

# All Saints Sunday

## November 3, 2024



*Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year's All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John's gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.*



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# Welcome to Zion!

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***“Then Jesus said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.’”*** (Matthew 9:37-38)

Welcome – whether this is your home congregation or your first visit, we’re glad you’re here!

We welcome all people in the name of Christ to experience God’s goodness and grace in Word, water, and meal. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, there is a place for you to belong at Zion.

## Get Connected at Zion

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The best ways to stay connected are to visit our website, follow us on social media (@zionchurchdfb on Facebook and Instagram), and subscribe to our weekly newsletter.

## Children in Worship

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Children are God’s gift to our church! They are not the future of our church; they are the right now. The way we welcome children here directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, and to one another.

We welcome children and their families to sit near the Playground at the front of the sanctuary. There are coloring activities, puzzles, books, and a toolbox to engage in our worship together.

## Giving

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We appreciate your stewardship of treasure, talent, and time at Zion. You may leave your offerings in the offering plates or give online via our website or this QR code.



## Livestreaming

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Zion livestreams all our services on Facebook and YouTube. Any person present gives consent to being filmed or photographed.



Zion is a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) community, and extends God's radical welcome to all people, because we're all created in God's image.

# We Gather

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## GATHERING HYMN

Hymn #422

“For All the Saints”

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

## HYMN OF PRAISE

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*On festival Sundays, we replace the Kyrie with a Hymn of Praise.*

*The assembly joins with the refrain and the Cantor sings the verses.*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together...**Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## We Hear & Respond to God’s Word

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### FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

...The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

### SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-6a

...The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hymn #172

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

### GOSPEL

John 11:32-44

*Before the reading:* The Holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the reading:* The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ!**

# GOD'S MESSAGE FOR ALL

## HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn #426

"Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & SHARING OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always! **And also with you.**

## OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### We Feast at the Lord's Table

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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & PREFACE

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn...

## SANCTUS ("HOLY, HOLY")

Hymn #525

"You Are Holy"

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## **SHARING THE MEAL**

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is God!

## **We Are Sent into the World**

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## **BLESSING FOR STRENGTH**

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ comfort, strengthen, and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray together...**Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

Just as God's Word was sent into the world to heal and redeem, so God sends you into the world this day to be light and love, healing and hope. Go now to be light for the world! And may the grace and peace of God – Father, Son ✠, and Holy Spirit – come upon you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN**

“Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In”

DISMISSAL

The worship has ended. Now the service begins. Go in peace.  
Serve the Lord—and have fun doing it! **Thanks be to God!**

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Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In



1 Oh, when the saints go march-ing in, oh, when the  
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo-ry comes, oh, when the  
3 Oh, when the new world is re-vealed, oh, when the  
4 Oh, when they gath-er round the throne, oh, when they  
5 And on that hal-le-lu-jah day, and on that



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## Today's Readings

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### Prayer of the Day

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## First Reading

## Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will  
make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-  
aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of  
well-aged wines strained clear.  
7And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all  
peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all  
nations;  
8he will swallow up death forever.  
Then the LORD GOD will wipe away the

tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people  
he will take away from all  
the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.  
⁹It will be said on that day,  
Lo, this is our God; we have  
waited for him, so that he might  
save us.  
This is the LORD for whom we have  
waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his  
salvation.

*or Wisdom 3:1-9 [not printed]*

## Psalm

Psalm 24; tone 4



The earth is the LORD's  
and all <sup>1</sup> that is in it,  
the world and those  
who <sup>1</sup> dwell therein.

<sup>2</sup>For the LORD has founded it  
up- <sup>1</sup> on the seas  
and established it up- <sup>1</sup> on the rivers.

<sup>3</sup>Who may ascend  
the mountain <sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
and who may stand  
in God's <sup>1</sup> holy place?

<sup>4</sup>Those of innocent hands  
and puri- <sup>1</sup> ty of heart,

**who do not swear on God's being,  
nor do they pledge by<sup>1</sup> what is false.**  
**<sup>5</sup>They shall receive blessing**  
**<sup>1</sup> from the LORD**  
**and righteousness**  
**from the God of<sup>1</sup> their salvation.**  
**<sup>6</sup>Such is the generation**  
**of those who seek<sup>1</sup> you, O LORD,**  
**of those who seek your face,**  
**O<sup>1</sup> God of Jacob.**  
**<sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates;**  
**and be lifted up, O ever-<sup>1</sup> lasting doors,**  
**that the King of glory<sup>1</sup> may come in.**

*continued*



**<sup>8</sup>Who is this <sup>1</sup> King of glory?**

**The LORD, strong and mighty,  
the LORD, might-<sup>1</sup> y in battle!**

<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates;  
and be lifted up, O ever-<sup>1</sup> lasting doors,  
that the King of glory <sup>1</sup> may come in.

**<sup>10</sup>Who is this <sup>1</sup> King of glory?**

**Truly, the LORD of hosts  
is the <sup>1</sup> King of glory.**

## Second Reading

## Revelation 21:1-6a

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among  
mortals.

He will dwell with them;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their  
eyes.

Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will  
be no more,  
for the first things have passed away.”

<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

## Gospel

## John 11:32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister

of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

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