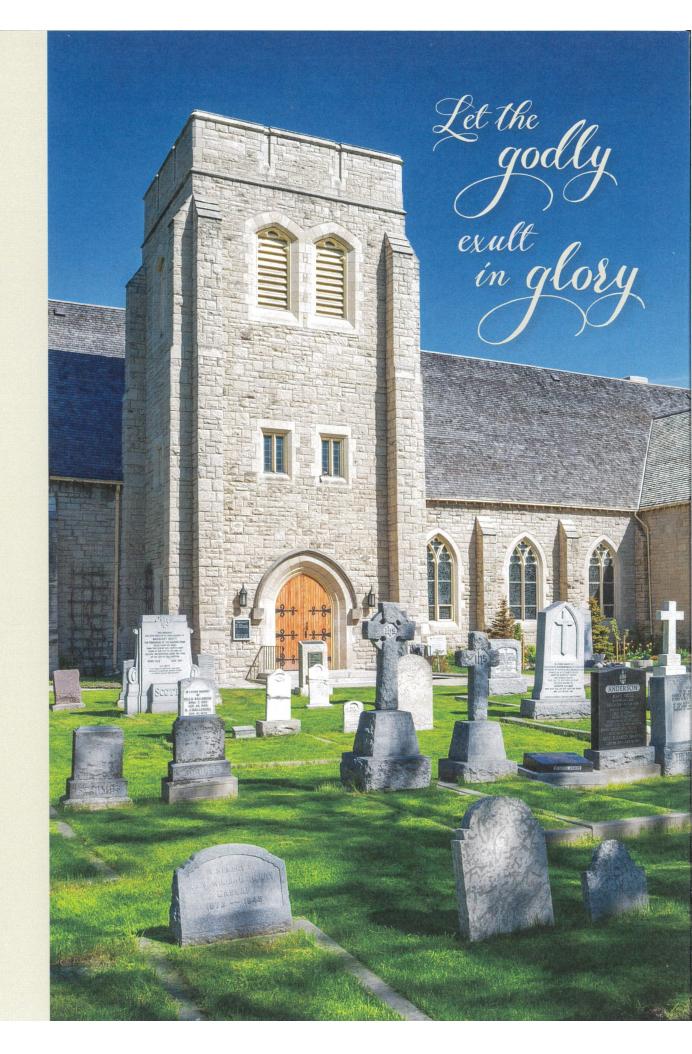
Lord of Life Lutheran Church Plano, Texas



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Our Mission Statement

Bring people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ by

† reaching up to God in worship and prayer,

† reaching in to be empowered by God's Word as members of His family &

† reaching out at every opportunity with the Gospel of Christ.

A Prayer before Worship

Almighty Father, Son, Holy Spirit, eternal ever blessed gracious God; to me the least of saints, to me allow that I may keep a door in paradise. That I may keep even the smallest door, the farthest, the darkest, coldest door, the door that is least used, the stiffest door. If so it be but in Your house, O God, if so it be that I can see Your glory even afar, and hear your voice, O God, and know that I am with You, You, O God. Amen.

(Columba of Iona, c. 521-597)

Large Print Bulletin and Children's Bulletin

Copies of today's bulletin are available in LARGE PRINT. Children's Activity Bulletins are also available. Please ask an usher if you would like to use either of these options.

Nursery/Cry Room

The nursery is available for families with young children ages 2 and under in Room 109. It will not be staffed until further notice. Or, if you prefer, Room 100 also is available as a cry room and/or a room for nursing mothers. Please ask an usher if you need assistance or directions.

For Those Desiring Holy Communion, Please Read:

"Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself." 1Corinthians 11:27-29

Being admonished to receive Christ's Body and Blood in a worthy manner, let us prepare our hearts for reception of this sacrament by privately answering the following:

- 1. Do I believe that I am a sinful person without hope of eternal life except for God's mercy in Christ?
- 2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my Savior?
- 3. Do I believe that He is present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion with His Body and Blood?
- 4. Do I hope by the power of the Holy Spirit to live a godly life?

AS YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER you are affirming with each communicant that Jesus is your Savior and Lord, that you believe His Body and Blood are present, and that you desire to serve Him as a disciple in the fellowship of His church. If you are not an active member of an LCMS congregation, please speak with the Pastor before communing. All Saints' Day November 6, 2022 8:00 AM and 10:45 AM Divine Service I – LSB 151

Prelude

Stand

Entrance Hymn

"Sing with All the Saints in Glory" LSB 671

all Choir only: 1 Sing with saints Sing the the in glo - ry, res - ur ex - ceed - ing Choir only: 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far All that eye has 3 Life e - ter - nal! Heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who earth's dark sto - ry, rec - tion Death and sor - row, song! a - ges plead-ing death - less voic - es! per - ceived! Ho - liest hearts for yet Shout with joy, once was dead. 0 То the for - mer days be - long. All a - round the Nev - er that full joy con - ceived. God has prom - ised, Child of God, lift up your head! Life e - ter - nal! clouds are break - ing; Soon of the storms time shall Christ pre - pares There high it; on our wel - come what won - ders Oh. Crowd faith; what on joy un God's like - ness In cease; we a - wak - en, hum - ble waits. Ev 'ry spir - it shares it, When. a - mid earth's known, clos-ing thun - ders, Know - ing last ing peace. ev er Christ has passed the e ter nal gates. _ throne! Saints shall stand be fore the

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Text: William J. Irons, 1812–83, alt. Tune: William B. Roberts, 1947

Invocation, Confession, and Absolution

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

- Matthew 28:19b, [18:20] In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- **C** Most merciful God, 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.

[John 20:19-23]

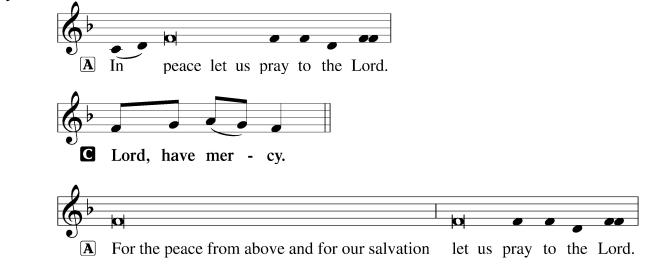
Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Kyrie

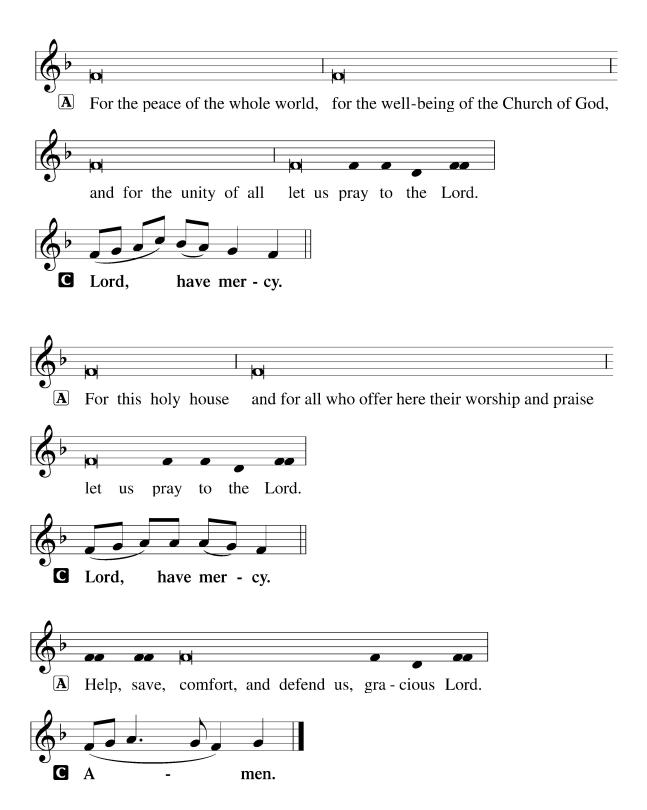
+++Service of the Word+++

Mark 10:47; LSB 152



1 John 1:8–9







Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P 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 Amen.

Sit

First Reading

Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After 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, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And 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, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I 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.

¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them,

nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷For 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.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm



For the LORD takes pleasure in his | people;* he adorns the humble with sal- | vation.

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a | new song,* his praise in the assembly of the | godly!

Let Israel be glad in his | Maker;* let the children of Zion rejoice | in their King!

Let them praise his name with | dancing,* making melody to him with tambou- | rine and lyre!

For the LORD takes pleasure in his | people;* he adorns the humble with sal- | vation.

Let the godly exult in | glory;* let them sing for joy | on their beds.

Let the high praises of God be | in their throats* and two-edged swords | in their hands,

to execute vengeance on the | nations* and punishments on the | peoples,

to bind their | kings with chains* and their nobles with fet- | ters of iron,

to execute on them the judgment | written!* This is honor for all his godly ones. | Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

For the LORD takes pleasure in his | people;* he adorns the humble with sal- | vation.

Epistle

1 John 3:1–3

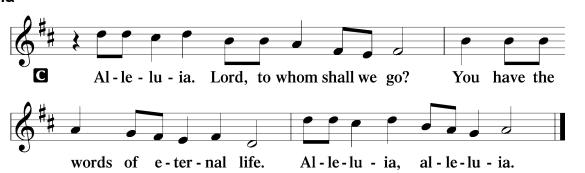
¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

LSB 156

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



¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

²And 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. ¹²Rejoice 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.



Hymn of the Day

LSB 677 0 1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, Choir Only: 2 Thou their wast rock. their for-tress, and their might; 3 Oh, diers, faith-ful, true, and bold, may Thy sol 4 Oh. blest com - mu _ nion, fel - low-ship di - vine! Who Thee by faith be fore the world con - fessed, Thy _ Thou. Lord, their well-fought fight; cap tain in the Fight saints no - bly fought of And as the who old We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine: Yet 0 Je be for - ev blest. name, sus, er Thou, in the dark _ ness drear, their one true light. win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold! Thine. all one in Thee, for all are are Θ Al le - lu ia! Al le - lu ia! le - lu A1 ia! A1 _ le - lu ia! _ Al le - lu ia! Al _ le - lu ia! Choir Only: 6 5 And when the fight is fierce, The golden evening the warfare long, brightens in the west; Steals on the ear Soon, soon to faithful the distant triumph song, warriors cometh rest; And hearts are brave Sweet is the calm again, and arms are strong. of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! 7 From earth's wide bounds. But, lo, there breaks $\wedge 8$ a yet more glorious day: from ocean's farthest coast, The saints triumphant Through gates of pearl rise in bright array; streams in the countless host, The King of Glory Singing to Father, passes on His way. Son, and Holy Ghost:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

"For All the Saints"

Text: William W. How, 1823–97, alt. Tune: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

C 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 + of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Sit

(Traditionally, this is the time to collect offerings, instead there is an offering plate at the rear of the sanctuary. Other giving options are through the mail or online from our website's "Giving" link. (This QR code points there.)



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A Remembrance of Members Who have Gone to be with Our Lord Since All Saints Day 2021

Pat Montolbo 🕆 November 15, 2021

P I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies;

C And whoever lives and believes in Me will never die. (John 11:25-26).

Shirley Sparks 🕆 December 9, 2021

- For none of us lives to himself alone and none of us dies to himself alone. If we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we belong to the Lord.
- **C** So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. (*Romans 14:7-8*)

Al Manning 🛱 January 24, 2022

- Don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized unto His death?
- **C** We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. (Romans 6: 3-4)

Leo Parrent 🛱 April 15, 2022

- If we have been united with Christ like this in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection.
- **C** For we know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin—because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. (Romans 6: 5-7)

June Edelmann 🛱 June 10, 2022

- Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death is your victory? Where, O death is your sting?
- **C** The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 15:54b-57)

Ardis Bang 🕆 August 22, 2022

- Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.
- **G** Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. (Colossians 3:1-2)

Helen Dolan 🕆 October 8, 2022

■ I tell you the truth, whoever hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has eternal life.

C And will not be condemned: He has crossed over from death to life. (John 5:24)

Vera Hemmingway 🛱 October 11, 2022

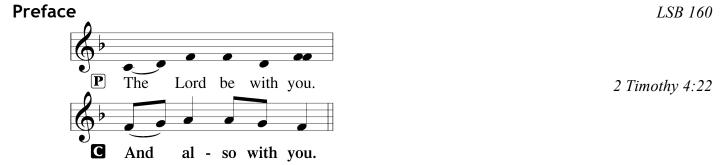
- **P** I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.
- **C** Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness. (2 Timothy 4:7-8)
- Let us pray. Almighty God, in whose glorious presence live all who depart in the Lord and before whom all the souls of the faithful who are delivered of the burden of the flesh are in joy and felicity, we give You hearty thanks for Your loving-kindness to all Your servants who

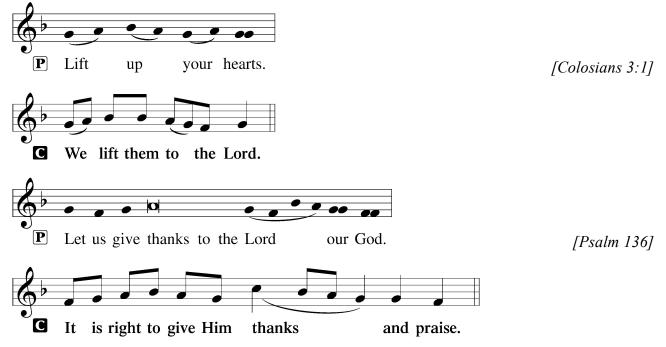
have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors, and we humbly implore Your mercy that we, together with all who have departed in the saving faith, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, in both body and soul, in Your eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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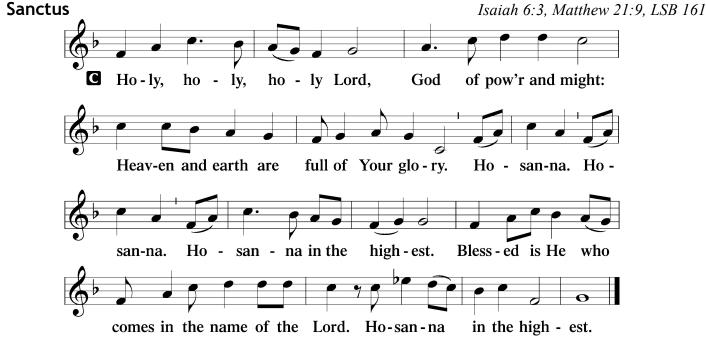
Offertory Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19; LSB 159 What shall I for С ren-der to the Lord all His ben-e-fits to me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will call of the Lord. I will take the cup of salon the name tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my va vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem. +++Service of the Sacrament+++





Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, encouraged by their faith and strengthened by their fellowship, may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24, Luke 22:19-20 1 Corinthians 11:23-25; LSB 162

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."
- P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Revelation 22:20

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

 P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

LSB 161

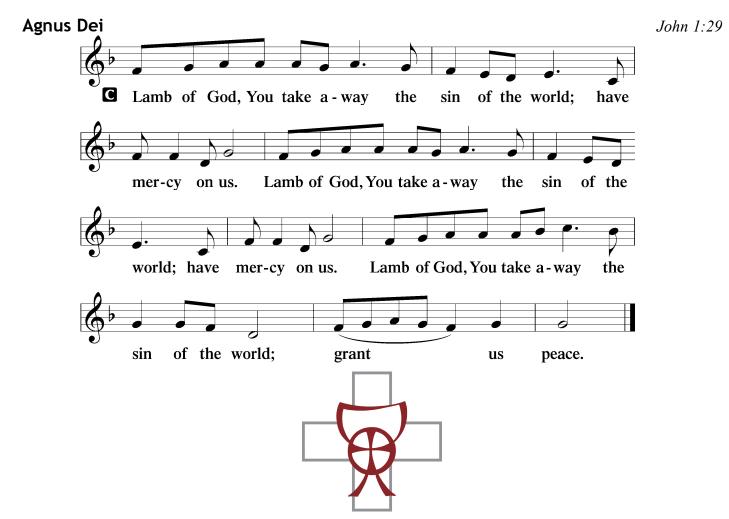
1 Corinthians 11:26 ord's death

Matthew 6:9–13

Pax Domini

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

Sit



Distribution

Communicants are asked to hold their hand open to receive the bread so the elder may discern who is confirmed. Gluten-free wafers are available. Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center circle of individual cups for those who prefer it. If you take an individual cup, please keep it visible; otherwise the Pastor will offer you the common cup.

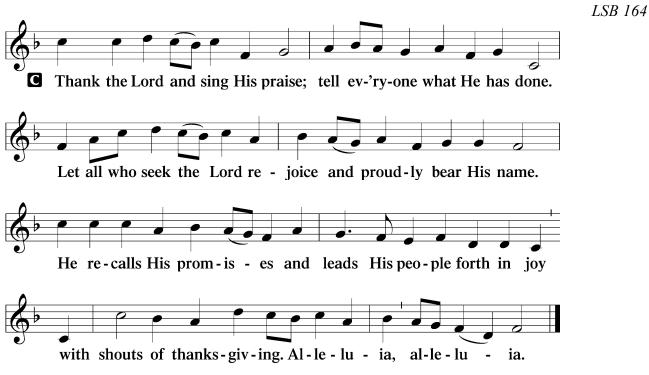
Distribution Hymns

The Lutheran Service Book is located in the basket underneath the chair in front of you.

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise	LSB 680
Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship	LSB 949

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Post-Communion Canticle

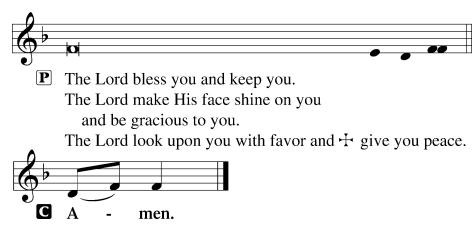


Post-Communion Collect

P 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 in 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.

Benediction



Numbers 6:24–26

LSB 166

"Thank the Lord,"

Recessional Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" LSB 700



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88 Tune: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-87

Announcements

Dismissal

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

Postlude

An offering may be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

A Prayer after Worship

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Sunday School - Children K - 5th Grade

Sunday school classes begin at 9:25 am in Room 116 for music. At 10:30 am parents may pick up K - 5th graders from Room 113.

Jr. IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 am with Scott Peters in Room 119 for a Bible study.

Sr. IMPACT Bible Class

Students meet at 9:30 am with in Room 122..

Adult Bible Class

Pastor Shaltanis leads a study over the Gospel of Mark.

Adult Bible Class Small Group Alternative

Mike Kunschke leads a study on the book of Acts at 9:30 am in Room 115.

Thank You for Praying

Thanks for praying for Max and Yanitza's wedding. Also thanks for prayers for Max after his accident. He is healing and thankful for all the prayers as he continues to get better.

Flower Chart Binder is in the Narthex - Many Dates Available!

The flower chart consists of monthly pages in a binder on a table in the narthex. Each monthly page has the Sundays listed with space for your name and the occasion you wish to recognize for each arrangement. A suggested donation of \$40 per Flower arrangement may be made when the occasion is near by placing a check in the offering plate with a "flowers" notation. You are welcome to take your arrangement home after the last service of the day. Currently, November 20 and 27 are available. Please contact the church office if you would like either of these Sundays.

Voters' Meeting December 4, 2022

Please plan to attend our semi-annual voters' meeting. Topics covered will be the English District partnership, budget, financial update and the state of the parish. If you would like more information, there will be two open forums on the new partnership on Wednesday, November 9th at 7pm, and Sunday, November 13th at 7pm.

Dallas Symphony Orchestra and Chorus Holiday Concert

Yes, it is time to think about attending the Dallas Symphony Orchestra and Chorus Holiday Concert. This year we will be attending on Sunday, December 11, at 3:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending, please add your name to the list on the table in the narthex. The tickets are \$40 each. At this time, the Symphony Association is indicating that masks will NOT be required. Payment for the tickets will be due no later than Sunday, November 6, as the symphony is requiring payment one month prior to the concert date. Adding your name to the list does not obligate you to attend; however tickets will not be purchased for you until payment is received. Envelopes will be provided for returning your payment to Gail Senter. Cash or checks made out to Lord of Life Lutheran Church will be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Gail at 972.672.5769 or gail.senter@yahoo.com.

Portals of Prayer/Lutheran Witness

If you would like to make a donation to cover your cost of the <u>Portals of Prayer</u> and the <u>Lutheran</u> <u>Witness</u>, please place a check for \$20 in the offering plate with the notation "Lutheran Witness".

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When you shop at Amazon, use the link: *http://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-2109773* when you log on and your purchases will benefit Lord of Life Lutheran Church. We received \$198.49 as a result of AmazonSmile activity between April 1 and June 30, 2022! Thank you!

Tom Thumb A "Good Neighbor" to Lord of Life

If you shop Tom Thumb regularly, complete a Reward Card application (available from the cashier) and link your card to **Good Neighbor Code #2775**. From then on, your purchases will benefit Lord of Life Lutheran Church. We received \$60.33 from Tom Thumb purchases between April 1 and June 30, 2022! Thank you!

Community Rewards

If you shop Kroger regularly, link your Kroger Plus Card to Lord of Life (**BW594**) in their Community Rewards program, then your purchases will benefit Lord of Life Lutheran Church. This selection **must be renewed every August** (*www.kroger.com/account/communityrewards*) or it is dropped from your Kroger Plus Card – check your receipts if you're not sure where your rewards are going. We received \$62.30 from 22 households with Kroger purchases between May 27, 2021 and August 27, 2022! Thank you!

A Life Thought in the Church Year

God intends and imparts life (Luke 20:38). He wills life for every human being. He wills life even where the world witnesses only darkness, despair, and dying (Luke 20:29-32). He works life no matter how young or how old a person may be (Psalm 148:12). He works life that neither we nor anyone and anything else may end. Why would we not want to uncover, approach, and announce such a holy ground (Exodus 3:5) to everybody?

CHRIST FOR YOU this Week on KFUO

Study Joshua 21-24 on Sharper Iron's "The Promised Land Delivered" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), finish the book of James and begin the book of Exodus on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and study the First Article of the Creed on Concord Matters (11/12 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at <u>kfuo.org</u> or KFUO Radio app.



Do Lutherans honor and remember the saints?

Yes. Remembering and honoring the saints is very "Lutheran." God's Word and the Lutheran Confessions teach that remembering and honoring the saints is a great thing to do.

Why is it such a great thing to do?

The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, which explains what Lutherans believe, teaches that we honor the saints for three reasons. 1 Thanksgiving. When we honor the saints, we thank God for "showing (his people) examples of his mercy, revealing his will to save men, and giving teachers and other gifts to the church." 2 Strengthening our faith. When we see how our Lord forgives the saints, we are "encouraged to believe that grace does abound more than sin."(Do you remember when Peter, one of the disciples, denied Jesus three times? Even the Apostles sinned and received forgiveness.) 3 "the imitation, first of their faith and then of their other virtues ..." We pray that God would keep us as strong in the faith as they were!



Parents: Explain to your children that we are not praying to the saints; we are simply honoring them on a special day in the Church Year. Remind them that, when we die, we will be with our Lord in heaven, which is where the saints are right now!

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ROBERT DAVID PREUS Pastor, Professor, President and Scholar

BORN: OCTOBER 16, 1924 St. Paul, Minn. DIED: NOVEMBER 4, 1995 Shorewood, Minn.

The NAME PREUS IS AN IMPORTANT ONE in the story of Norwegian Lutheranism in America. Because of Robert Preus and his brother, J.A.O. Preus II, it also became an important one in The Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod. At first, Robert Preus intended to become a pastor in the Norwegian Lutheran Church in America, but he changed his mind because false doctrine was tolerated at their seminary. He moved to the seminary of the "Little Norwegian Synod" (today's Evangelical Lutheran Synod) and became its first graduate. For the next decade, he pastored congregations while continuing his education and even earning a doctorate in theology from the University of Edinburgh. Several years later, he earned a second one from the University of Strasbourg.

By 1957, Preus was an up-and-coming theological scholar. Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (CSL), called him to its faculty where he taught doctrinal theology for 17 years. This also placed him at the center of the Missouri Synod "civil war" that was brewing and then fought especially at CSL. There, Preus was an articulate defender of biblical doctrine that some of his colleagues were attacking. So, for example, he wrote, spoke and taught that the Bible was absolutely true and without error because God Himself had inspired it.

The synodical crisis climaxed in February 1974. Most of the students and faculty at CSL walked out to protest the disciplinary actions being taken. Preus and four other faculty remained, and Preus worked intensively to keep the seminary going, but now with a renewed commitment to the truths that the Missouri Synod had always stood for.

Some months later, Concordia Theological Seminary in Springfield, Ill., called him to become its president. After just about a year, he led the seminary when it moved to Fort Wayne. Under Preus, the seminary became well-known for its commitment to orthodox Lutheran doctrine and for reaching the unreached with the Gospel. Special programs were developed to train pastors from different ethnic groups and additional degree programs were developed beyond the Master of Divinity.

Preus was also active outside of the Missouri Synod. He was on the Committee on Bible Translation that oversaw the translation of the New International Version of the Bible, and he served on the Council of Biblical Inerrancy.

In 1989, the seminary's Board of Regents decided to retire Preus in spite of his objections. This led to turmoil that did not subside until the 1992 convention restored Preus to the presidency for the next school year. He retired in 1993 and died two years later.

For more information about the 175th anniversary of the LCMS, visit *lcms.org/175*.





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Serving Our Worship Today:		
Pastor: Organist: Acolyte: French Horr Altar Guild: Elder: Greeter: Ushers: Sound:	Pastor Joel Shaltanis Victoria Frinsko Robert Duff Curtis Peters Nancy Cawood, Beverly Moudy Mike Kunschke, Doug Hite Scarth Family, Charis Bennett and Cheryl Tyler David Messinger, Jeff Loewecke Brian Wolf, Randy Rippey	
This Week at L 8:00 am 9:30 am	30 am Children's Sunday School (K-5 th Gr, Room 113) Jr IMPACT Class (Room 119) Sr IMPACT Class (Room 122) Adult Bible Class (Fellowship Hall)	Next Sunday's Readings November 13, 2022 Old Testament: Mal. 4:1–6 Epistle: 2 Thess. 3:(1–5) 6–13 Gospel: Luke 21:5–28 (29–36)
10:45 am 12:30 pm Tuesday, Novemb 7:00 pm	Adult Bible Small Class (Room 115) Late Worship Service Jr. Confirmation ber 8 Elders	FIAltar
Wednesday, Nove 10:00 am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	ember 9 Mid-Week Bible Study Mid-Week Bible Study Adult Choir Open Forum	The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Nora Parrent in loving memory of Leo; and by the elders.



About the Cover: Whether the sun has risen or set on labors of the saints of the Lord in this life, all in heaven and on earth exult in the glory of Christ. For the Church spreads both geographically across the world and also temporally across all time. God be praised! He has brought forgiveness through Christ Jesus, who not only has gone to the grave but also rose from the dead to never die again (Romans 6:9).