

# OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

## SUNDAY WORSHIP



**November 5, 2023**

**All Saints Sunday**

*ELW is Evangelical Lutheran Worship, our red hymn book located in the pew rack in front of you. The songs are in the back half of the book, with the song number at the top of the page.*

*\*An asterisk indicates the congregation should stand in body and/or spirit.*

***Congregation's speaking and singing parts are in bold font.***

**PRELUDE** - *Entrance Prayer* (Tune: Dirait-on, by Morten Lauridsen; Text: R.R.)

*As we enter a sacred place of God, and bring to God our soul-light*

*And leave behind all pretense, of on our own, of what we own*

*Come and be with God, come today, listen for the song*

*Let God's love upon you lay, and open now to hear it now.*

*There is quiet there is no other way, to hear what God is singing*

*Upon you now the Spirit, to take away burdens away*

**WELCOME AND GENEROSITY STORY**

**\*GATHERING HYMN** - ELW #715- *Christ Be Our Light*

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be God, † who forms us, bears the cross, and makes our joy complete. **Amen.**

Let us pause before God, one another, and all of creation in humility, confessing where we've fallen short.

*Silence is kept for reflection*

Steadfast and faithful God,

**you have revealed the way, yet we fail to follow. We are overwhelmed by the world. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you, our neighbor, all of creation, forgive us. Renew and lead us back to you, setting us on your path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**Amen.**

Beloved in Christ.... In † Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

**Amen.**

## \*GREETING

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

And also with you.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17** (pg. 249)

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3** (pg. 240)

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *ELW #878 (vs 5)*

### Soli Deo Gloria

5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and  
gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry  
cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and  
sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:  
So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: SOLI DEO GLORIA, Marty Haugen

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

**\*GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12** (pg. 4)

...This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY-** *We Are People Transforming* (see insert)

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*After each petition of the prayers:*

God in your mercy, **Receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## **\*EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

**OFFERING Music** - *Testify to Love* - by Paul Field

**\*OFFERING PRAYER** - *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (*all sing*)

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise

While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love

Teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.

Almighty God, your love is cast, like seed upon the ground

O let the dew of grace appear, and righteous fruits abound.

## **\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

*This is Christ's table. You and all are welcome here, without exception. Please follow the ushers' direction, filling in the communion rail starting on the right side. You may stand or kneel. If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your heart. Gluten free wafers are available. The wine is red; the grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.*

## **COMMUNION**

Jesus invites you to the table. Come, eat and live.

## **COMMUNION MUSIC - ELW # 482 I Come With Joy (all sing)**

For All the Saints

Always Remember Me (Israeli tune)

## **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

### **SENDING PRAYER (said in unison)**

*O God,*

**you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils and joys unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

## **SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **\*BLESSING**

**\*SENDING HYMN** - *Holy God Wrapped in Light* (Tune: Red River Valley; Text: R.R.)

1. Holy God wrapped in Light clothed in honor; Stretch the heavens and Earth where you tend. Blow the wind of your fire in your telling; Flame our hearts on the paths where you send.
2. Let your springs gush through mountains and valleys; May each creature and plant drink anew. With the birds of the air and their nesting; May we dwell in your household with you.
3. For the sun and the moon are our neighbors; And the darkness and daylight our friend. And the seas great and wide our companion; Flame our hearts, on your grace we depend.
4. You have promised a life so abundant; Where you steer us on ventures anew. Grant the courage to tread where you take us; Grant us faith to abide close to you.

**\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** - *Sing a New Song* - by Dan Schutte

*You are welcome to leave anytime during the postlude or stay to listen. Please join us for coffee and conversation on the Patio.*

**Welcome to Our Saviour's**



ELCA

Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us (Ephesians 2:14). You are welcome at Our Saviour's because of who you are. We are a congregation of longtime church-goers, newcomers, seekers, seasonal visitors, and returners with diverse backgrounds, life experiences, and beliefs. We follow a familiar Lutheran service with piano, organ, and guest musicians. We celebrate the cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity of the Tucson region and seek to be a place of belonging for all. We welcome those who have felt or been excluded from church spaces because of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, financial status, or any other reason. We like the sound of young people in worship, we value the experience of our elders, and all ages between. Our communion table is Christ's table, and all people are welcome, no exceptions. Your presence here builds up the body of Christ.

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## Today at Our Saviour's Sunday Learning

10:30AM - Chapel

### All Saints Sunday - November 5

Today we will celebrate All Saints Day. All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. We will remember in worship those who have died in the past year. We will share in a time of storytelling and remembrance of our loved ones as we did last year. We will be passing the mic to share stories.

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### Our Saviour's Saints, November 1, 2022 - October 31, 2023

Betty Skudder died February 5, 2023

Lois Kress died April 13, 2023

Phyllis Smith died April 23, 2023

Ian Neff died September 17, 2023

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### Sunday Sandwich Spectacular

Three days a week, hungry people in our neighborhood are fed at the welcome center at Grace St. Paul Episcopal Church (five blocks from here). We help make sandwiches for their Monday program. You can help by giving about 45 minutes of your time after worship each Sunday to work alongside others from Our Saviour's. Join us today if you can! Talk to Vicar Wendi about how to get involved or sign-up at [vicar@lutherantucson.org](mailto:vicar@lutherantucson.org).

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### Prayer Requests:

Our Saviour's Family: Betty, Phyllis, Mary, Kevin, Erik, Doug, Nicole, Thomas, and Linda

Our Extended Friends & Family: Dale and Diane (friends of Kay Ijams); Megan (niece of Chris & Theda Doak); Melissa (friend of Chris & Theda Doak); Vickie (former Our Saviour's youth director); Richard (neighbor); Pete (brother of Gloria Alvillar)



*Names will remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for longer.*

## Grief Ministry

The Grief Ministry group will be meeting on Tuesday November 7 at 1:00PM in the Patio Room

## Quilters Group Schedule Change

The Quilters group will be meeting on Tuesday November 7 due to the Thanksgiving holiday this month.

## ICS Holiday Food Drive

November to December 31

The ICS Food Bank gratefully accepts prepackaged, canned, non-perishable and in-date items: peanut butter, canned meats, cranberry sauce, pasta, rice, beans, pasta sauce, turkey stuffing mix, mac and cheese, boxed cake and baking mix. Please put items in the shopping cart that is on the patio on Sundays.



## TIHAN Holiday Gift Drive



Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network  
*Helping People with HIV to Live Well*

It's the time for giving! Please help our TIHAN Care Partners living with HIV to have happier holidays. We are collecting new, unwrapped, unused gifts with values of \$15-\$25 that would be useful for men over 50, as well as \$25 gift cards to Walmart, Target or Fry's. Gift suggestions include practical household items. Please stop by the patio table for more information or to drop off your gifts through Sunday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>. For questions, contact Mary Pflibsen at [marypflib@hotmail.com](mailto:marypflib@hotmail.com). Thank you for caring!

### THOSE SERVING TODAY (11/05/23)

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Amalia Vagts
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Ginny Phillips
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Kathy DeVinney and Bonnie Phelps
<b>Pianist</b>	Ron Rude
<b>Musicians</b>	Chancel Band - Michael Marty, Jack O'Brien, Jordan Fouts, David Lester, and Ron Rude
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ginny Phillips
<b>Usher</b>	Jeanne Gacke and Ted Adams
<b>Greeters</b>	Gloria Schmidt
<b>Coffee Host</b>	
<b>Treats</b>	Melissa Wyatt

### THOSE SERVING SUNDAY (11/12/23)

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Amalia Vagts
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Bill DeVinney
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Patty Sirls and Bonnie Phelps
<b>Pianist</b>	Gréta Pásztor
<b>Cantor</b>	Nilu Dorschner
<b>Musicians</b>	Choir
<b>Acolyte</b>	Elizabeth Jamison
<b>Usher</b>	Dianne Siefkas and Elizabeth Jamison
<b>Greeters</b>	Scott Koenig
<b>Coffee Host</b>	David Lester
<b>Treats</b>	Nancy Rude

## Online Offering

We have partnered with the ELCA and Tithely to offer secure online giving. Scan the image below using your smart phone to make your offering. Or, contact the church office to set up regular online giving.



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## Sunday Worship Times

9:00 - Sanctuary

Coffee following

10:30 Learning

## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

## Ministry Team

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## *This Week at Our Saviour's*

**November 5, 2023**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>
Monday 11/06	Staff Meeting	10:00AM	Office
	Handbells	6:30PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday 11/07	Men's Bible Study	6:30PM	AB Café
	Dwelling in the Word	12:15PM	Chapel
	Grief Ministry	1:00PM	Patio Room
Wednesday 11/08	Bible Study	10:30AM	AB Pocket Room
	LCM Dinner and Worship	6:00PM	LCM House
Thursday 11/09	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:30PM	AB
Friday 11/10	Campus/Office Closed		
Saturday 11/11			
Sunday 11/12	Worship 9:00AM	9:00AM	Sanctuary
	Sunday Learning	10:30AM	AB Café
	Sandwich Making	10:30AM	AB Kitchen

Please see online calendar for all events.

### **PACKATHON 2023 – WHAT A SUCCESS!**

The multi-faith Packathon was held on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Over 175 volunteers gathered at the Muslim Community Center of Tucson and worked side-by-side with people of other faiths for three hours to package 50,000 meals for the Tucson community. The dry food meals are formulated by The Outreach Program, which has been helping to administer these major packing events for 20 years all around the country. Timothy and I were joined by volunteers from Catalina Methodist, the Muslim Center, St. James UMC, the UA Hillel Foundation, the UA Lutheran Campus Ministry, and Davis-Monthan AFB. Our Saviour's and the LDS church provided generous financial contributions. So after all of that hard work, where do the 50,000 packed meals go? Following the event, volunteers are continuing to work to distribute the food to organizations such as The Gospel Rescue Mission, La Frontera, the Salvation Army, Casas Alitas, the Z Mansion, Fuente de Vida, and the Marana Community Food Bank. A big thank you to everyone at Catalina that contributed financially to this effort and to our dozens of volunteers that came to the event.

Thank you. Sheila Bustamante

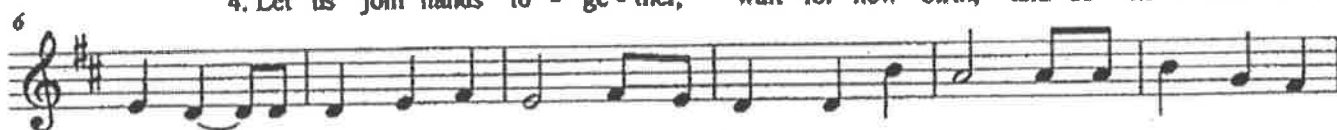
# We Are People Transforming

Text: Sharon L. Reinbott

Music: Cathy Skogen-Soldner



1. We are peo - ple trans - form - ing, seeds in the earth; we are lif - ted by
2. But we turn to our com - fort, rules we re - spect; and we turn from the
3. We be - hold God's be - lov - eds, wi - den our view, and our hearts sweet - ly
4. Let us join hands to - ge - ther, wait for new birth, and be lif - ted in



God's love, to die to new birth. We e - merge ten - der shoots, in the Spir - it our  
mis' - ry of those we ne - glect. All our turn - ing's in vain, nev - er sooth - ing the  
sof - ten, to love them a - new. Our in - dif - frence a - side, and with Je - sus as

God's own em - brace of the earth, Where we of - fer a - new bro - ken hearts that are



roots. We are dy - ing, we are ris - ing and bear - ing much fruit.  
strain Of our hearts now break - ing o - pen to all of their pain.  
Guide, We in - car - nate His com - pas - sion, with hearts o - pen wide.  
true: In our dy - ing and a - ris - ing, trans - formed and made new.

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