Offertory ~ LBW p. 66 *Let the Vineyards*

Offering Prayer
Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,
Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+

Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface ~ LBW p. 68

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) ~ LBW p. 69

Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution ~ LBW p. 70
(The pastor leads us in prayer, followed by the words which Jesus spoke when he instituted communion. With these words, the bread and the wine are consecrated or "set apart" for God's use in this special meal).

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.
Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

Lord's Prayer ~ LBW p. 71

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ~ LBW p. 72 ~ *Lamb of God*

Motet

Holy Communion
(Be seated while you wait to be invited forward to receive the Lord's Supper. Those who prefer to drink from an individual cup may take one from the tray as they proceed into the half-circle; a few cups are pre-filled with grape juice. Those who prefer the common cup may drink directly from the chalice, or dip the bread into it. Return to the seat by the side aisle, placing any empty cups in the tray provided there. All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.)

Post-Communion Canticle ~ LBW p. 72 *Thank the Lord and sing his praise*
(We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. In this song or chant, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)

+ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD +

Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction ~ LBW p. 74
Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.
Congregation: Amen.

Pastor (chanting): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Congregation (chanting): Amen.

Recessional Hymn ~ **LBW #351** *Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand* LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN

Dismissal
Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 1 – All Saints Sunday
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
Tuesday and Thursday
9am-2pm First Friends
Saturday, November 7
7:00 pm Movie Night!
Sunday, November 8 – The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Evan McClanahan, Pastor
Dr. Mario Aschauer, Organist and Choir Director
Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends
Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator
Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

Cindy Scott	Assisting Minister
Alejandro Acosta	Crucifer/Server
David Hokanson, Steve Bing, Clint Pustejovsky	Usher
Adalyn McClanahan, Charlene Kelley	Altar Guild
Matthew Scott	Audio/Video
Mario Aschauer	Organist/Choir Director
Evan McClanahan	Liturgist, Preacher

FIRST LUTHERAN HOUSTON

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY ~ NOVEMBER 1, 2026
ORDER OF SERVICE

+ WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP +

Upon entering the nave, please prepare for worship by attentively listening to the prelude.

Organ Prelude

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness, *p. 56 (stand)*

Welcome and Announcements

The Ringing of the Bell

Introit *(Choir)*
(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the choir sings. "Introit" means "to enter." Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)
Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honor of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God. V. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for the upright.

Processional Hymn ~ **LBW #174** *For All the Saints* SINE NOMINE
(We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)

Greeting and Kyrie ~ LBW p. 57

Hymn of Praise ~ LBW p. 60 *This is the Feast*

Prayer of the Day ~ LBW p. 36
Pastor: Let us pray ...
Congregation: Amen.

+ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD +

First Lesson ~ Revelation 7:9-17
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. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 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, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that 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. 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. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; 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."
Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

The Psalmody - Psalm 34:1-10, 22 *(chanted responsively)*



1 I will bless the Lord | at all times;*
his praise shall ever be | in my mouth.
2 I will glory | in the Lord;*
let the humble hear | and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness | of the Lord;*
let us exalt his | name together.
4 I sought the Lord, and he | answered me*
and delivered me out of | all my terror.
5 Look upon him | 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 encompasses | those who fear him,*
and he will de- | liver them.
8 Taste and see that the | Lord is good;*
happy are they who | trust in him!
9 Fear the Lord, you that | are his saints,*
for those who fear | him lack nothing.
10 The young lions lack and | suffer hunger,*
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing | that is good.
22 The Lord ransoms the life | of his servants,*
and none will be punished who | trust in him.

The Second Lesson ~ 1 John 3:1-3
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. 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. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.
Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *The congregation is invited to join the "Alleluias"*



V. Rejoice and leap for joy! Your reward will be great in heaven.

The Gospel - Matthew 5:1-12
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord
When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught 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 receive mercy.
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.
P: The Gospel of the Lord!
C: Praise to you O Christ. Alleluia!

The Sermon

Hymn of the Day - LBW #331 *Jerusalem, My Happy Home*
LAND OF REST

The Nicene Creed ~ LBW p. 64

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;
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

The Prayer of the People
Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.
(Each petition will end with the response:)
Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.
Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Congregation: Amen.

The Greeting of Peace
Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Congregation: And also with you.
(We repeat this greeting to those around us as you are comfortable.)

The Offering

Motet
Blessed are those pure in spirit
by C. Graupner / arr. M. Aschauer

Blessed are those pure in spirit
Pure of heart in every way
Those whose deeds and words inherit
Love for truth in God's bright ray
They despise the world's desire,
Turn from sin and earthly pride,
With a steadfast heart abiding
They shall see God glorified.