

All Saints Sunday
November 2, 2025, 8:30 A.M.
St. John's Lutheran Church

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Announcements

Prelude

Introit

Emily Borling

Youth Bell Choir

Ringling of the Church Bell

Confession and Forgiveness

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L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn:

For All the Saints

ELW # 422 (VS: 1-3)

(Noisy offering will be collected during the hymn) Please be seated

Greeting and Kyrie

"In peace, let us pray..."

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also, with you.**

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: 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 mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord. **C: Amen**

L: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C: **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun HIS reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Prayer of the Day: **L:** Merciful God, gracious and benevolent, through your Son you invite all the world to a meal of mercy. Grant that we may eagerly follow his call and bring us with all your saints into your eternal life of joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 1: 10-18

¹⁰ Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! ¹¹ What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls or of lambs or of goats. ¹² When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more! ¹³ Bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and Sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. ¹⁴ Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. ¹⁵ When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. ¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove your evil deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil; ¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice; rescue the oppressed; defend the orphan; plead for the widow. ¹⁸ Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: If your sins are like scarlet, will they become like snow? If they are red like crimson, will they become like wool?

Psalms: Psalm 32 (Read Responsively).

P: ¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

C: ² **Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit, there is no guile!**

P: ³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

C: ⁴ **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

P: ⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

C: ⁶ **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

P: ⁷ You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4,11-12.

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: ² Grace to you and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³ We must always give

thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. ⁴ Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. ¹¹ To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, ¹² so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Special Music/Anthem

Alleluia, Sing Praise to God
Senior Choir

Becki Slagle Mayo

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?”

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C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

C: Glory to You, O Lord/Praise to You, O Christ

¹ [Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today.” ⁶ So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, “He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.” ⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, “Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.” ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.”

Message

Pastor Mark Oehlert

Litany of Light in Remembrance of our Deceased Loved Ones

P: In the New Jerusalem, there will be no need of sun or moon.

C: For the glory of the God will be our light.

P: Before the Lamb of God, there stands a multitude from every nation.

C: And they worship God night and day.

P: Surely, He is coming soon!

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

P: We remember before God this day those whom the Lord has called to their Heavenly home during the past year. We are grateful for their cherished memory and look forward to a blessed reunion with them in Heaven! We remember especially today....

Ronald Dwayne Brandt
Shirley Jean Larkin

Charles Richard Rolfs
Richard Keith Hermeier

Marvin G. Peterson
Betty Ann Engrav

Blessed Be Their Memory

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Offering Hymn

Shall We Gather at the River

ELW # 423 (VS: 1-3)

The Offering Prayer: P: God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Prayers of the Church: L: Hear Us O God. **C: Your mercy is great!**

The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion Distribution Hymns: ELW #414 *Holy God, We Praise Your Name*
ELW # 415 *Father Most Holy*

Post Communion Prayer: L: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

Benediction

P: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood, strengthen, keep, and unite us, now and forever. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

Closing Hymn

Rejoice in God's Saints

ELW # 418 (VS:1-3)

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

Postlude

For all the Saints

Robert Habby

Activities this Week at St. John's**Nov 2, 2025, to Nov 9, 2025**

Sun, Nov 2	8:30am & 10:30am	Worship Services w/Comm
	9:30am	Sr Choir, Sun School
	7pm	Ecumenical Choir
	8pm	Men's Choir
Tues, Nov 4		General Election
	1:30pm	WELCA - Lounge
Wed, Nov 5	6pm	Youth Bells
	7pm	Confirmation & Sr Bells
Sun, Nov 9	8:30am & 10:30am	Worship Services
	9:30am	Sr Choir, Sunday School
	7pm	Ecumenical Choir
	8pm	Men's Choir

General Funds (undesignated)**Attendance**

Jan 1 – Oct 28, 2025		Last Sunday	151
Actual Income	\$170,482	2025 Average	98
Actual Expenses	\$143,439	2024 Average	99
Jan 1 – Nov 30, 2025			
Budget Expenses	\$171,844		

Greeters	8:30am	Sherry Knudtson
	10:30am	
Readers	8:30am	Blake Roe
	10:30am	Lori Hesse
Ushers	8:30am	Linda & Dennis DeBuhr, Fred Oelberg
	10:30am	
Comm Prep	8:30am	Dawn Teslow, Chris Ellickson
	10:30am	Wendy Bucheit
Comm Assistant	8:30am	Bailey Benson, Randy Hesse,
		Vickie Larson
	10:30am	Wendy Bucheit
Secretary		Rhonda Barr/Lana Dahlstrom
Custodians		John & Sharon Roe
Organist/Director of Music		James H. Bieber
Pastor		Mark Oehlert

This morning, we are delighted to welcome Pastor Mark Oehlert from Peosta, Iowa, who will be leading us in worship today. Please take a moment to greet and warmly welcome him to our congregation.

Radio Broadcast Ministry Today's radio broadcast is made possible through the generous donations of our congregation. Thank you for your continued support of this important outreach ministry! Join

us Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m. on KNEI 103.5 FM to listen to the service.

Note: When sponsoring a broadcast, you have the opportunity to select a hymn of your choice for that service.

We are still accepting pledges toward the Solar Project. Pledges may be made by filling out the forms on the table by the Narthex.

Grateful hearts are getting **food baskets** ready for Christmas. The grocery cart is now located in the coat room with a list of items needed. Please donate generously to this cause and if you would rather donate money, please make a check out to the St. John's and write Food Baskets in the memo. Thank You!

Thank You, Rhonda Barr - We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Rhonda Barr for her 8.5 years of dedicated service as parish secretary at St. John's Church. Your kindness, commitment, and faithful support have been a blessing to our parish community. Congratulations on your retirement, Rhonda! We wish you joy, peace, and many happy years ahead.

Now—Wed, Nov 5 Town Theater, Waukon is now showing...**SOUL ON FIRE** See website for showings <https://towntheaterwaukon.com/movies-1> A tragic accident leaves 9-year-old John O'Leary with burns covering 100% of his body. He embarks on a miraculous road to recovery with support from family, the community, and baseball announcer Jack Buck. Grateful for the gift of life, John becomes a motivational speaker who inspires millions of people to make the world a better place.

Allamakee County 4-H Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction Sun, Nov 2 at the Allamakee County Fairgrounds Pavilion from 8am to 12:30pm. Free Will Donation at the door. Menu: pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, juice, milk, and coffee. All proceeds benefit the Allamakee County 4-H program and development fees.

Burr Oak Lutheran Church Meatball Supper (drive-up only) Wed, Nov 5 4pm to 7pm. Tickets \$15 advance ticket sales are appreciated. (see flyer on bulletin board) Menu: meatballs, "real" mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, green beans, pumpkin pie.

Crafts in the Country Sat, Nov 8 9am-2pm. West Paint Creek Synod Church (Elon Drive) Old West Paint Creek Church (Maud Rd) Artisans and Homemade Vendors, quilt silent auction, soup and sandwiches, Norwegian treats and bake sale. More information on the bulletin board.

Zion UCC in Waukon Fall Harvest Dinner Sun, Nov 9, 10am until sold out. Dine in or Carry Out available \$16 for adults, \$8 per child 10 and under. Menu: Edgewood Locker's Glazed Sliced Ham, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Apple Crisp or Pumpkin Pie Bar. Proceeds will be used by Zion's Sunday School and Confirmation Class to adopt families through the Relief Office Christmas Giving Tree.

Little Switzerland FFA Pancake Breakfast Sun, Nov 16 9am-12pm at the Waukon Middle School. Freewill donation. Serving pancakes, sausages, hashbrown patties, and beverages. Funds used to help offset conference registrations and various FFA activities.

St. Pat's Vendor/Craft Show Sat, Nov 22 at the St Patrick School Gym from 9am-1pm. The St. Pat's RoboCats will be having a food concession.

Volunteers for Nov 9 service:

Ushers for November: 8:30am Linda & Dennis DeBuhr, Fred Oelberg

10:30am:

Greeters: 8:30am Todd & Marlene Hills 10:30am Ed & Karen Stamper

Readers: 8:30am Sarah Sweeney/ 10:30am

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