

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Jackson, Minnesota

All Saints' Day

Observed

November 5, 2023

Welcome to this Divine Service. We gather in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Please sign the attendance card in pew and place in offering plate.

Communion Policy: In the Lord's Supper, the Risen Christ gives us His true Body & Blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. As we participate in the Lord's Supper we declare doctrinal unity. Therefore we ask guests who are not members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church to speak with Pastor before communing with us.

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Hymn

"For All the Saints"

677 vv. 1-3

Remembrance of Our Faithful Departed

- As we gather in joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before the Lord those from among our midst who have gone before us in faith and all those who are in our hearts and minds today.
- + Marilyn D Ailts +
- P [Jesus said:] "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,
- **and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.**" (John 11:25-26)
- + Debra Ann Sundahl +
- P [Jesus said:] "I am the way, and the truth, and the life.
- No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)
- + Mark Albert Oeltjenbruns +
- P [Jesus said:] "You will be sorrowful,
- **©** but your sorrow will turn into joy." (John 16:20b)
- + Greg Charles Geesman +
- P But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name,
- **C** he gave the right to become children of God. (John 1:12)
- + Lorna Mae Nielsen+
- P [Jesus said:] "Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life,

- **C** and I will raise him up on the last day." (John 6:54)
- P Let us pray: Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen

Confession and Absolution

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Introit

Ps. 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b

- P These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.
- **C** They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- P In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;
- **C** in your righteousness deliver me.
- **P** For you are my rock and my fortress;
- and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.
- **P** Into your hand I commit my spirit;
- you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God. 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.
- P 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.

Kyrie 152-3

Hymn of Praise

"This Is the Feast"

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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- P The Lord be with you. C (sung) And also with you.
- Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C (sung) Amen.

First Reading

Revelation 7:9-17 ESV

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, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 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, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" 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.

"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.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

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."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Revelation 7:14b; Ps. 84:5

- **P** 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.
- **P** Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,
- **C** in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Epistle

1 John 3:1-3 ESV

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. 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. And

everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

St. Matthew 5:1-12 ESV

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

C (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

- "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
- "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
- "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
- "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
- "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
- "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 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** (sung) Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed 158

Hymn "For All the Saints" 677 vv. 4-6

Sermon "Now and Not Yet" St. Matthew 5:1-12

Prayer of the Church

Carol Kolander, Linda Shiets, Brent Baumann (Steve Milbrath's brother-inlaw), Carson Pohlman, Pam Kemp, Irene Montgomery, Kathy Miller (Neil's, Susan's, and Patti's sister-in-law), Ken Temple, Karen Temple, Diann Johnson (Bernie Stubbe's sister), Ron Kloos, Barney Olson, Travus Mekosch.

Petitions conclude:

P ... Let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy.

Final petition:

Almighty Father, we give You thanks that You have washed us in the blood of the Lamb, written our names in the Book of Life, and made us a royal priesthood and heirs of an eternal inheritance. Though we are unworthy of Your saving grace, we pray You to hear us in the name of Jesus Christ, in whom, with whom and through whom all honor and glory is Yours, heavenly Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering and Offertory

Service of the Sacrament

Distribution Hymns

Post-Communion Canticle

"Thank the Lord"

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510, 672

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Hymn

"For All the Saints"

677 vv. 7-8

Postlude

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