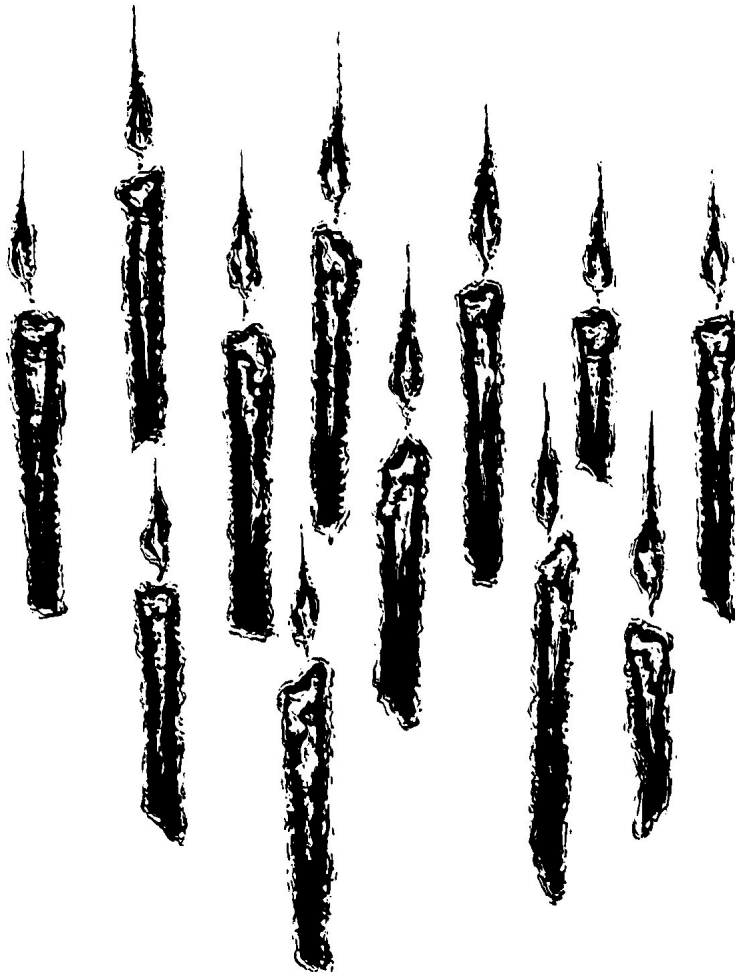


OUR SAVIOUR'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship

All Saints Day, November 1, 2026



WELCOME

Your presence builds up the body of Christ. We welcome and affirm God's diversity, including all ethnicities, cultures, races, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, abilities, ages, and life experiences. You are invited to full participation in our congregation because of who you are. We lament and confess how the Christian Church has withheld Christ's love by misusing the power of institution. We commit to advocating for God's justice and mercy for all of creation, including humans. We commit to anti-racism and other ways of ending systems that cause harm. Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us. Our communion table is Christ's table. You and all people are welcome without exception.

Welcome Newcomers

We hope you are comfortable here. The right-side margin contains details about the service and readings to help you connect more fully with worship. You can find more details for newcomers on the back page of the bulletin. We are glad you are here - you are welcome in this space because of who you are.

Being Lutheran

As Lutherans, we see, hear, teach, and follow Jesus for the sake of our neighbor. Neighbor means anyone other than us, including creation. We see God in vulnerability - God meets us at the cross. In our deepest pain, God is present. Baptized into Christ, we live a new life - claimed and named forever as God's beloved. In the bread and wine of communion, we receive and share Christ with all of creation. This is because of who God is, not because of what we do (or don't do). We receive God's grace through faith - in Scripture, the living word of God, and the sacraments of baptism and communion, which transform our lives so that we love and serve God, our neighbor and all of creation. A transformed life is one centered in Christ by the Spirit, following and trusting in God alone; freed to love, liberate, and serve.

An asterisk indicates the congregation should stand in body and/or spirit. Congregation's speaking and singing parts are in bold font.

As we prepare for worship, take time to look around, to settle in, to receive the Holy Spirit's presence.

PRELUDE *For All the Saints*

arranged by R. Vaugh Williams & Joseph Barnby -Bell Choir



WELCOME

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.
Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
**we confess that we have trusted in our preparation
instead of your invitation.**
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven.
Blessed are you.
Amen.

As we confess, rise and face the baptismal font in the back.

*GATHERING HYMN ACS #978 God Welcomes All

God Welcomes All

*Turn in the direction of
the cross as it passes
by.*

God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: AMEN THEMBA, South African traditional; transc. and arr. John L. Bell.

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*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.

*KYRIE

- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.

We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, ¹⁷ for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

PSALM 34:1-10, 22(Pulpit Side - Regular; Piano Side - Bold)

¹ I will bless the Lord at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

² **I will glory in the Lord; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt God’s name together.

⁴ **I sought the Lord, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.**

⁵ Look upon the Lord and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶ **I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.**

⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord and delivers them.

⁸ **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**

⁹ Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

¹⁰ **The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**

²² **O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.**

SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-3

¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The vivid and often violent imagery used in Revelation may cause two results. One neglects the book as too foreign to our experience and way of thinking. The second obsesses with end-time speculations. It presumes the “real” meaning had nothing to do with 1st century Christianity but only us. Both approaches lose sight of the book’s core purpose: to live with hope in trying times. In our reading, Revelation celebrates the reign of God even in the face of martyrdom and death.

Tradition links the authorship of the Gospel of John with this letter. It is unclear whether this letter was written to a specific church, or was a general letter to many. Several things are clear. The community(ies) addressed suffered division. Opponents split off. The primary response and ethic this letter summons for those who remain is love. Finally, hope for the children of God is grounded in God’s eventual revealing. For in that revealing will come our transformation.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*GOSPEL

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

GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.

² And he began to speak 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 will be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The gospel of Jesus Christ. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

*Listen deeply as the
gospel lesson is being
read*

Soli Deo Gloria



1 O God of bless - ings, all praise to you! Your love sur -
 2 All praise for proph - ets, through grace in - spired to preach and
 3 All praise for mu - sic, deep gift pro - found, through hands and
 4 All praise for Je - sus, best gift di - vine through word and
 5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and



rounds us our whole life through. You are the
 wit - ness with hearts on fire. Your Spir - it
 voic - es in ho - ly sound; the psalms of
 wit - ness, in bread and wine; in - car - nate
 gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry



free - dom of those op - pressed; you are the com - fort of all dis -
 choos - es the weak and small to sing the new reign where might - y
 Da - vid, and Mar - y's praise, in word - less splen - dor and lyr - ic
 love song of bound - less grace, priest, teach - er, proph - et in time and
 cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and



tressed. Come now, O ho - ly and wel - come guest:
 fall; with them may we live your gos - pel call:
 phrase, with all cre - a - tion one song we raise:
 space, your stead - fast kind - ness with hu - man face:
 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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***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

A brief silence.

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

***EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

OFFERING

Let There Be Peace on Earth by Sy Miller and Jill Jackson Bell Choir

During this time, we receive the offering of music and take time to reflect on what God has given to us. In this season of noticing and caring for God's gifts to us we will not pass the collection plate. Please use the time for reflection and prayer. You may leave a financial offering or green slip in the offering plate as you leave worship today.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

OUR SAVIOUR’S SAINTS
November 3, 2025 - November 1, 2026

Isobel Barnhill D. Schatzi Taylor	Date of Death
	January 9, 2026 May 18, 2026
Harper Hasenkamp Lennon Hewitt Bastian Burdges	Date of Baptism
	April 26, 2026 June 14, 2026
	August 23, 2026



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After you have come forward for communion or a blessing, you are welcome to light a candle in memory or honor of the saints who have formed your faith.

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

God be with you. **And also with you.**

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

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

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
you have brought us this far along the way.

**In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,
but guided us into the path of love and light.**

**In every age you sent prophets
to make known your loving will for all humanity.**

**The cry of the poor has become your own cry;
our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.**

**In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant
to preach good news to the afflicted,
to break bread with the outcast and despised,
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.**

In the night in which he was betrayed...

...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen. **Amen!**

...Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen. **Amen!**

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all
glory and honor is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy and compassion of God who is with us as Parent
and Creator, we pray as Jesus taught,

**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.*

*Offering prayer and
communion liturgy is
from "This Far By
Faith," a Lutheran
hymnal released in
1999 that was a
collaborative project
between the ELCA
and the Lutheran
Church-Missouri
Synod to enrich
worship by
incorporating gifts of
African American
songs, words, and
traditions.*

*You are welcome to
pray using other
versions, words, or
languages that may
be more familiar to
you. Jesus taught this
form of prayer to the
disciples to
encourage sincere
and meaningful
conversation with
God.*

COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table.

All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

COMMUNION HYMNS



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

ELW #471 Let Us Break Bread Together

ELW #423 Shall We Gather at the River

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Live in forgiveness. Claim your wholeness. Dwell in peace. Amen.

SENDING PRAYER

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT

Paula Miller

*BLESSING

Sunday, November 8 - following worship

Celebrating five years of shared ministry
with Our Saviour's and Pastor Amalia.

Come and celebrate!



*The Post Communion
Blessing is from Rev.
Phyllis Zillhart, former
pastor at St. Francis
Lutheran Church in
San Francisco, an
early leader in
welcome for LGBTQ+
people in the Lutheran
church.*

*SENDING HYMN ELW #723 Canticle of Turning

Canticle of the Turning



Turn to follow the cross as it passes and leads us to love and service in the world.



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



Refrain
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat
Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional
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*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God!

Prayer Requests: Paul Stum; Chris Doak; Alecia Chrin; Justin Schneider; Gerry Meyer; Corky Ronstadt; Mary Neff; Lydia Slipp; Family & Friends of John Petrik (Wendi Van Beek's father); and all at home and in care facilities.

Our Extended Community: Friends and Family of Kathy Gregory upon the death of her husband Gary (friends of Ann and Bill DeVinney); Liz (friend of Mary Wildner-Bassett); Sarah (great niece of Donna Lounsbury); Becky (Daughter of Mary Wildner-Bassett); Josh, Mary Ann (friends of Chris and Theda Doak); Megan (niece of Chris and Theda Doak); Jennifer, Sally, and Ashley, Gwen, and Tyler on the passing of their daughter Elora (friends of Kathy DeVinney); Grant and Shirley (brother and sister-in-law of Theda Doak); Daniel (neighbor's son of Gloria Schmidt); Will (nephew of Chris and Theda Doak); Leaticia, Azogan, Sidibe, and Zinsou, (friends of Rachel Starner); Mary Etta (friend of Suzanne Hesh); Rita (friend of John and Judy Indermark); Nancy (friend of Cindy Bales); Marcus and his care team (friend of Suzanne Hesh).

Names will generally remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for renewal. Please contact the church office for corrections, updates, and additions.

OVERVIEW OF TODAY'S SCRIPTURE:

The readings for All Saints Day celebrate why the faithful before us did not live or die in vain. Nor do we. Revelation summons hope in a vision of God renewing life beyond the bounds of this time. The psalmist testifies to a personal experience of God's deliverance that serves as a call to hope for others. The letter of John speaks of the mystery of God's revealing that will in turn transform us. Jesus's Beatitudes in Matthew declares "blessed" those not usually seen as blessed by the world. Their blessedness is not limited to what will be, but what is now, for such ones.

THOSE SERVING THIS SUNDAY 11/1/2026

- Presiding Minister** Rev. Amalia Vagts
- Assisting Minister** Linda Zizka
- Communion Assistants** Deacon Wendi Van Beek, Patty Sirls
- Acolyte** Mo Krieg
- Keyboard** Dawn Hartley
- Cantor** Joy Bulawa
- Music** Bell Choir
- Usher** Kathy DeVinney, Mo Krieg
- Greeter** Gloria Schmidt
- Cross Bearer** Mo Krieg
- Coffee Host** David Lester
- Treats** Joanna Keyl
- Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante
- Scripture Background** John Indermark

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY 11/08/2026

- Presiding Minister** Rev. Amalia Vagts
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- Communion Assistants** Deacon Wendi Van Beek, John Indermark
- Acolyte** Jennifer Strand
- Keyboard** Dawn Hartley
- Cantor** Bill DeVinney
- Music** Bill DeVinney
- Usher** Kris Sanchez, Patty Sirls
- Greeter** Judy Indermark
- Cross Bearer** Jennifer Strand
- Coffee Host** Joanna Keyl
- Treats** Call Committee
- Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante
- Scripture Background** John Indermark



Newcomers + We're glad you're here. Please fill out the green slip in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You're welcome to share in Holy Communion.

Families + we have a small play area (pray-ground) up front. The joyful sounds and movements of children in worship are the welcome sounds of children growing in faith. Parents, thank you for doing the hard work of worshipping with children. This congregation is here to support you.

Hearing Assistance + headphones are available to assist in hearing the service. Please contact an usher to get set up with one.

Nametags + Nametags help us get to know and remember each other. Please let the ushers know if you need one made for you.

Expansive Language + As Lutherans, we teach that "God calls all creation into being and gives people language as a way of responding to God and forming community" (Principles for Worship, Principle L-1). In worship at Our Saviour's, we seek to use expansive language for God and people, sometimes changing or offering alternatives to the printed text.

Liturgy + Our sung liturgy is from Setting 10, ELW

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