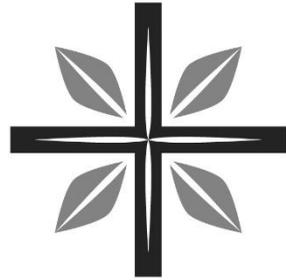


St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



Welcome to our visitors!

- It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will fill your heart with the peace that only God can offer and the joy we have in knowing that Jesus Christ is our Savior from sin.
- Restrooms are located at the far end of the entry area.
- Large print service folders, assisted listening devices, children's service folders, and children's worship notes are available from the ushers.
- Parents may take small children into the entry area, mother's room (at the back of the church), or nursery (lower level of church) as needed and follow the worship service on the TV monitor. Changing tables are available in the mother's room and in the room adjacent to the nursery.
- As the offering is received, members and guests are asked to sign the Friendship Register. Please pass the register to your neighbor and then return it to the center aisle. Visitors are also asked to fill out a guest card and give it to an usher.
- The Lord's Supper will be celebrated in our worship today. Scripture tells us that the Lord's Supper is an expression of unity in God's Word and a privilege reserved for those who have publicly confessed their oneness in faith. Therefore, we ask guests who are not members of WELS or ELS congregations to refrain from communion until such oneness can be established. We do not intend to be exclusive and unloving. Rather, we desire to faithfully carry out the teaching of Scripture and further explore God's Word with you in the hope that we may eventually enjoy such "communion fellowship" together. For more information, please speak with one of our pastors.

All Saints' Day

November 2 & 3, 2019

Promises of the End: Generations before have been led safely home.

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Please stand to sing the final stanza

We Praise You, Lord (Saturday)

Christian Worship 301

Saints, Behold! The Sight Is Glorious (Sunday)

Christian Worship 216

Holy Baptism (Saturday)

Christian Worship, pg. 12

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY

M: Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. They admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. Instead, they were longing for a better country – a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. *Hebrews 11:1, 2, 16*

C: **Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.** *Hebrews 12:1*

M: Remember your leaders, who spoke the Word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

C: **Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.** *Hebrews 13:7, 8*

M: Since you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. *Colossians 3:1*

C: **I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God.** *Job 19:25*

M: Too often we have set our minds on earthly things and not on things that are above. Therefore, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Please kneel

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

M: Since we have been raised with Christ, we eagerly set our minds on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Please stand

M: Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope.

C: **We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.** *1 Thessalonians 4:13, 14*

M: Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed – in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.

C: **For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.**

M: Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

C: **Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

1 Corinthians 15:51, 52, 57, 58

Congregational Song of Praise

Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

Christian Worship 550 (stanza 3)

**O blessed saints, now take your rest; a thousand times you will be blessed
For keeping faith firm unto death and scorning worldly trust.
For now you live at home with God; you toiled and sowed the Word abroad.
Rejoice and bring your fruits and sing before the throne of God.
The myriad angels raise the song; O saints, sing with that happy throng!
Lift up one voice; let heav'n rejoice in our Redeemer's song.**

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow the example of your blessed saints in lives of faith and willing service and with them at last inherit the inexpressible joys that 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.



Be seated

THE WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 26:1-4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 19-21

The LORD has always brought his people safely home.

In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah:

We have a strong city; God makes salvation its walls and ramparts.

Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, the nation that keeps faith.

You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you.

Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD is the Rock eternal.
 Yes, LORD, walking in the way of your laws, we wait for you;
 your name and renown are the desire of our hearts.
 My soul yearns for you in the night; in the morning my spirit longs for you.
 When your judgments come upon the earth, the people of the world learn righteousness.
 LORD, you establish peace for us; all that we have accomplished you have done for us.
 O LORD, our God, other lords besides you have ruled over us, but your name alone do we honor.
 But your dead will live; their bodies will rise.
 You who dwell in the dust, wake up and shout for joy.
 Your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead.
 Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you;
 hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by.
 See, the LORD is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins.
 The earth will disclose the blood shed upon her; she will conceal her slain no longer.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 34

Blessed are those who the LORD hears, redeems, and brings safely home.

Refrain



Psalm tone



Taste and see that the LORD is good;
 blessed are they who take refuge in him.

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous
 and his ears are attentive to their cry.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
 and he delivers them. **Refrain**

The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;
 he delivers them from all their troubles.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearthed
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The LORD redeems his servants;
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

**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. *Refrain***

Second Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17

God has led generations before safely home to heaven.

After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice:

“Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying:

“Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor
and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”

Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?”

I answered, “Sir, you know.”

And he said, “These are they who have come 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 spread his tent over them.

Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst.

The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd;

he will lead them to springs of living water.

And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Verse of the Day

M: Alleluia, alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple.
Alleluia.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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

Please stand

Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

Blessed are those who have gone safely home before us.

Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying:

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

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

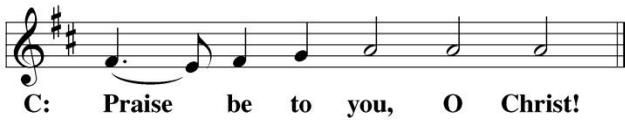
Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”



Be seated

Anthem (Sunday)

Junior Choir

I Will Rise

choral setting by Lloyd Larson

There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail.
There's an anchor for my soul. I can say, "It is well."
Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won; he is risen from the dead.
And I will rise when he calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings, before my God fall on my knees, and rise. I will rise.

There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light,
And the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes.
Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed.
The victory is won; he is risen from the dead.
And I will rise when he calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings, before my God fall on my knees, and rise. I will rise.

And I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
I hear the voice of many angels sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
And I will rise when he calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles' wings, before my God fall on my knees, and rise. I will rise.

Hymn of the Day

Around the Throne, A Glorious Band

Christian Worship 549

Sermon

Isaiah 26:1-4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 19-21

A Summary of Sainthood

Please stand

Nicene Creed

**C: 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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

Be seated

Offering

*The members of St. John's have joined together to do the Lord's work
in our community and around the world, and our offerings are
a joyful response of our faith. To submit your offering electronically,
scan the QR code or visit www.sjtosa.org/giving. If you are a visitor today,
you are welcome but not obligated to give an offering.*



Please stand

Prayer of the Church

- M:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
We pray for the poor in spirit, who gather this day to receive the grace and mercy by which we are made rich in Christ.
- C:** **We pray for those who mourn, that they may receive abundant comfort in the promises of Jesus Christ who makes all things new.**
- M:** We pray for the meek, including all who patiently and lovingly speak the Gospel to others, that the Holy Spirit would work through the Word they speak to create faith in many who will inherit the new creation in Christ.
- C:** **We pray for those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, that in faithfulness they may approach the altar to receive Christ's body and blood for the feeding of their bodies and souls.**
- M:** We pray for the merciful, including the pastors, teachers, and staff ministers who speak of God's mercy to his people, that they may remain steadfast in the Word and live in the mercy they proclaim.
- C:** **We pray for the peacemakers, including all in authority, that they may be blessed in working toward peace and that the peace of God in Christ may continue to be proclaimed freely.**
- M:** We pray for those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, that they may be upheld and strengthened in the one true faith even in the face of suffering, and that all God's people may boldly confess the name of Christ.
- C:** **We pray for the sick and recovering, that they may be granted health and healing according to your wisdom.**
- Special prayers and intercessions may follow*
- M:** For all this, and for all else that you know we need, we ask of your great mercy, O Lord.
- C:** **Keep us in fellowship with all your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of your heavenly kingdom. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: **And al - so with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By his saints and witnesses of the past he encourages us to run with perseverance the race marked out for us and to live in righteousness and peace.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

Words of Institution

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

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

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

Be seated

*To receive communion, please proceed down the center aisle and exit via the side aisles.
Grape juice is available in the center of the individual cup tray for those unable to receive wine.
Personal prayers for communion can be found on pg. 11 of Christian Worship.*

Distribution Hymns[†]

O God, Our Help in Ages Past
Christian Worship 441

Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken (see pg. 18)
Christian Worship Supplement 726

† Distribution hymns: During the distribution of the Lord’s Supper, *distribution hymns* may be sung. These hymns are usually chosen to reinforce the theme of the day or to focus on Holy Communion. Hymns reinforcing the theme of the day remind worshipers of the message proclaimed in the readings and further expounded upon in the sermon. Hymns focusing on Holy Communion remind worshipers of the blessings they receive from God through the distribution of the Sacrament. For more information on distribution hymns, see pg. 23 of *Understanding Lutheran Worship*, found in the hymnal rack.

Please stand

THANKSGIVING



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Heavenly Father, as we are strangers and pilgrims here on earth, set our minds on things above, rejoicing in our citizenship in the heavenly Jerusalem. With the faithful gone before us, open our lips that our mouths may confess the salvation that is ours through the sacrifice of your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



Be seated

Closing Hymn

For All Your Saints, O Lord
Christian Worship 555

Announcements

Postlude

If you do not wish to take your service folder home, please place it in the basket so it can be reused.

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Serving at Worship

Preacher	Pastor Eric Schroeder
Presiding Minister	Pastor Kyle Bitter
Musicians	Lisa Eggebrecht, organ (Saturday) Eric Sipe, organ (Sunday)
Junior Choir Director	Mandy Treder
Communion Assistants	Jon Johnson, Jeff Quint (8:00 a.m.) Andrew Duncan, Adam Goede, Keith Hackbarth (10:30 a.m.)
Greeters	Mark & Mary Gaub, Susan Freedlund, Chris Sturdevant (8:00 a.m.) Barb Bergquist, Sally Parker, Mary Rindfleisch, Paula Rauth (10:30 a.m.)
Head Ushers	Kerry Kuehn (Saturday); Jon Johnson (8:00 a.m.); Michael Schneider (10:30 a.m.)
AV Operators	Jonah & Riley Rindfleisch (8:00 a.m.); Paul Puglisi (10:30 a.m.)

Worship Notes

- The altar flowers are placed by Dan and Sue Eick in celebration of their 34th wedding anniversary and in thanks for blessings received.
- Joshua Matthew Binger, son of Steve and Jessica (nee Lindstrum) Binger, who will be baptized during the 5:30 p.m. service. Serving as sponsors are John and Rose Galindo.

In Our Prayers

- The family and friends of Delores Schmeling, who went to be with her Lord Monday at the age of 84. Her Christian Victory service will be held at St. John's on Wednesday, November 6.
- Reese Charlotte Huenerbein, daughter of Anthony Huenerbein and Lisa Huenerbein (nee Wilke), baptized in a private ceremony following our 10:30 a.m. service today.

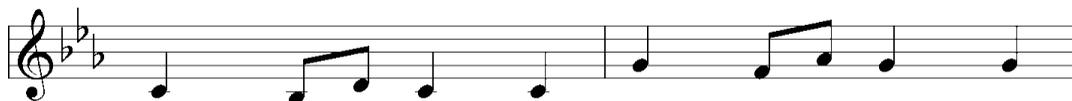
Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken



1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, un - shak - en
 2 Mi - chael fought the heav'n - ly bat - tle,
 3 Long on earth the bat - tle rag - es,
 4 Je - sus came, this word ful - fill - ing,
 5 Swift as light - ning falls the ty - rant
 6 Je - sus, send your an - gel le - gions



By the dev - il's seeth - ing rage,
 God - ly an - gels by his side;
 Since the ser - pent's first de - ceit
 Tram - pled Sa - tan, death de - fied;
 From his heav'n - ly perch on high,
 When the foe would us en - slave.



Thwarts the plan of Sa - tan's min - ions;
 Warred a - gainst the an - cient ser - pent,
 Twist - ed God's com - mand to Ad - am,
 Bore the brunt of our temp - ta - tion,
 As the word of Je - sus' vic - t'ry
 Hold us fast when sin as - saults us;



Wins the strife from age to age;
 Foiled the beast, so full of pride,
 Made for - bid - den fruit look sweet.
 On the wretch - ed tree he died.
 Floods the earth and fills the sky.
 Come then, Lord, your peo - ple save.



Con - quers sin and death for - ev - er;
 Cast him earth - bound with his an - gels;
 Then the curse of God was spok - en:
 Yet to life was raised vic - to - rious;
 Wound - ed by a wound e - ter - nal
 O - ver - throw at last the drag - on;



Slams them in their steel - y cage.
 Now he prowls, un - sat - is - fied.
 "You'll lie crushed be - neath his feet!"
 By his life our life sup - plied.
 Now his judg - ment has drawn nigh!
 Send him to his fier - y grave.

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Readings for the Week of All Saints'

M	Matthew 10:1-10	1 Kings 18:21-40
T	Matthew 10:11-15	1 Samuel 5:1-5
W	Matthew 10:16-23	Hebrews 3:1-6
R	Matthew 10:24-31	1 Corinthians 1:10-17
F	Matthew 10:32-39	1 Corinthians 3:11-15
S	Matthew 10:40-42	1 Corinthians 3:16-23

