The Divine Service

All Saints' Sunday November 5 2023



AS WE GATHER

Today is bittersweet. Bitter, because some of us will be remembering someone we love who died recently, and we are still grieving. Yet sweet, because that loved one was also loved by God, redeemed by Jesus, and lives in that place Jesus went ahead to prepare. We grieve, as Paul says, but not "as others do who have no hope" (1 Thessalonians 4:13). We also hear the words of Jesus in the Beatitudes, where Jesus blesses people not usually considered blessed: the poor in spirit, the mourning, the meek, peacemakers, the persecuted. The broken circumstances of your life do not define you entirely; Jesus defines you as blessed because He has taken hold of you in love and mercy and will never let you go. Blessed are you.

Prelude

Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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

People: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Pastor: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not

in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all

unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Pastor: Most merciful God.

People: have mercy on us. We confess to you that 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 trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life

through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.

Pastor: With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy,

abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness

of life in (♣) Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Processional Hymn "For all the Saints"

LSB 677, verses 1,3,8



Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion

of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

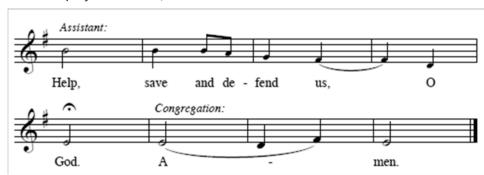
Kyrie

Cantor: In peace, in peace...



Cantor: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the ... <u>Refrain</u>

Cantor: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the ... <u>Refrain</u>



Hymn of Praise: "Now the Feast"





Salutation

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord God, You sustained those who have gone before us in

faith, You showed them grace, and in their lives You have shown us examples of good works that are the fruit of faith in Christ. So sustain us in faith and grace, that we bear the fruit of faith with perseverance and joy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with

You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

The Old TestamentMalachi 3:6–12

"For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts. But you say, 'How shall we return?' Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions. You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you. Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts. Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts."

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

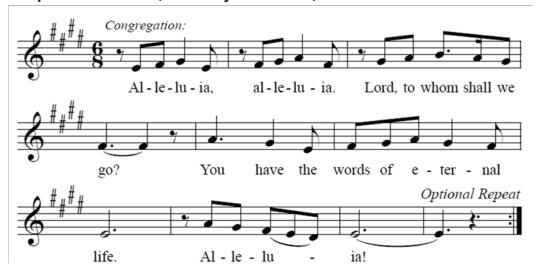
Epistle Hebrews 9:24–28

"For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him."

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Processional (Stand as you are able.)



Holy Gospel Mark 12:38–44

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the twelfth chapter.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In his teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day "I love you Lord"

Chorus

I love You Lord
And I lift my voice
To worship You
O my soul rejoice
Take joy my King
In what You hear
May it be a sweet sweet sound
In Your ear

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Sermon "I Give-UP" Pastor Scott Henze

Apostles' Creed

People:

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.

Prayer of the Church

Petitions end, "Lord, in your mercy..." Congregation responds, "Hear our prayer"

COMMEMERATION OF THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

Pastor:

Holy Scripture says in Psalm 116:15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is death of His saints. On this All Saints' Day, we remember and give thanks and praise to God for the life and for the death of His saints. We rejoice with those who rejoice, and that includes rejoicing with those whose happiness now knows no end in the kingdom of glory. During the year, families in our congregation and our extended church family have been impacted greatly by the death of ones we love. As those who trust in Jesus Christ, we do not grieve as the rest of the world grieves. We grieve in hope, we pray with confidence, and we live with certainty that those who have died in Christ are secure in His presence. We also rejoice that one day we shall join them in their heavenly joy, which knows no end.

We remember the life and give thanks to God for these His saints:

Offering A Joyful Song

Choir, 11:00 a.m.

Offertory Prayer

Pastor:

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Receive now these gifts you have first given and fill us with good things at your table, that we might joyfully and generously share all you have given us, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.

A word about Holy Communion: We are about to receive the Lord's Supper. Before you receive, you might consider the following questions: Do you believe you are a sinner? Do you believe Jesus Christ died for you and shed his blood for you on the cross for the forgiveness of your sins? Do you believe that in the Lord's Supper he gives you his true body and blood for the forgiveness of all your sins and strengthens your faith in him and your love for others? If you are a baptized Christian and share these Biblical truths, please come! Those who have not yet received instruction may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over their chest to indicate they are not receiving the elements.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.



Proper Preface

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to

pray:

People: 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.

Words of Institution

The Peace of the Lord

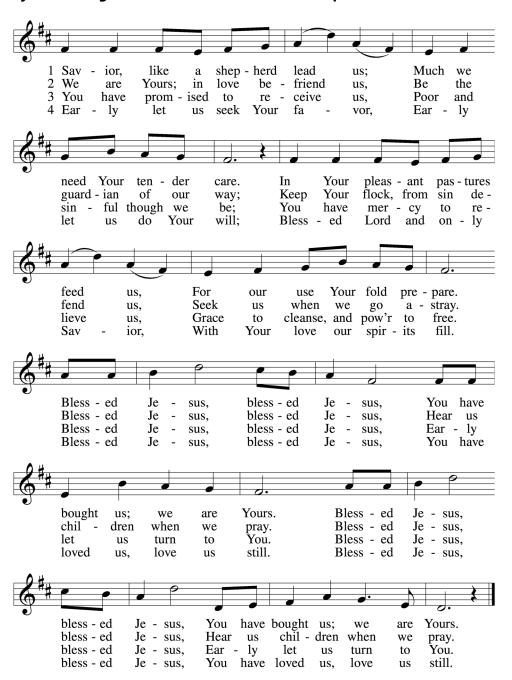
Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

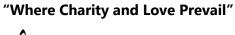
People: And also with you.

(The congregation and minister may greet each other with the peace of the Lord).









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- 5 Let us recall that in our midst Dwells Christ, His only Son; As members of His body joined We are in Him made one.
- For love excludes no race or clan That names the Savior's name; His family embraces all Whose Father is the same.

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Closing of the Table

Post-Communion Canticle:



Post-Communion Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have

refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Announcements

Benediction

Recessional Hymn "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" LSB 924 verses 1,3



Dismissal

Pastor: Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

People: Disciples making disciples.

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Mark your calendars!

November 9th Senior Youth Lock out An all-nighter out on the town. And back at church for a night full of fun till breakfast.

November 18th, Trivia Night Join and support the Senior Youth as they raise money to serve others. Play in person and online. Gather a team to play!

November 22nd, Thanksgiving Eve Worship 7:30pm

Midweek Advent Evening Worship Services

Wednesdays, November 29, December 6 & 13 at 7:30 PM

December 1st Middle School Youth Group Christmas Party 7:00 PM-

All Middle School students are invited!

December 2nd Drive Thru Live Nativity 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Mark your calendars for this special presentation of the Christmas story. Live animals, music and more. Invite your friends and neighbors!

December 6th Holiday Bazaar 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM

December 7th A Quiet Christmas Service 7:00 PM;

All are invited for an evening of inspirational readings and music in preparation of the Birth of Christ. A holiday reception will follow service.

December 17th Kids Choir Christmas Musical

At both services. The children will lead us in worship.

December 20th Senior Youth Group Christmas Party 7:30 PM;

All High School Students & friends 9th through 12th grade are invited.

Go to www.stpaulweston.org for all the latest information.



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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Sunday School for children and youth: 9:45 AM Adult Bible Study: 10:00 AM



