

+ WELCOME! GETHSEMANE WORSHIP FOR NOVEMBER 1, 2020 (ALL SAINTS SUNDAY) +

*TODAY'S FOCUS: THE STORY, Chapter 28: New Beginnings. When we started a business or our family, beginnings have excitement and uncertainty. The same was true for the beginning of God's church--except there was no risk of failure for those who trusted in the Lord--and it's still true today! **We also remember those who have gone to Jesus' side from among our church family.***

LSB 496 HOLY SPIRIT, LIGHT DIVINE

sts. 1–3

- 1 Holy Spirit, light divine,
Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the shades of night away,
Turn the darkness into day.
- 2 Let me see my Savior's face,
Let me all His beauties trace;
Show those glorious truths to me
Which are only known to Thee.
- 3 Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,
Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
In Thy mercy pity me,
From sin's bondage set me free.

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L In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

L 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.**

(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.**

L In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

LSB 528 OH, FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING sts. 1–4

- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
 My great Redeemer's praise,
 The glories of my God and King,
 The triumphs of His grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God,
 Assist me to proclaim,
 To spread through all the earth abroad,
 The honors of Thy name.
- 3 Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
 That bids our sorrows cease;
 'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
 'Tis life and health and peace.

4 He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin;
He sets the pris'ner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood avails for me.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you!

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray: As Your Story moves forward, gracious Father, we see that You help Your children move forward by the strength of Your Holy Spirit. Strengthen us today with Your Spirit that we may be Your witness and share Jesus' love with others. To the glory of Your name—Father, Son and Holy Spirit--one God now and forever.

C **Amen.**

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

FIRST READING

Acts 4:1–20 NIV

4:1 The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. 2 They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people, proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. 3 They seized Peter and John and, because it was

evening, they put them in jail until the next day. 4 But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed grew to about five thousand.

5 The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. 6 Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. 7 They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?"

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! 9 If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, 10 then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. 11 Jesus is

"the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone.'

12 Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

13 When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus. 14 But since they could see the man who had been healed standing there with them, there was nothing they could say. 15 So they ordered them to withdraw from the Sanhedrin and then conferred together. 16 "What are we going to do with these men?" they asked. "Everyone

living in Jerusalem knows they have performed a notable sign, and we cannot deny it. 17 But to stop this thing from spreading any further among the people, we must warn them to speak no longer to anyone in this name.”

18 Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. 19 But Peter and John replied, “Which is right in God’s eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! 20 As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33–44

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³³[Jesus said:] “Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. 34 When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

35 “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. 36 Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. 37

Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They will respect my son,’ he said.

38 “But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him and take his inheritance.’ 39 So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

40 “Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

41 “He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,” they replied, “and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.”

42 Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “‘The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes’?”

43 “Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. 44 Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

LSB 644 THE CHURCH’S ONE FOUNDATION sts. 1–2, 4

1 The Church’s one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;

She is His new creation By water and the Word.

From heav’n He came and sought her To be His holy bride;

With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

2 Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses With ev'ry grace endued.

4 Through toil and tribulation And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at
rest.

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SERMON: THE STORY, CHAPTER 28: NEW BEGINNINGS

APOSTLES' CREED

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

ALL SAINTS' REFLECTION

L Alleluia. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. Alleluia.

C **Let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us. Alleluia.**

L Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.

C **And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works.**

L Today, as we celebrate All Saints' Day, we are given three reasons for honoring the saints in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession. First, as we remember the saints, we thank God for giving faithful servants to His Church.

L Second, through such remembrance our faith is strengthened as we see the mercy that God extended to His saints of old. And third, these saints are examples by which we may imitate both their faith and their holy living according to our calling in life.

L Part of the life of the Church as a community of memory is remembering those specific people of God among us who have gone to their eternal reward in this past year

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☐ Gracious God, we thank You for these saints we have named and those we recall in our hearts. You gave them to us to know and love in this life--and to spend eternity with when we join You and each of them. Until then, wipe every tear from our eyes as You have promised and fill us with resurrection hope. In Jesus name. Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Introduction To Communion

LORD'S PRAYER

**☐ 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

L Our pastor has already consecrated the elements for us, but together, let us remember the Words of our Lord Jesus who gives this supper to us.

C **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.”**

PAUSE TO EAT BREAD

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.”

PAUSE TO Drink Wine

Communion Hymn

- 1 Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 2 Just as I am and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 3 Just as I am, though tossed about
With many_a conflict, many_a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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BENEDICTION

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- L** 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.

C **Amen.**

HWC 382 BE THOU MY VISION

- 1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me -Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought; By day or by night
Waking or sleeping; Thy presence my light
- 2 Be Thou my wisdom; Be Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee; And Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father; I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling - And I with Thee one
- 3 Riches I heed not - Nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance; Now and always
Thou and Thou only; Be first in my heart
High King of heaven; My treasure Thou art
- 4 High King of heaven; When vict'ry is won
May I reach heaven's joys; O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart; Whatever befall
Still be my vision; O Ruler of all

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