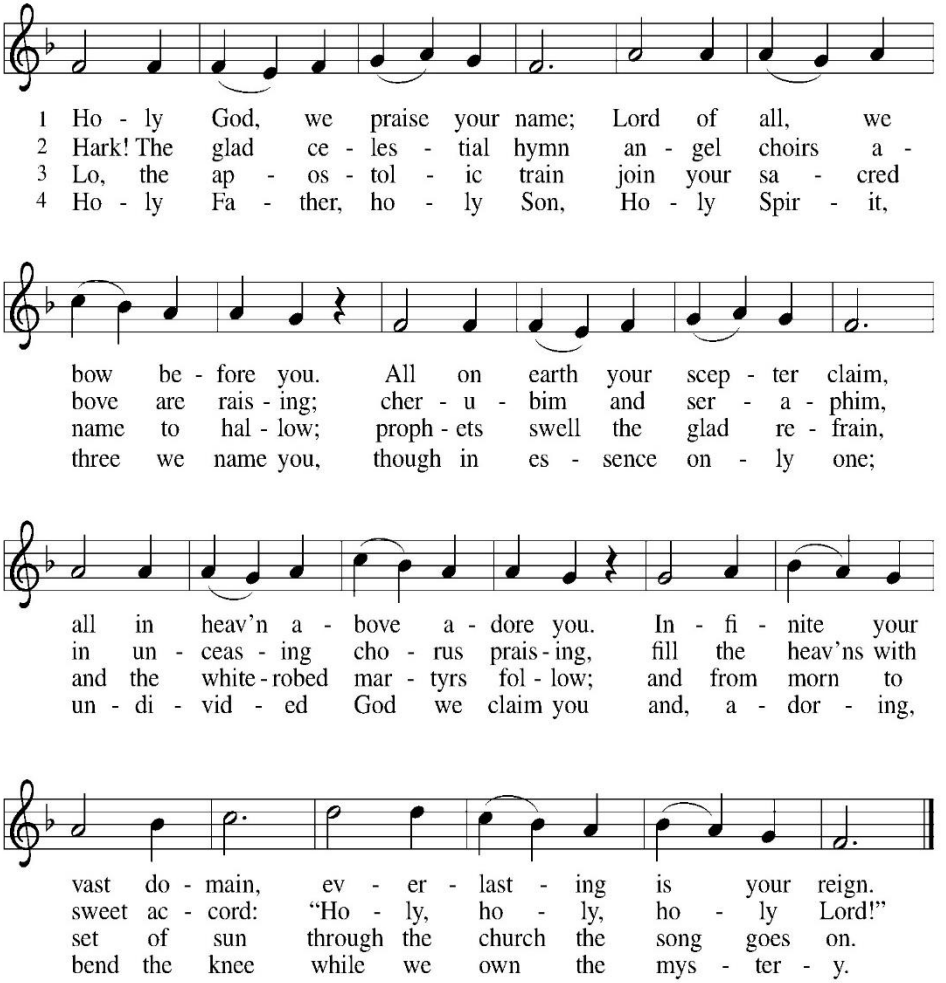
*** BLESSING**

P Boundless God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, deepen your faith and bless you with a wide welcome which you then extend to others.

C Amen.

*** SENDING HYMN** **Holy God, We Praise Your Name**

Hymn #414



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Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

Worship points us out towards the world around us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** DISMISSAL**

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

POSTLUDE *When the Saints*

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SCRIPTURES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Reflections for Sunday, 11-01-2026, All Saints' Sunday

- **Daily:** Psalm 5
- **Monday:** Jeremiah 5:18-31; 1 Thessalonians 2:13-20
- **Tuesday:** Lamentations 2:13-17; Acts 13:1-12
- **Wednesday:** Proverbs 16:21-33; Matthew 15:1-9

Preparation for Sunday, 11-08-2026, The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

- **Daily:** Psalm 70
- **Thursday:** Amos 1:1-2:5; Revelation 8:6-9:12
- **Friday:** Amos 3:1-12; Revelation 9:13-21
- **Saturday:** Amos 4:6-13; Matthew 24:1-14

Scripture for Sunday, 11-08-2026, The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

- **The First Reading:** Amos 5:18-24
- **The Psalm:** Psalm 70
- **The Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- **The Holy Gospel:** Matthew 25:1-13

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IN OUR PRAYERS

We keep the following members of St. Peter's in our prayers:
Jo, Darlene Th., Elaine, Lauren G.

Our homebound members and those in care facilities:
Keith, Carolyn, Diane B., Carmell, Dante, Diane S.

Our members with on-going concerns:
Ann Z., Babette, Carlos, Lora, Lily, Patty L.

Our military, police, fire fighters, first responders, healthcare providers, and all who work for peace.

WELCOME TO ST. PETER'S BY THE SEA

We are glad that you have come to worship with us today! Please sign a WELCOME card found in the pew rack, and give it to an usher or drop it in the offering plate. Large-print bulletins and children's bulletins are available from an usher. You will find hand sanitizer in the pew rack for your use during the service.

ALTAR FLOWERS & SUNDAY HOSPITATLITY: Today, the flowers at the altar are given by Bob & Sue Fode in honor of remembrance of family. We thank the coffee angels for the coffee fellowship after the service.

ALL SAINTS' REMEMBRANCE BOOK: You're invited to write the names of those who have died in the past year in the book of remembrance.

FIRST FRIDAYS at TACO: Join us at 8:30 a.m. the first Friday of the month to serve a meal at TACO, located at First Lutheran Church downtown at 3rd and Ash Streets.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY: Next Sunday, you're invited to return your Deeper and Wider Building Campaign Commitment Card during the worship service.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES: Ask an usher if you'd like to use a device during the worship service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meets during the worship service, with the exception of the last Sunday of the month. If you're interested in serving as a Sunday School teacher, we'd love to have you. Speak with Jennifer Smart or Pastor Bekki.

2026 ALTAR FLOWER sponsor calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. There is a suggested donation of $45 to sponsor altar flowers and you may take the flowers home with you after the worship service.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Sponsors are needed for coffee hour; speak with Betty Wells for information on "how to" or options to assist.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED TO LOAVES & FISHES: and a special thank-you to Bob & Sue Fode for delivering the food each week! Four generous trunkful's were delivered to Loaves & Fishes and $752 was collected in October, making our year-to-date financial contribution to Loaves & Fishes (OBEF) $8,644

TRUNK-OR-TREAT was a success, despite the threat of rain. Thank you to all who came out to celebrate with our community!

The Week Beginning November 1, 2026

Sunday, November 1	***All Saints' Sunday***
8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m.	**Worship Service, live-streamed; Sunday School**
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship
7:00 p.m.	Al-Anon – *Sunday Night Courage to Change*
Monday, November 2	
Tuesday, November 3	
9:30 a.m.	Church Mice and Prayer Shawl Ministry
11:30 a.m.	Preschool Chapel
12:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting
4:00 p.m.	AA Meeting – *Sobriety Seekers*
Wednesday, November 4	
2:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting
Thursday, November 5	
5:30 p.m.	NA Meeting – *Eleven-11*
Friday, November 6	
8:30 a.m.	Serve at TACO
11:30 a.m.	Preschool Chapel
Saturday, November 7	
Sunday, November 8	***The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost***
	Commitment Sunday
8:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m.	**Worship Service, live-streamed; Sunday School**
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship
10:45 a.m.	Christian Service Team
7:00 p.m.	Al-Anon – *Sunday Night Courage to Change*

Worship Leadership

Pastor:	Rev. Rebekkah D. Lohrmann
Music Minister:	Joe DeMers
Altar Care:	Jim Grutkowski
Worship Assistant:	Congregation Deacon Steve Silva
Lector:	Rosemary Sutter
Ushers:	Rosemary Sutter and Valerie Zucker
Greeter:	Sandie Boelter
Acolyte:	Avelia Bochen Goldstein
Sunday School:	Colleen Doering and Hannah Zimmermann
Digital Production Team:	Lyle Boelter, Charles Lauger, John Smart

2026 Congregation Council

Greg Lommen, President; Jennifer Smart, Vice-President; Allison Crews, Secretary; Ellen Schmeding, Treasurer; Gabi Hughes, Chance McGinley-Kase, Fletcher Miller, and Steve Silva.

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