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All Saints Day	November 2, 2025
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Welcome to God's house! Please allow us to keep in touch with you by signing the register in the foyer/narthex. Thank you!

Altar Flowers are placed today to the glory of God in celebration of Bailee Giroir's birthday which was yesterday.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each week. Those Christians who truly believe that they receive the true body and blood of Christ Jesus our Savior, in, with and under the bread and wine are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper.

The Apostle Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 set forth, "*Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.*"

If you are concerned about having a proper understanding of the Lord's Supper, we urge you to speak with pastor. Questions and answers that may aid your understanding of and preparation for Holy Communion are on pages 329-330 in the pew hymnal.

Non-alcoholic white wine is located in the center of the individual cup trays for those who cannot tolerate alcohol.

† PREPARATION †

HYMN *“I Know That My Redeemer Lives” LSB #461, verses 1-4*

Stand

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES *John 11:25–26; Job 19:25–27; Romans 14:7–8; Revelation 14:13*

Pastor: Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die.

People: **For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me!**

Pastor: For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s.

People: **And I heard a voice from heaven saying, “Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!”**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *1 John 3:1–3; Matthew 5:12a*

Pastor: John wrote, “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” The devil, the world, and our sinful nature lead us to live lives that do not reflect this reality. Let us confess our sins to our heavenly Father.

Most merciful God and Father,

People: We confess to You that our lives do not always reveal that we are really Your children and that You are our Father. We admit that we sin against You and others with our thoughts, words, and actions. In Your righteousness, forgive us and cleanse us from all our unrighteousness. Restore the joy of Your salvation to us and sustain us with a willing spirit. Amen.

Pastor: John reminds us, “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. And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.” In the mercy of our heavenly Father, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us and purifies us from all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and gives them the Holy Spirit. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven!

People: Alleluia! Amen!

† WORD †

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

Pastor: These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

People: They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Pastor: In You, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me.

People: For You are my rock and my fortress; and for Your name’s sake You lead me and guide me.

Pastor: Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

People: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;**

Pastor: These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

People: **They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the
Lamb.**

KYRIE

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Alleluia! Let Praises Ring” LSB #822, verse 4

**Alleluia! Let praises ring!
Unto our triune God we sing;
Blest be His name forever!
With angel hosts let us adore
And sing His praises evermore
For all His grace and favor!
Singing, ringing: Holy, holy, God is holy;
Spread the story
Of our God, the Lord of glory!**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God,

People: **You make us saints through calling us to faith and cleansing us in the
waters of Baptism. Lead us to imitate the lives of the saints who have**

gone before us as they imitated Jesus, so that together with them, we come to the indescribable joys You have prepared for those who love You;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Sit

FIRST READING *Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17*

²Then 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, ³saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” ⁴And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

⁵12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
⁶12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
⁷12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
⁸12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

⁹After 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, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And 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, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I 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.

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.

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

¹⁷For 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.

PSALM *Psalms 149*

Lector: Praise the Lord!

People: Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise in the assembly of the godly!

Lector: Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

People: Let them praise His name with dancing, making melody to Him with tambourine and lyre!

Lector: For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He adorns the humble with salvation.

People: Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their beds.

Lector: Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands, to execute vengeance on the nations and punishments on the peoples, to bind their kings with chains and their nobles with fetters of iron, to execute on them the judgment written! This is honor for all His godly ones.

People: Praise the Lord!

EPISTLE *1 John 3:1–3*

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

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE *Hebrews 12:1a, 2a*

Pastor: Alleluia. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

People: let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 5:1–12*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

People: Glory be to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

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. ¹²Rejoice 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.**

CREED *Nicene Creed*

People: **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.**

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Lord of Our Life" LSB #659*

SERMON

MEDITATION

Stand

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM *Romans 6:3-4*

Pastor: In Holy Baptism, God's children are clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness, which covers all of our sins. Paul says: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?

People: We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."

COMMEMORATION OF THE REDEEMED CHILDREN OF GOD

Pastor: Today, with God's children throughout the Christian Church, we remember all those who remain God's children for eternity. We especially note this day those who have gone to the church triumphant during the days of this last year.

Pastor: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

People: Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You;

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HYMN *“For All the Saints” LSB #677, verses 1 & 2*

Pastor: We thank and praise You, O God, our Maker and King, for leading Your children through the wilderness of this world to the promised land of Your eternal heavenly kingdom. We thank You for saving us by grace through faith in the Lamb, who is our shepherd and guide. We thank You for the encouragement and example of Your saints who have gone before us. Compel us by Christ’s love and empower us by Your Spirit to imitate them as they imitated Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

HYMN *“For All the Saints” LSB #677, verses 3 & 4*

Pastor: We thank and praise You for making us members of Your mystical Body, the church, through the waters of Holy Baptism. Keep us firmly rooted in Your Word of truth. Lead us to rejoice with those who rejoice and to grieve with those who grieve. We ask for You to provide comfort and peace to all who are grieving the earthly loss of loved ones today. We ask for encouragement, strength, and healing for all who are struggling physically, emotionally, and spiritually, [*especially . . .*]. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

HYMN *“For All the Saints” LSB #677, verses 5 & 6*

Pastor: We thank and praise You for Your deep love for us, Your children. Strengthen families by deepening their love for one another. Strengthen mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers in their vocations that they may train their children and grandchildren in the way they should go as they make their way through this warring world. Bless all authorities, those who serve in government, those who serve in Your church, those who work to bring peace

and justice and healing, as well as those who work in schools and businesses. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **hear our prayer.**

HYMN *“For All the Saints” LSB #677, verses 7 & 8*

Pastor: Lord Jesus, as we wait for Your return, nourish us with Your body and blood so that we may be raised to immortality and incorruption and be seated at Your heavenly banquet. While death still claims our mortal bodies, You have been raised up so that we may pass from death to life and join those who have died in You and now rest from their labors in the resurrection. Bring us to the fullness of our salvation, that we may see You face to face and live forever with You, our Lamb and Shepherd; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for eternity.

People: **Amen.**

OFFERTORY *“Hope of the World” LSB #690, verse 4*

**Hope of the world, who by Thy cross didst save us
From death and dark despair, from sin and guilt,
We render back the love Thy mercy gave us;
Take Thou our lives and use them as Thou wilt.**

**Offering boxes are on each side of the doors exiting the sanctuary*

† SACRAMENT †

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

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

Pastor: It is good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, our Maker and King, for You sent Your Son to be the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. In the communion of all Your saints, we are gathered into the Body of Your Son. You purify Your children in the waters of Baptism and robe us with the righteousness of Christ. You bless and encourage us by the faith of the saints who have gone before us so that as we run this race, we may finish it and receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS *(with guitar)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come
With all creation I sing:
Praise to the King of Kings!
You are my everything,
And I will adore You! Yeah!**

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, our Maker and King, for You have cleansed us, Your children, through the blood of the Lamb, who was sacrificed for the sins of the world.

By faith, the saints who have gone before us clung to Your promises, leaving an example and encouragement for us who now walk by faith and long to see You face to face.

Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink the body and blood of Your Son in this Holy Supper. Join us in unending praise with our forefathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; the prophets, apostles, evangelists, martyrs, and all the saints in glory who have run the race, kept the faith, fought the good fight and been crowned in glory. In Jesus' name, we pray.

People: **Amen.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;
1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: 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.”

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.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

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.

PAX DOMINI

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

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI *(with guitar)*

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain
Holy, Holy, is He
Sing a new song, to Him who sits on
Heaven's Mercy Seat
(repeat)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Father Welcomes" LSB #604

"These Thousand Hills" Third Day

These thousand hills roll ever on
Footprints of a Mighty God;
They bring me to my knees in praise
Amazing love, amazing grace.

Was on a hill my Savior died,
A broken heart and bleeding side;
Hill of the Skull, Mount Calvary

The blood He shed, He shed for me.

**When Heaven's hills at last I roam,
Forever settled in my home;
I'll join the saints around Your throne,
Your kingdom, Lord, rolls ever on.**

**These thousand hills roll ever on
Ripples of a coming storm;
The morning star precedes the dawn
These thousand hills roll ever on.**

**These thousand hills roll ever on
Footprints of a Mighty God;
They bring me to my knees in praise
Amazing love, amazing grace.**

**They bring me to my knees in praise,
Amazing love, amazing grace.**

Stand

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *"Your Table I Approach" LSB #628, verses 5 & 6*

**O grant, most blessed Lord,
That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind.**

**Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING *Hebrews 12:2*

Pastor: Let us pray.
Heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the

Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Lead us to lay aside every weight and sin that clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Keep us firm in the true faith that we may celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His eternal kingdom when He returns; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. Go in peace, in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN *"I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB #461 verses 5 -8*

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