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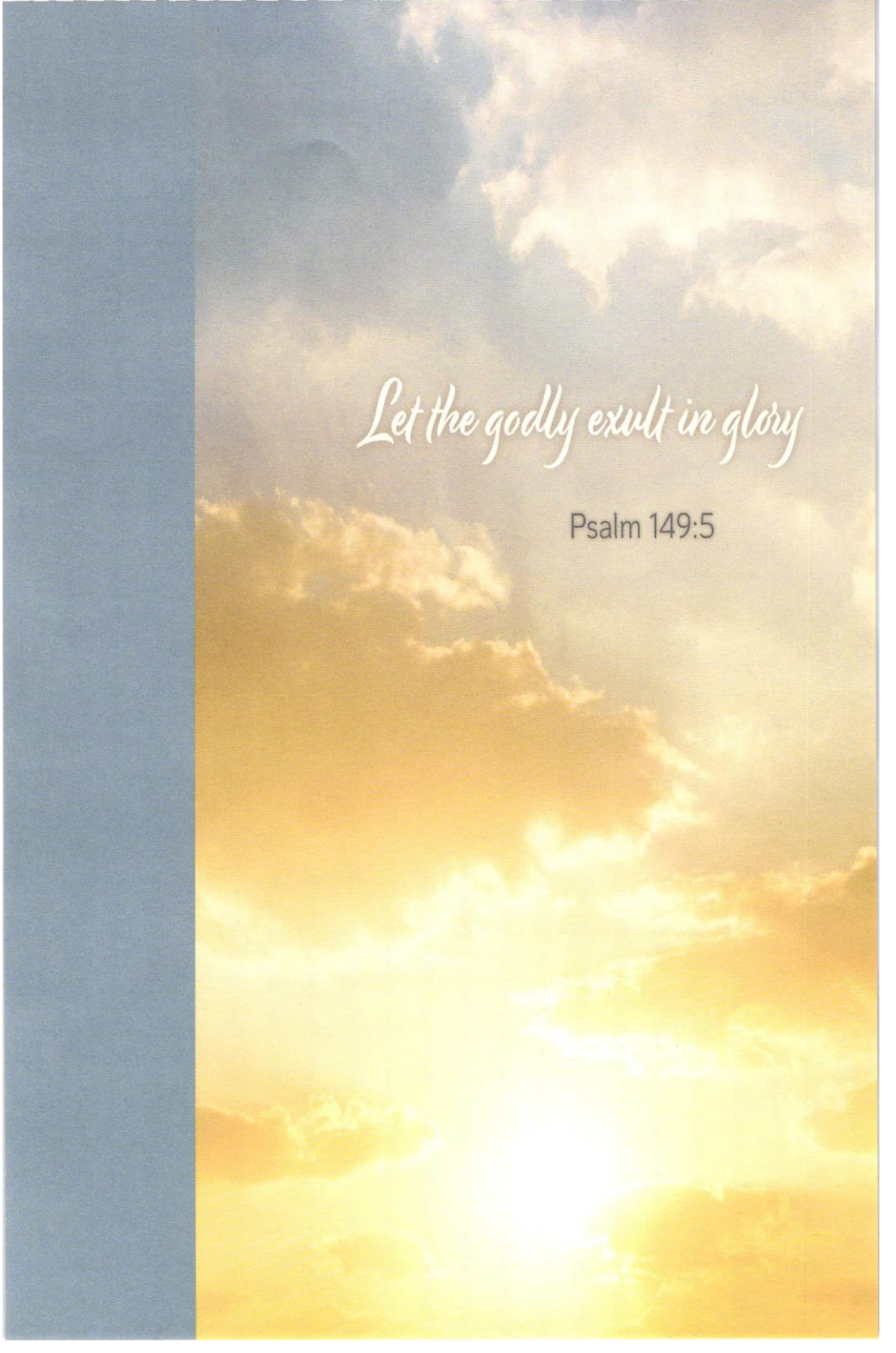
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AS WE GATHER~ Portraits of heroes are hung in museums, etched onto mountains, and immortalized in history books. But for those who keep the faith, the Lord has greater plans. On this All Saints' Day, we see that the Lord's faithful do not belong in galleries or textbooks but in the courts of heaven. There are no dead tributes to the fallen but living displays of Christ's mercy. All those who have been joined to Christ in Baptism can celebrate their citizenship in the Kingdom that never ends and the promise that when their days of being saint and sinner in this life are finished, they will be all saints in the presence of their Savior.

WELCOME FAMILIES WITH LITTLE ONES!!!

THE NURSERY: is available to parents for infants and young toddlers under 5 years old during worship in the nursery room in the fellowship hall. See an usher for assistance.

Quiet time activity bags are located at the back of the sanctuary hanging on the wooden cross for older children to use during the service.

FAMILY ROOM : You will also find through the southeast door marked FAMILY ROOM, there are some quiet toys on the shelf if you want a quiet space for your little one.

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ALSO on our web-site "CLCMeridian.org where there is a bulletin to follow
IF YOU DO NOT want your child filmed, we ask that they sit behind the pulpit. If you have any other concerns, please ask and Elder or Usher for help.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE COMMUNING...SEE BACK OF BULLETIN

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Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement

Christ Lutheran Church exists to glorify God, by making disciples that reach up, reach in, and reach out.

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Bought by Christ, Brought Together in Faith
November 1, 2026

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN "Sing with All the Saints in Glory" (*LSB)* 671

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 30:4–5*

Pastor: Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints,
People: and give thanks to His holy name.

Pastor: For His anger is but for a moment,
People: and His favor is for a lifetime.

Pastor: Weeping may tarry for the night,
People: but joy comes with the morning.

CONFESSION and GOD'S FORGIVENESS *Matthew 5:3*

Pastor: As saints and yet sinners, we call upon the mercy of God, our heavenly Father. O almighty God,

People: **You rule and reign with justice. As Your people, we should love all Your decrees. Yet our hearts are hard. We prefer our ways to Your ways. We shout our freedoms but whisper Your correction. You call us salt and light, yet over and over we choose the darkness. Forgive us, Father, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus. Renew our hearts that we might rejoice as the saints You call us to be.**

Pause for silent reflection

Pastor: To make sinners into saints of His kingdom, God in His mercy sent forth Jesus, who declares, "blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." The blood of Jesus has opened the door to the Kingdom where He rules and reigns, now and forever. As a called and ordained servant of the living Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE OF THE LORD *(We greet one another in peace.)*

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us extend the peace of God to one another.

+ WORD +

INTROIT *Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b* ***People in Bold***

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.

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.

KYRIE (pg. 186 in Hymnal)

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

HYMN/SONG OF PRAISE "Heavenly Hosts in Ceaseless Worship" (LSB) 949

1 Heav'nly hosts in ceaseless worship
"Holy, holy, holy" cry;
"He who is, who was and will be,
God Almighty, Lord Most High."
Praise and honor, pow'r and glory,
Be to Him who reigns alone!
We, with all His hands have fashioned,
Fall before the Father's throne.

2 All creation, all redemption,
Join to sing the Savior's worth;
Lamb of God, whose blood has bought us,
Kings and priests, to reign on earth.
Wealth and wisdom, pow'r and glory,
Honor, might, dominion, praise,
Now be His from all His creatures
And to everlasting days!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty God, Lord of saints below and saints above, Your Word puts the sinner to death and raises us to righteousness. Bind Your church in faith that we might evermore declare the glory of Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF GOD'S WORD +

FIRST READING *Revelation 7:(2–8) 9–17* (John's heavenly vision sees an uncountable multitude whose robes have been made white in the blood of the Lamb.)

[2]Then 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, [3]saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until
we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." [4]And I heard the number of
the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:
[5]12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
[6]12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
[7]12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
[8]12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.
[9]After 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, [10]and crying
out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the
Lamb!" [11]And 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, [12]saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and
power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
[13]Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white
robes, and from where have they come?" [14]I 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. (cont.)

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.
16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.
17 For 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."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *1 John 3:1–3* (The children of God await with hope the transformative appearing of Christ.)

1 See 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. 2 Beloved, 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. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 5:1–12* (Christ announces blessings upon the lowest and the least.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.
People: Glory to You, O Lord.

1 Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.
2 And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5 "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to You, O Christ.

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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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE HYMN "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring" *(LSB)* 822

SERMON "The Right Attitude" Matthew 5: 1-11

OFFERING
"I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all. But whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess." — ***Martin Luther (1483-1546),***

OFFERTORY "We Praise You, O God" (LSB) 785 vs. 1

1 We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *(Pastor invites prayer requests)*

After each petition Pastor will say," Lord in Your mercy"
Our response:
People: hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9-13*)
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.

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: With grateful hearts, we thank and praise You, O Lord, as befits Your power and majesty, for You have had mercy on the children of earth. In sending Jesus Christ, our Savior, You have seen fit to bear our brokenness and to raise us with Him to life everlasting. As He Himself was given for our sin, let us see in this Supper the sacrifice of His true body and blood, and as He was resurrected in glory, let us see the new creations You call us to be, so that with angels and archangels, with saints of old and saints to come, we might laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (*p. 161 in hymnal*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace + of the Lord be with you always.
People: And also with you.

LAMB OF GOD *[LSB 550 refrain only]*

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS/SONGS
"Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs" *(LSB)* 812
" For All the Saints" (LSB) 677

Nunc Dimittis *(LSB 199)*

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant
depart in peace
according to Thy word,
For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
Which Thou hast prepared
before the face of all people,
A light to lighten the Gentiles
and the glory of Thy people Isr-ael.
Glory be to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now,
and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.
Through this Meal, O Father, You once again mark us with the mercy that makes us Your saints. Fed and fueled by the gifts of Christ, prepare us for every good work, that we might know that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will separate us from Your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SENTENCES *Psalm 116:15, Revelation 14:4*

Pastor: Alleluia! Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints!

People: They follow the Lamb wherever He goes. Alleluia!

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" *(LSB)* 670

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"
Cry out, dominions, princedoms, pow'rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

2 O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"
Thou bearer of the_eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

△ 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

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FOR THOSE WHO ARE COMMUNING... In keeping with Scripture, visitors who are active members of LCMS congregations (or from church bodies in fellowship with the LCMS) are asked to speak with the pastor or elder prior to the Sacrament. Because those who eat and drink the Lord's **Body and Blood** unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Corinthians 11:29) and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith that is confessed at this altar, all other visitors are asked to make an appointment with the pastor to discuss the Lord's Supper prior to receiving the Sacrament.

Members and visitors alike, who have been instructed in the Christian faith, are encouraged to use the following questions:

Do I believe that in the Lord's Supper I receive Jesus' true **Body and Blood** with the bread and wine?

Do I believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and my personal Savior, who paid for all of my sins on the cross and thereby saves me from eternal punishment?

Do I believe that I am a sinful being without hope of eternal life, except for God's mercy in Christ?

Do I repent of all sin, and set aside any grudges or refusal to forgive and love as God forgives and loves us?

Do I intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to turn away from my sins and strive to live a Godly life?

This is not a judgment of an individual's faith but a matter of proper preparation and pastoral care of souls. (1 Corinthians 11:26-30) Thank you for your deference to the Biblical doctrine of this congregation.
Note: The red wine in the Communion tray is Non-alcohol and is available for those with medical limitations. GLUTEN FREE WAFERS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE COMMUNION AT YOUR SEAT PLEASE TELL THE USHER AND YOU WILL BE SERVED TOWARD THE END OF COMMUNION.

About the Cover: "Let the godly exult in glory." All the saints bask in the glory of the Lord. He enlivens them eternally. They sing of all that Christ accomplished when He died on the cross, rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven. So, on this All Saints' Day, let us join them in this eternal anthem, praising our Savior. He has made us among the godly not because of our works, but because of His forgiving work for us and all the saints of the Lord.