

*The world
does not know us
[because] it did not know Him*

1 JOHN 3:1



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ALL SAINTS' DAY

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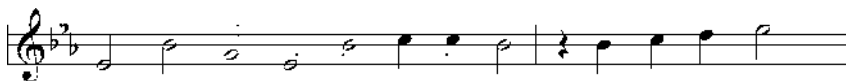
Thoughts as we gather

Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ

"A great multitude ... from all tribes and peoples and languages" cry out, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne" (Rev. 7:9–10). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, "shall see Him as He is" (1 John 3:2). Joined with the throng of angels and countless saints, we shall "serve Him day and night in His temple" (Rev. 7:15). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ, propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

822 Alleluia! Let Praises Ring



1 Al - le - lu - ia!	Let prais-es ring!	To God the Fa -
2 Al - le - lu - ia!	Let prais-es ring!	Un - to the Lamb
3 Al - le - lu - ia!	Let prais-es ring!	Un - to the Ho -
4 Al - le - lu - ia!	Let prais-es ring!	Un - to our tri -



ther	let us bring	Our songs	of ad - o - ra - tion.
of	God we sing,	In whom	we are e - lect - ed.
ly	Ghost we sing	For our	re - gen - er - a - tion.
une	God we sing;	Blest be	His name for - ev - er!



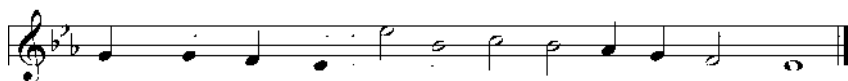
To Him through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon -
He bought His Church with His own blood, He cleansed her in
The sav - ing faith in us He wrought And us un - to
With an - gel hosts let us a - dore And sing His prais -



or, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.
that bless - ed flood, And as His bride se - lect - ed.
the Bride-groom brought, Made us His cho - sen na - tion.
es ev - er - more For all His grace and fa - vor!



Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;
Ho - ly, ho - ly Is our u - nion And com - mu - nion.
Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;
Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.
His be - friend - ing Gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.
There is man - na And an end - less, glad ho - san - na.
Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

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Stand

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

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C 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.

Kneel/Stand

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.**

- P** 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.**

Stand

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b

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.

**In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;
in Your righteousness deliver me.**

For You are my rock and my fortress;
and for Your name's sake You lead me and guide me.

**Into Your hand I commit my spirit;
You have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

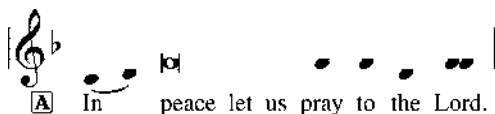
**as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

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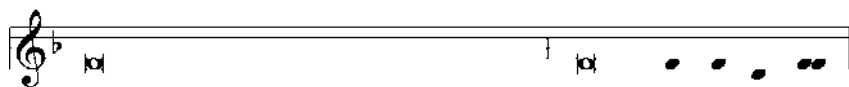
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C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



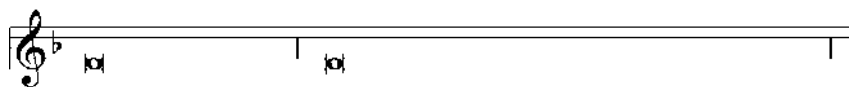
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



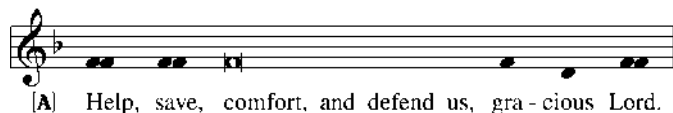
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.

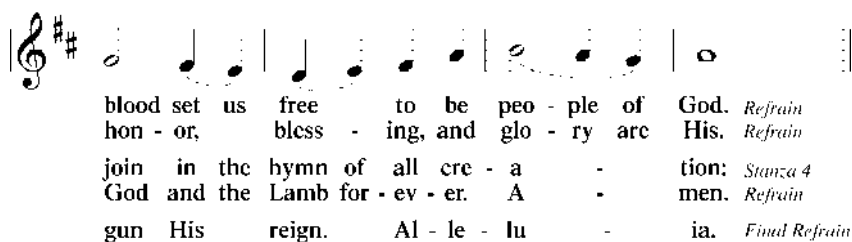
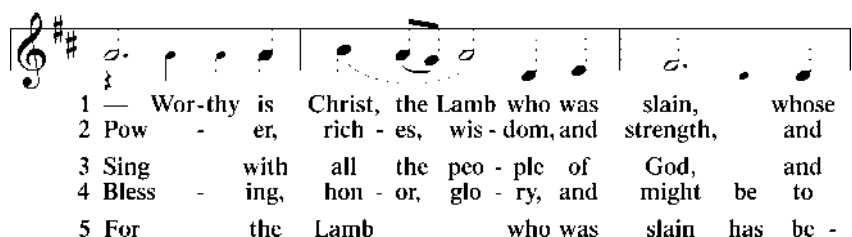
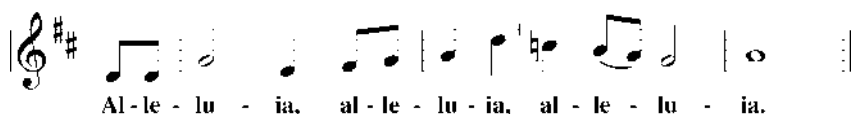


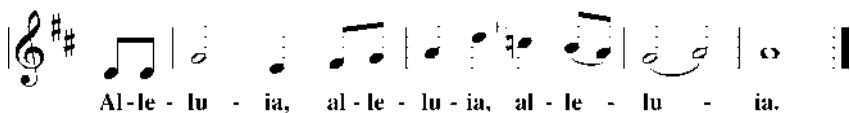
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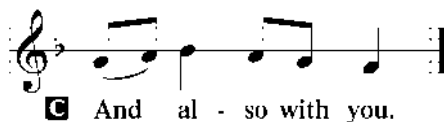
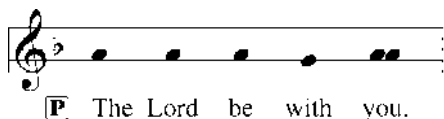
THIS IS THE FEAST

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



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.



Sit

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:2–17

²Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, ³saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.”

⁴And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

- ⁵12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
- 12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
- 12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
- ⁶12,000 from the tribe of Asher,

12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
⁷12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
⁸12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

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."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 149; antiphon: v. 4

¹Praise the LORD!

Sing to the LORD a new song,

His praise in the assembly of the godly!

²**Let Israel be glad in his Maker;**

let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

³Let them praise His name with dancing,

making melody to Him with tambourine and lyre!

**⁴For the LORD takes pleasure in His people;
He adorns the humble with salvation.**

**⁵Let the godly exult in glory;
let them sing for joy on their beds.**

**⁶Let the high praises of God be in their throats
and two-edged swords in their hands,**

**⁷to execute vengeance on the nations
and punishments on the peoples,**

**⁸to bind their kings with chains
and their nobles with fetters of iron,**

⁹to execute on them the judgment written!

This is honor for all His godly ones. Praise the LORD!

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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.

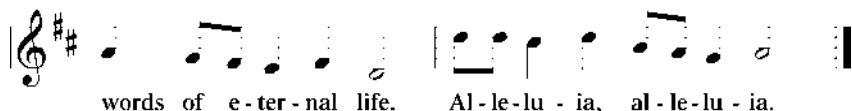
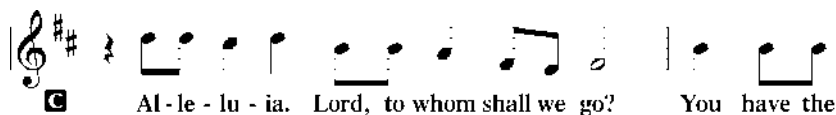
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ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him.

³⁴“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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

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

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.”

¹¹“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all 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

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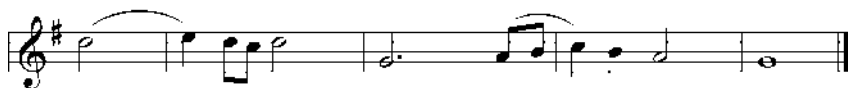
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,
2 Thou wast their rock, their diers, for - tress, and their might;
3 Oh, may Thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,
4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!



Who Thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Thy
 Thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
 Fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old And
 We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; Yet



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 Thou, in the dark - ness dread, their one true light.
 win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold!
 all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.



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

- 5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
 Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
 And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
 Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
 Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:
 The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
 The King of Glory passes on His way.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

- △ 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
 Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
 Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

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SERMON

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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.

Sit

OFFERING



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all whom God has redeemed through the blood of the Lamb, washing them in the saving water of Baptism and bringing them to faith by the Spirit, that He would keep us in faith and in holy fear, lest we depart from His way and be lost to the eternal future He has prepared for us, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the preservation of Matthew, our Synod president; Mike, our district president; James, our circuit visitor; and all pastors, that they would bring us the message of salvation, which belongs to our heavenly Father and to the Lamb, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- P** For our households, that our heavenly Father would bless husbands and wives, parents and children, and those who live alone with the assurance that He knows what we need, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For wisdom, that Donald, our president; Gavin, our governor; and all who make, administer and judge our laws would make decisions that are pleasing unto our heavenly Father, who is worthy of all power, might and honor, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For the sick, the homebound, those who mourn and all the afflicted, [*especially* _____], that God would give them strength to endure in their suffering and in His compassion keep them in the true faith until the day of final deliverance, health and peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, that in faithfulness they would approach the altar, trust the words of Christ, and receive His body and blood for the sustenance of their bodies and souls, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** In thanksgiving for all the saints who rest from their labors, [*including* _____], that the Church on earth would remember them with thanksgiving and joy even as we look forward to seeing them again at the throne of the Lamb, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** For all God's chosen people whom He has knit together in the one mystical body of His Son, that He would give His whole Church in heaven and on earth His light and peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** Lord, have mercy.
- P** Standing with those of every tribe and nation before the throne and before the Lamb, we rejoice and cry out: Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb. To Him be the glory, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

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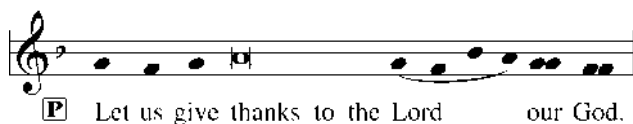
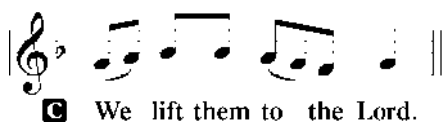
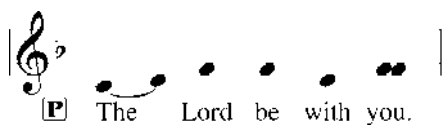
Communion Statement

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an Elder.

PREFACE

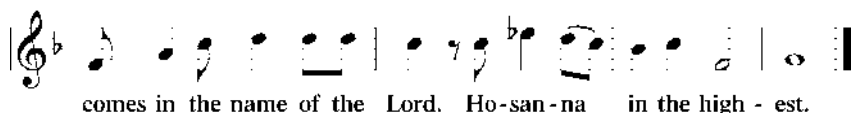
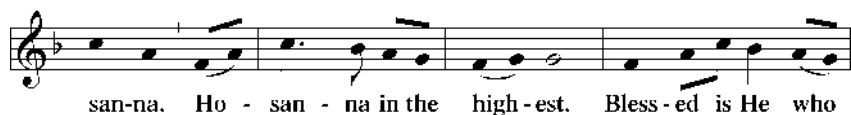
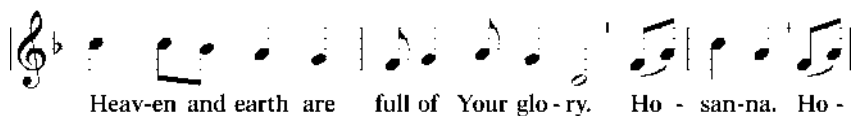
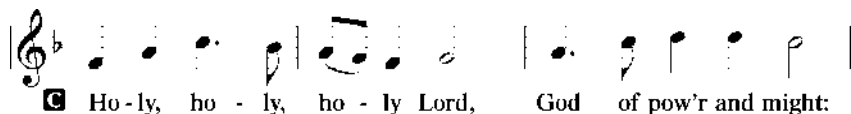
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P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us 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:

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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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.

LORD'S PRAYER

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P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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."

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."

PAX DOMINI

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P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



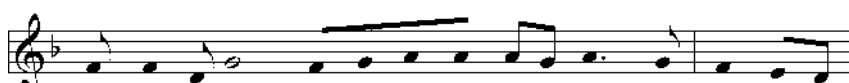
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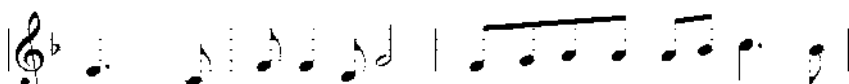
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C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's
2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious
3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you
4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this



wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe
 food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,
 are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,
 food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,

He saved us from the e - vil foe.
 And with the wine the blood He shed.
 His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.
 Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.

5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken
 That this food is to be taken
 By the sick who are distressed,
 By hearts that long for peace and rest.

6 Agony and bitter labor
 Were the cost of God's high favor;
 Do not come if you suppose
 You need not Him who died and rose.

7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor,
 And receive My grace and favor:
 Those who feel no pain or ill
 Need no physician's help or skill.

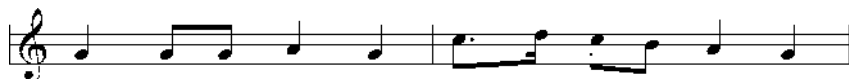
8 "For what purpose was My dying
 If not for your justifying?
 And what use this precious food
 If you yourself were pure and good?"

9 If your heart this truth professes
 And your mouth your sin confesses,
 You will be your Savior's guest,
 Be at His banquet truly blest.

10 Let this food your faith so nourish
 That its fruit of love may flourish
 And your neighbor learn from you
 How much God's wondrous love can do.

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617 O Lord, We Praise Thee



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee.
 2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
 3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy
 Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er
 That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -



bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that
 love than this to Thee could bind us: May this feast there -
 geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this



they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
 blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!



May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us: Grant that



sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us: Give Thy Church, Lord, to see



In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace.

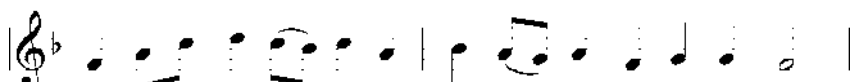
C Amen.

THANK THE LORD

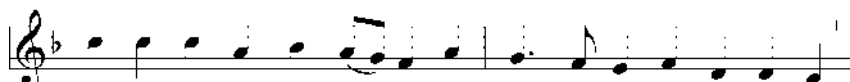
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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



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



He re-calls 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.

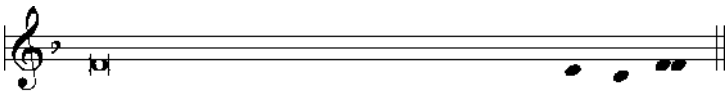
POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

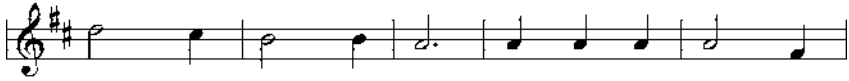


Sit

563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
mer - cy scat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

- 5 When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
This then shall be my only plea:
Jesus hath lived and died for me.
- 6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,
Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thy hands have made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

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THIS WEEK AT ASCENSION

Sun. (11/02)	2:00 a.m.	Daylight Savings Time Ends
<i>All Saints' Day</i>	9:00 a.m.	Service
<i>Observed</i>	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study

Mon. (11/03)	4:00 p.m.	Youth Confirmation Class
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Wed. (11/05)	11:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Confirmation Class

Sat. (11/08)	10:00 a.m.	Grief/Loss Talk
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Sun. (11/09)	9:00 a.m.	Service
	10:30 a.m.	Bible Study
	1:00 p.m.	Voter's Assembly

ATTENDANCE:

10/26/2025	9:00 a.m.	70
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OFFERING:

Needed weekly:	\$ 4,197.00	Needed YTD	\$ 180,471.00
Rec'vd. 10/26/2025	<u>\$ 4,425.00</u>	Rec'vd YTD	<u>\$ 174,040.31</u>
Over Weekly	\$ 228.00	Short YTD	\$ (6,430.69)

SERVING SERVICE TODAY:

ELDER	Ken Porter
HEAD USHER	Bruce Benson

SUNDAY READINGS

The readings for Sunday, November 9, 2025 are:

Exodus 3:1-15

Psalm 148 (antiphon: v. 13)

2 Thessalonians 2:1-8,13-17

Luke 20:27-40

November 2 – All Saints' Day (Observed)

Matthew 5:6 – “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.” You only hunger and thirst for what you don't have. Jesus has come to fill us up with righteousness — His own righteousness. He is the self-giving Lord whose sacrifice inspires us to be givers, too.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome you and invite you to join us for coffee in the Fellowship Hall after service. Be sure to check in with Debbie in the Narthex before service. Visitors are asked to sign the guest book in the Narthex, please include your address and home church. If this is your first time attending Holy Communion at Ascension, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder prior to the service.

CRAFT FAIR

The Craft Fair is going on through December 28 every Sunday after Church in Room 7 in the Office. Our donations this time will be going to Tunnel 2 Towers to support our Veterans and First Responders. If you have anything you would like to add, please let either Kathy Valvo or Kathy Benzow know. We are glad to accept any crafts that you have. Thank you. If you have any questions, feel free to either text or call me (Kathy Valvo) at 760-887-7125.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

YOUTH—Confirmation Class will be held on Monday, November 3 at 4:00 p.m.

ADULT—Confirmation Class will be held on Wednesday, November 5 at 6:00 p.m.

GRIEF TALK

There will be a talk on Grief/Loss on Saturday, November 8 beginning at 10:00 a.m. by Lynn Fairgrief in the Fellowship Hall.

OUTREACH

Continuing today you can pick up cards with food items needed for aCORE Solution's Thanksgiving food basket giveaway or sign-up to purchase a store gift card. Check out the table in the narthex if you wish to participate. Take one or more cards and then bring those items back to church no later than November 9th.

VOTER'S ASSEMBLY

The annual Voter's Assembly will be November 9th at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The meeting will not be available on Zoom. The information for the ballot and the Projected Expenditures is in your Church mailbox. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Benzow.

POTLUCK

On Sunday, November 16th at 12:00 p.m. we are having a Potluck. There is no sign up sheet, just bring what you want. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Valvo via phone or text at 760-887-7125. Hope to see you all there.

Upcoming **EVENTS**

Craft Fair – Now through December 28th (Sundays before and after church service) – Room 7 in the office building

Thanksgiving Food Collection for aCORE Solutions – Going on now through November 9th

Voter's Assembly – Sunday, November 9th at 1:00pm

Congregational Fall Potluck - Sunday, November 16th at 12:00pm

Christmas Toy Drive for the Fire Department's 'Spark of Love Event' – November 16th – 30th

Advent by Candlelight – “The King Shall Come” - Saturday, November 29th at 1:00pm

Congregational Christmas Party – Sunday, December 14th at 12:00pm



31st Annual Kiwanis

High Desert Veterans' Dinner

FREEDOM IS NOT FREE!



Veterans and their one guest are invited to a FREE
Veterans Appreciation Dinner in their honor on:



Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2025



Where: Serrano High School Gym @ 9292 Sheep Creek
Rd, Phelan, 92371

When: Dinner is from 5:00-6:30 PM (doors open at 4:30)



Tickets Required: You must have a ticket to get your meal,
and your ONE guest does too. **Tickets are available at @Pizza Factory
Phelan, Flagstar Banks in Phelan and Wrightwood, Victorville
Motors, and Heritage School's front office in
Phelan**



The Meal: This year's menu: pulled pork, cheesy
potatoes, coleslaw and a roll...compliments of.....>



While Supplies Last!



Prayer and Praises” is your personal invitation to join with the Prayer Ministry of our church in daily prayer. If you would like someone to stay on the prayer list, please call the church office at 760-247-7392, put your request on the prayer cards in the church, or go on-line at www.ascensionav.org. Otherwise, names will be removed after two months.

ACCORDING TO THEIR NEED:

Angela Alder
Tricia Blake
Durfee Family
Gaylon Pastella
Gwen Strasburg
Leeta Amaro
Mark Baker
Marilyn Belka
Grayson Blomberg
Tiffany Brown
Kyle Burton
Mari Caroland
Carolyn Chaney
Pearl Coole
Larry Cramins
Kathy Davis
Matt DeWitt
John & Ann Duran
Don Eliason
Sam Fagan
Rosie Fernandez
Christian Frash
Faigie Gawn
Government
David Hanson
Jeanne Hecksel
Karlee Henson
Dawn Husel
Avery Jamison
Jacob Jones
David & Natalie Kelley
Dorothy Krentz
Addison Lange
Melody LeGray
Anthony Lopez
David McDonald
Daniel Midgely
Debbie Moore
Justin Morales
Dennis & Lee Nelson
Michelle Nichol
David Parker
Seunghie Pastella
Jose Perez
Sue Purbrough
Penny Reese
Bill Robertson
Linda Roque
Beth Rubio
Chris Segard
Loretta Severson
Diane Short & Short Family
Manuel Sousa
Vanessa Sowders
Sarah Thomas
Stan Thorne
Joshua Todd
Sue Twarowski
Blaise & Lisa Vasey
Rosa & Paul Wallace
Sharon Waters
Beverly Wilson
Judy Winkler
Cynthia Yanchio
GRIEF & STRENGTH:
The Family of Dale Smith

Mary Beuerle
Devin Coole
Jennifer Millgate
Mildred Sears
Rory Tighe
Brendan Anderson
Sistie Beauchamp
Ilona Berecki
Sue Boers
Vanessa Brown
Gabrielle Butcher
Renee Cates
David Chavez
Robert Coole
William Creek
Julie DeRose
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Marge Edwards
Janice Estrick
Lynn Fairgrief
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Mike Holtgreffe
Maggie Ivy
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Linda Merkle
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Lori O'Neil
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