

HOLY COMMUNION

All Saints Sunday

November 2, 2025

8:00 am and 10:30 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints “who from their labors rest.” In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today’s gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior’s body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God’s glory.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: “*Fantasia on ‘Sine Nomine’*”

Craig Phillips

*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!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

Stand

HYMN: *For All the Saints*

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1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 on facing page.
6 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the
7 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; . . .
saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host, . . .



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

3 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
 5 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;

we fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
 soon, soon to faith - ful ser - vants com - eth rest; . . .

all are one in thee, for all are thine.
 hearts are a - gain and arms are strong.
 sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

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

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.

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.

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. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

GREETING

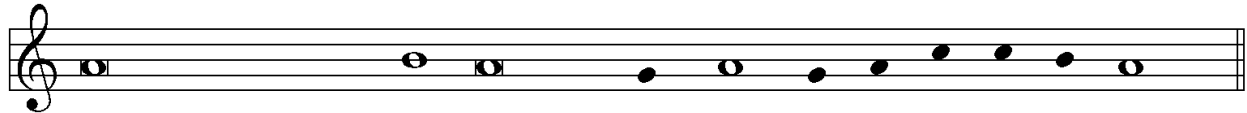
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE



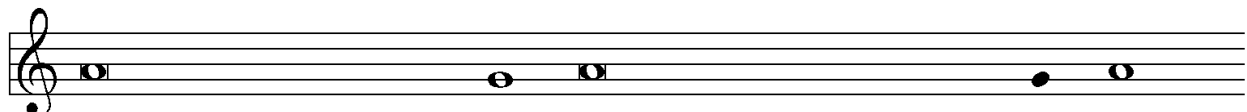
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



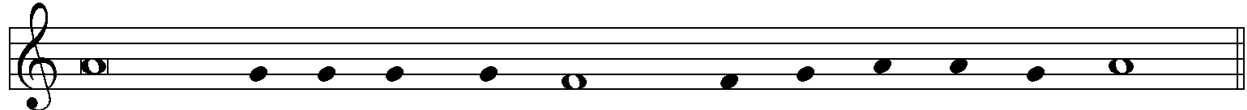
A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



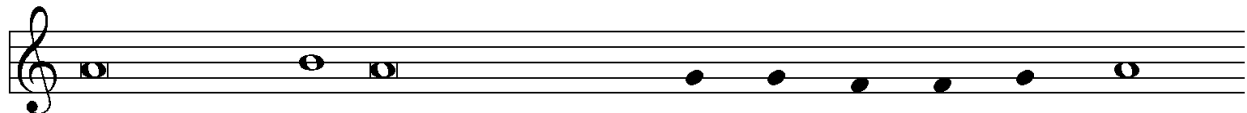
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO)



A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the body of 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 your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Later service only:

CHILDREN'S SERMON

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

A A reading from Daniel.

¹ In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ² I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³ and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶ I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷ "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth.

¹⁸ But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Later service only:

PSALM 149 *(The congregation's verses are in bold face type.)*

- ¹ Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD | a new song;
sing his praise in the congregation | of the faithful.
- ² **Let Israel rejoice | in his maker;**
let the children of Zion be joyful | in their king.
- ³ Let them praise his name | in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with tim- | brel and harp.
- ⁴ **For the LORD takes pleasure | in his people**
and adorns the | poor with victory.
- ⁵ Let the faithful | rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful | on their beds.
- ⁶ **Let the praises of God be | in their throat**
and a two-edged sword | in their hand;
- ⁷ to wreak vengeance | on the nations
and punishment | on the peoples;
- ⁸ **to bind their | kings in chains**
and their nobles with | links of iron;
- ⁹ to inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people. | Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:11-23

After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

A A reading from Ephesians.

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,

may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him,¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places,²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church,²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The congregation sings the Acclamation.



The choir sings the Verse.



They are before the | throne of God,
and the one seated on the throne will | shelter them.

The congregation repeats the Acclamation.



GOSPEL

Luke 6:20-31

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

G **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁰ Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ “But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

SERMON

Pastor Weleck

Stand

Later service only:

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Who Are These Like Stars Appearing*
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1 Who are these like stars ap - pear - ing, these, be - fore God's
 2 Who are these of daz - ling bright - ness, clothed in God's own
 3 These are they who have con - ten - ded for their Sav - ior's

throne who stand? Each a gol - den crown is wear - ing;
 righ - teous - ness These, in robes of pur - est white - ness,
 hon - or long, wrestl - ing on till life was end - ed,

who are all this glo - rious band? Al - le - lu - ia!
 shall their lus - ter still pos - sess, still un - touched by
 fol - l'wing not the sin - ful - throng. these who well the

Hark, they sing, prais - ing loud their heaven - ly King.
 time's rude hand? Whence came all this glor - ious band?
 fight sus - tained, tri - umph through the Lamb have gained.

4 These are they whose hearts were riven,
 sore with woe and anguish tried,
 who in prayer full oft have striven
 with the God they glorified;
 now, their painful conflict o'er,
 God has bid them weep no more.

5 These, the Almighty contemplating,
 did as priests before him stand,
 soul and body always waiting
 day and night at his command:
 now in God's most holy place
 blest they stand before his face.

Stand

The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

NICENE CREED

☐ With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

☑ We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- A** With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- A** We pray for the church, for its pastors and other ministers, for the newly
baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our
growth in grace.
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase
of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and
among peoples.
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of
war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit,
for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day
will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts...
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and
especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete
their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones.
Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
C **Amen.**

PEACE

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say
Peace be with you or similar words.*

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

The Offering will be collected in the Narthex as you leave the church.

OFFERTORY

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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.

The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE, concluding:

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The assembly sings the SANCTUS:

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

P 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION


P Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

C **Lord, I am not worthy**
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

Sit

COMMUNION

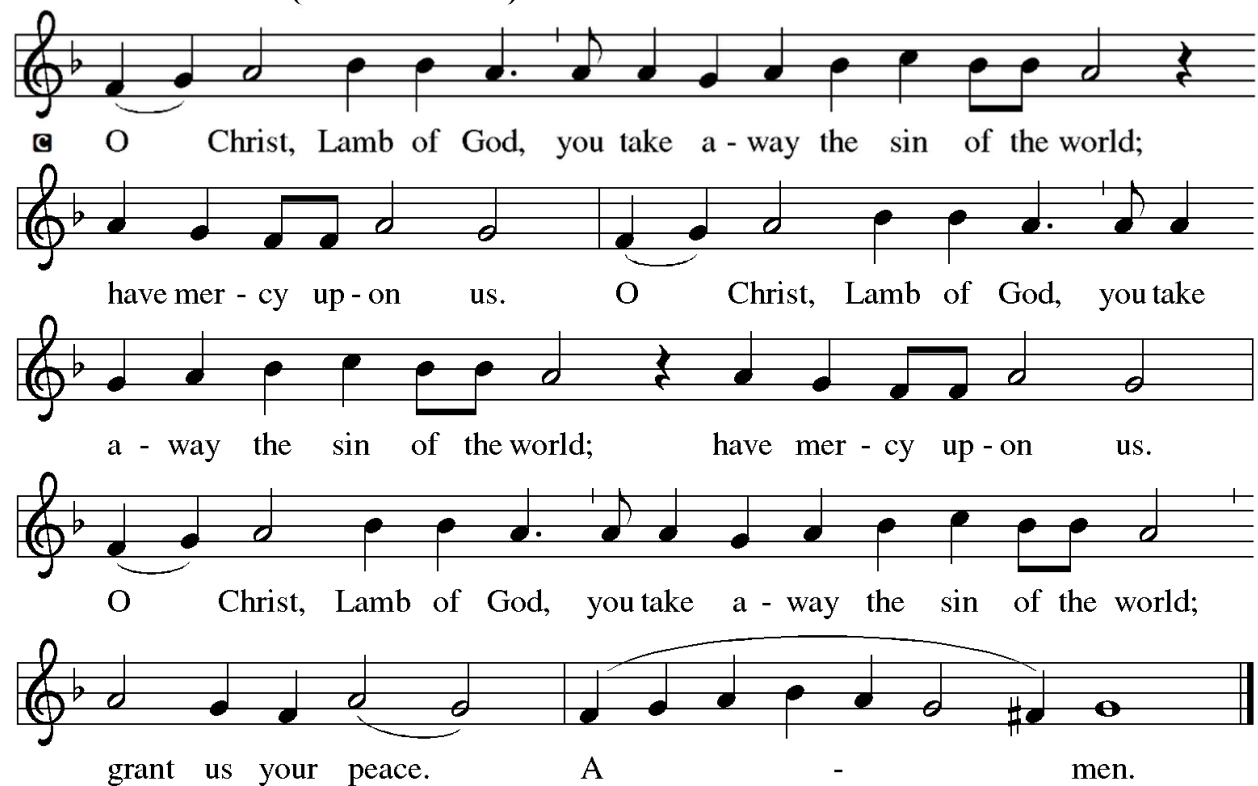
When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond  Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are “truly and substantially” present “in, with, and under” the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.

Music during Communion:

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take
a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

COMMUNION ANTHEM:

Russell Schulz-Widmar

*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.*

*Thy gardens and your gallant walks Continually are green;
There grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs As nowhere else are seen.*

*There trees forevermore bear fruit And evermore do spring;
There evermore the angels sit And evermore do sing!*

*Jerusalem, Jerusalem, God grant that I may see
Thine endless joy, and of the same Partaker ever be!*

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY: "Preludio 'Sine Nomine'"

Herbert Howells

Stand

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

- ☐ The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- ☑ **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- ☐ Let us pray.
We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the
healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this
gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- ☑ **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING (BENEDICTION)

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, A - men, A - men.

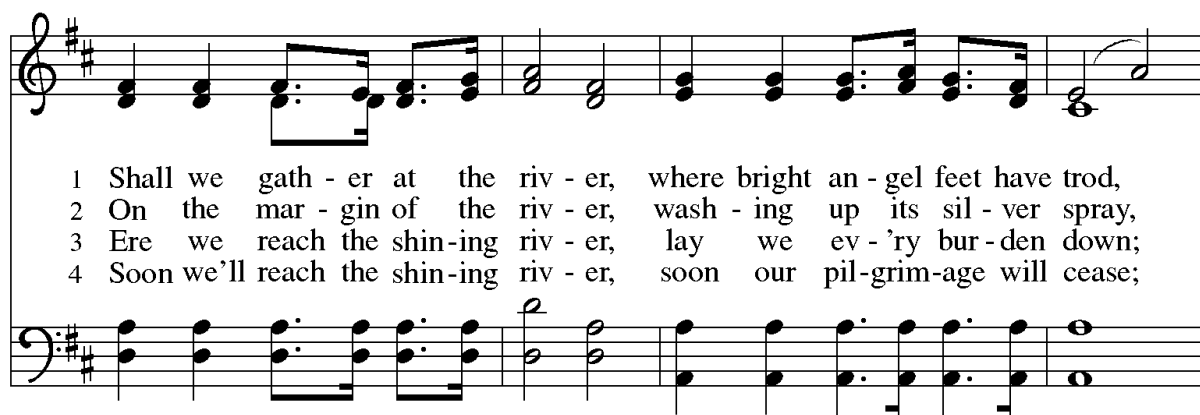
DISMISSAL

- A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

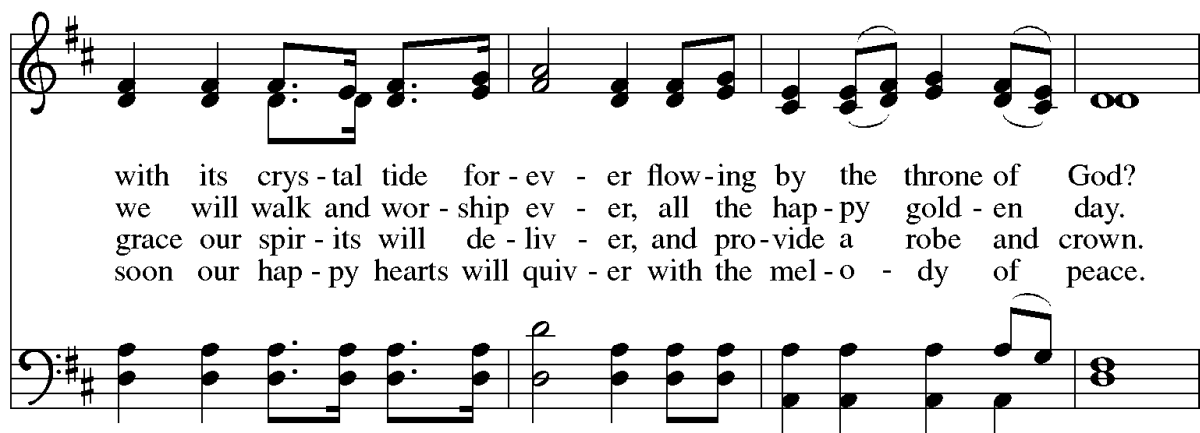
HYMN: *Shall We Gather at the River*

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Shall We Gather at the River



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

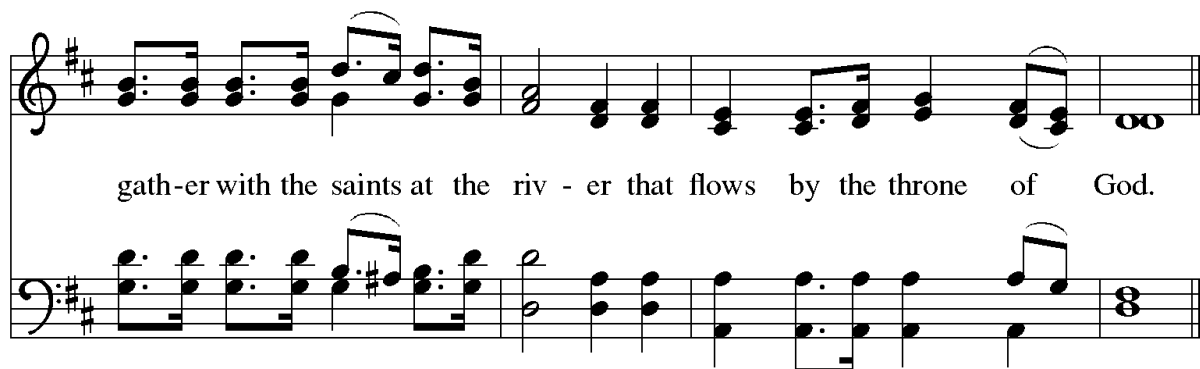


with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

OFFERING

The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.

POSTLUDE: *"Ye holy angels bright"*

Percy Whitlock

*Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.*

*Ye blessèd souls at rest, who ran this earthly race,
and now, from sin released, behold the Saviour's face,
his praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.*

*Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King,
and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing;
take what he gives and praise him still, through good and ill, who ever lives.*

*My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above,
and with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love;
let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, be filled with praise.*



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The Time of the Church is the season after Pentecost, beginning with The Holy Trinity and ending with Christ the King. These weeks focus on Christ's ministry and teaching.

The liturgical color white, symbolic of purity, joy, and the light of Christ, is used on the festivals of Christ.



Worship Assistants

Ushers: Brooke Rush, Joe Cooney, Scott Halteman, and Dick Allebach

Lectors: 8:00 am: Debra Augustine

10:30 am: Lessons: Jennifer Wentworth

Prayers: Sherry Jessee

Communion Assistant: Gary Wessner

Acolyte and Crucifer: Russel Einsla and Grace Einsla

Altar Guild: Debra Augustine, Sally Sweeney, and Becky Quirk

Offering Tabulation: Jennifer Wentworth, Brian O'Hara, and Chilly Lyaro

Video Streaming: Jim Lien, Chilly Lyaro, and Shane Elison

The Flowers that Adorn the Altar are given to the glory of God by Susan Snow and Barry Amole in honor of our children.

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Cathy Menendez in loving memory of her father, Robert Engel, Sr.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by Richard and Dot Opperman in honor of our grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The Choir Music is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gail Martin by her family and friends.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation November 9, 2025: Please plan to attend the Annual Meeting next Sunday, November 9th at 11:30 am. The budget for 2026 will be reviewed and approved and Vestry Elections will take place. This is an important meeting and your attendance is needed! The WELCA Ladies will provide LUNCH! See you there!

All Saints Sunday

"... and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." —Revelation 7:17

Sharon Mowry Altland

Darlene Scholl Eisenhardt

Hazel Giera

Brian Henry

Marsha Llewellyn

"Lovellette" MacDonald Lovell

Roy G. Lovell

Muriel Ludwig

Gail Martin

Rick Reyer

Bryan Saylor

Ruth Yoder Taylor

Donna Yannelli

Alice Young

WOMEN OF ELCA REMEMBRANCE - Following a tradition established by the Women of the ELCA, on "All Saints' Sunday" a special remembrance is made to the Memorial Fund of Augustus Lutheran Church to honor the memory of departed members during the past year who were active in Augustus Women/ELCA. This year Augustus Women/ELCA honors Hazel Giera and Muriel Ludwig.



13th Annual Thanksgiving Apple Pie Sale

Sponsored by the Senior Youth Group

Pies can be picked up on Nov. 23rd after both services or delivered after the late service. Pies will be frozen.

Baking instructions will be provided.

Cost: \$12.00 per pie.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of Pies: _____

Pick up on 24-Nov-2024 (check one)

After the early Service (8:00 am): _____

After the late Service (10:30 am): _____

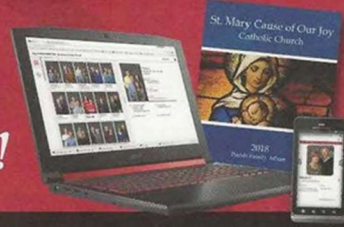
Address for delivery: _____

Please e-mail orders to gtwess@comcast.net, place orders in offering plates or drop them off in the church office.

Augustus Senior Youth Group's
**HOMEMADE
APPLE PIE
SALE**
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23, 2025
(after the 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Service)
----- Order Now -----
SUNDAY OCT. 26 thru SUNDAY NOV. 16
Only \$ 12.00
To place order, contact: gtwess@comcast.net

Top your Thanksgiving dinner off with a homemade apple pie! The pies come fully assembled and just require baking them.. The pies also freeze well, so you can buy an extra one for your Christmas dinner! Don't wait to order yours. They sell fast every year. Sales benefit Augustus' Senior Youth Group. To place your order, contact gtwess@comcast.net.

*Dear Church family,
It's time for a New Directory!*



*Celebrating faith.
Connecting families.
Sharing hope.*

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families, and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

Directory Committee

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at the church
If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!
- Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.



Square Dance

Brian O'Hara © 2025
brian.ohara24@gmail.com

GRAB YOUR PARTNER OR COME ALONE !!!
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2025

A SOCIAL ACTIVITY FOR ALL AGES!!!

INSTRUCTION LED BY
ANNA

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

7:00 PM

AN EVENT HOSTED BY OUTREACH COMMITTEE

*****SOMETHING NEW *** Outreach Social Activity**

Grab your partner or come alone! The Outreach Committee is hosting a Square Dancing event on Friday, November 14th. The event is open to people of all ages, and no prior experience is necessary. Our instructor, Anna, will teach you everything. The Outreach Committee will provide light refreshments. Mark your calendars and plan to attend. It is a fantastic opportunity to socialize with fellow congregants!!!



OUTREACH COMMITTEE – ADVENT REMEMBRANCE DOVES: A Pair of Doves spiritually represent love, friendship, and peace. When two doves couple together, they enter into partnership for a lifetime. A pair of doves can signify a union of two or more people or entities with a positive outlook for the future. At Christmas, people tend to remember those that have gone before them. If you are thinking of someone special this Christmas Season, we will be offering you two free remembrance doves in memory of that person. One to keep to adorn your Christmas Tree reminding you of their presence throughout the season, and one to leave at Augustus adorning the Christmas Tree in the nave to remind you that they are with Jesus, the one we are celebrating at Christmas. The doves will be made available on the first Sunday of Advent on November 30, 2025. Be present to receive yours!

2025 Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

Mail to: Karen Lachenmayer Phone: 610-715-4850
412 Dartmoor Road E-mail: karenlachenmayer@gmail.com
Schwenksville, Pa. 19473

ORDER DEADLINE: December 7, 2025

NAME _____

CONTACT INFO: _____

COLOR	QUANTITY	TOTAL \$
RED	_____ @ \$11.00 ea	_____
WHITE	_____ @ \$11.00 ea	_____



Check One:

_____ I will take my plants after the 9:00 P.M. Service 12/24.
_____ Please distribute my plants to others.

I would like the bulletin acknowledgement to read:

WELCA will accept donations of toys and other items for Gemma Services again this year. Collection boxes will be located in the Muhlenberg Center from November 2 through December 7.

Each year, Gemma creates holiday joy by providing gifts and gift cards to children and families who they accompany across their programs and Martin Luther School. Thanks to the generosity of many friends like Augustus, they are able to help parents who work hard to provide their families with essentials but do not have extra money to buy holiday gifts. They are also able to help children who are residents of their treatment program with holiday gifts while they are away from their families.

*You can help make special holiday memories possible! Any gift you provide means a child will have a new toy to unwrap with excitement on Christmas morning. A gift card you donate will help a family buy the perfect present for their child or provide their family with a holiday meal. **Most importantly, your generous support is a tangible reminder that every child and every family matters.***



2025 Gift Wish List

Toys

- Large and medium-sized stuffed animals
- Small and medium-sized Squishmallow stuffed animals
- Weighted stuffed animals
- Games – Checkers, Chess, Jenga, Connect 4, UNO, Scrabble, Trouble, and Sorry are favorites
- LEGO sets
- Pokémon cards and toys
- Superhero action figures
- LOL dolls and Rainbow High dolls
- Remote controlled vehicles (battery operated, please)
- Playing cards and card games
- Rubik's cubes
- Handheld electronic games (battery operated, please)
- Fidget toys – spinners, tangles, cubes, stress balls, pop-its
- Dream Lites or other soft night lights
- Books for children and teens
- Wireless headphones/earbuds
- Small Bluetooth speakers
- Matchbox or Hot Wheels cars & racetracks
- Puzzles
- Hairstyling mannequin heads

Clothing & Personal Care

- Pajama sets for boys and girls – youth sizes M-XL and adult sizes S-L
- Toiletry gift sets for boys or girls. Dove, Axe, and Bath and Body Works are favorites.
- Personal care items including body wash, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. Plastic bottles only, please!
- Plastic water bottles
- Hooded sweatshirts for girls and boys – youth sizes 12-18 and adult sizes S-L. Nike, Adidas, Champion, and Under Armor are favorite brands
- Adidas or Nike slide style sandals – youth and adult sizes
- Crocs and Crocs-style sandals – youth and adult sizes
- Jibbitz or charms for Crocs-style sandals
- Adjustable baseball hats – Nike and Philly sports teams are favorites
- Athletic socks – Nike, Adidas, Champion, and Fila are favorites
- Hairbrushes and combs
- Nail stickers, press-on nails, lip gloss, lip balm, and makeup
- Winter coats – youth & adult sizes
- Winter hats & gloves – youth & adult sizes
- Children's weighted blankets

Arts & Crafts

- Craft kits (sand art, sun catchers, etc.)
- Crayola art kits
- Diamond or crystal art kits
- Paint by number
- Gel pen sets
- Stickers and sticker sheets
- Crayons, markers, and colored pencils
- Coloring books and large coloring pages
- Sticker by number books
- Sketch books and drawing paper – non-spiral bound, please!
- Journals – no locks, non-spiral bound, please!
- Small and medium art canvases
- Air dry clay
- Light up drawing pads

Sports

- Footballs and basketballs
- Over-the-door basketball hoops
- Football gloves – youth and adult sizes
- Basketball shooting sleeves – youth and adult sizes

Email Abryant@gemmaservices.org to arrange delivery. For more information about Gemma Services or to make a donation online to support our mission, please visit www.gemmaservices.org.