



RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH, LCMC

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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY | Sunday, November 5, 2023

On this, All Saints Sunday, we remember the lives of those faithful Christians who have gone before us into death in the past year. The Scriptures offer us hope in the promise of Jesus' resurrection power in our lives. We look forward to seeing the Lamb of God face to face in that place where tears no longer exist. Christ is our comforter and King forever; his life is our life and we live to worship him.

WELCOME *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY LITANY

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – who gives us life, redeems and calls us children of God; who grants and keeps us in the one true faith.

C: Amen.

P: Gracious God, you are to be praised for the women and men whose faithful witness to your love inspires each generation of your people:

C: For Abraham and Sarah, who believed your promise even when they were old and barren.

P: For the prophet Isaiah, who in a time marked by terror and uncertainty, proclaimed the coming Messiah.

C: For Ruth, whose loyalty to Naomi became a model of faithfulness for people of every time and place.

P: For Esther, who risked her life to save God's people.

C: For Paul, the Apostle of Christ, who preached the Gospel to Jews and Gentiles despite persecution, stoning, and betrayal.

P: For Mary Magdalene, and the women on Easter morning, who ran from the tomb crying out that Jesus was alive. With all of these brothers and sisters in the faith who make up the great cloud of witnesses surrounding us, and in joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we remember also this day those from our lives who have gone before us and now rest from their labors in Jesus Christ:

a list of the faithfully departed is read

Let us pray: God of salvation, we remember with thanksgiving all who have died in the hope of the resurrection. Surround them with the light of your presence. We give you thanks, for by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death, and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because Christ lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to 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. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: For All the Saints (vss. 1,2,7,8).....RECLAIM No. 175

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

P: Beloved in the Lord: God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and the truth is not in us. But if we walk in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus washes away our sin. Let us confess our faults, knowing God will cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: God who knows us,

C: you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. Forgive us our sins, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: People of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Hear the promise first given in Baptism: you are God's child; your sins are forgiven. Rejoice, for yours is the kingdom of heaven!

C: Amen.

THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

S, A

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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 in — the name of the Lord. ——— Ho - san - na in — the
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 high - est, — ho - san - na in — the high - est.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17

The vision that came to John was filled with images of the holy ones of God. Dressed in white, the saints and angels surrounded the throne of God, who provided a place for them where there is no more hunger, thirst, excruciating heat or sorrowful tears.

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."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 149

The psalmist called the congregation to praise the name of the Lord, who would bring honor to them in the face of those who were holding them captive. God would act on behalf of his people.

R: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the godly!

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

R: Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!

C: For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with salvation.

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

C: Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands,

R: to execute vengeance on the nations and punishments on the peoples,

C: to bind their kings with chains and their nobles with fetters of iron,

R: to execute on them the judgment written! This is honor for all his godly ones. Praise the Lord!

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3

Through God's love, those who hope in the Lord are named "children" of God. When God reappears, his children will be like him and see him fully as he is already. This promise is something bestowed upon us and comes from outside ourselves. When we see the Lord, we will know him and be like him.

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.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.



GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 5th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²And 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.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

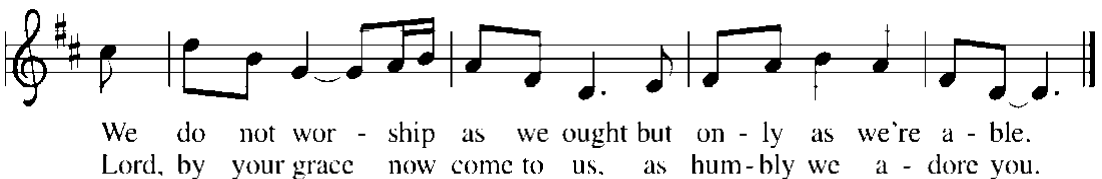
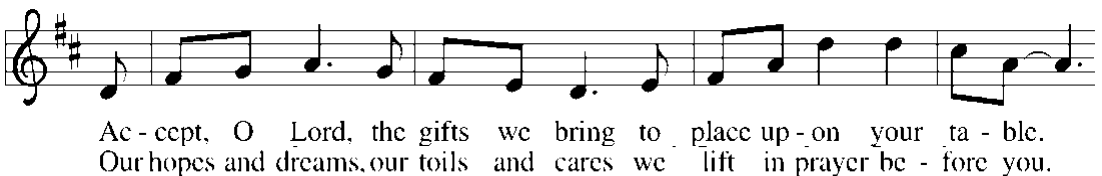
C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Living “The Blessed” Life

HYMN: I Know That My Redeemer Lives (vss. 1,2,7,8).....RECLAIM No. 274

OFFERING PRESENTATION

As the usher brings forward the offering, please stand to sing:



THE NICENE CREED

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

C: And also with you.

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in this peace and in community with one another, let us confess our faith:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Each petition ends with the words "Lord, in your mercy." Respond by saying, "Hear our prayer."

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord, Holy Father, for in the night of his betrayal...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION ACCLAMATION

Save us, save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord Jesus, as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim your death until you come again. Remember us, therefore, in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Resurrection Lutheran's communion practices can be found on the "Come To The Table" instructional in your pew. If you are a visitor or guest, please consider referencing this card.

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN: I Know of a Sleep (vss. 1-4).....RECLAIM No. 273

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, loving and serving in the name of our crucified and risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch

Reader: Doug Mayer

Greeters: Pat and Karen McGregor

Communion Assistants: Carol Severson and Karen McGregor

Keyboardist: Nikki Basel

Ushers: Brad Matthes and Rebecca Blum

Communion Set Up: Bob and Meridel Kellogg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship! Resurrection Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and cross-focused member congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. To learn more about our association of churches please visit www.lcmc.net. Members and visitors are encouraged to sign the **friendship pad** at the end of your pew before the service begins or during announcements.

“The Table” Kicking Off: A new Young Adults Group ministry called “The Table” is launching. College aged students as well as young adults (in their 20s and 30s) are invited to join Pastor Aaron for a free meal, good conversation and intentional fellowship. Our first meeting will be TONIGHT at Jake’s Stadium Pizza (330 Stadium Road - Mankato) at 7:30pm. Spread the word, tell your grandkids, and join us!

Gentle Shepherd Ministries invites you to their **2023 Fall Banquet** on Tuesday, November 14th from 6:30-8:00pm at Grace Baptist Church in Mankato. A light meal of soup, salad and breadsticks, along with dessert will be served. You’ll hear an update on GSM’s senior and jail ministries, testimonies on how God is at work, and special music. Come, learn about how to make a difference! RSVP to this free event before November 10th by emailing gsm@infaith.org or calling 507-327-1480. There is also a sign-up sheet out in the narthex this morning.

Resurrection Lutheran will be volunteering to assemble Feeding Our Community Partners weekend food packs on **Monday, November 13th at 3:30pm**. 8-10 volunteers are needed. Every week, FOCP distributes approximately 800-1000 child-friendly food packs to 34 schools (public, private & parochial) within 6 school districts across the Greater Mankato area for consumption on weekends and extended school breaks. The pack session will likely take less than 1 hour. A sign-up sheet can be found on the Welcome Center Desk. Those who are wanting to participate can meet in the Church parking lot and carpool to the FOCP warehouse in North Mankato on the 13th at 3:10pm.

Ruth Davidson has been moved to Pathstone Senior Living room 3503 for rehab following a hospitalization last week. The goal is for her to return to New Perspectives when she regains her strength.

Birthdays this week:

Jerry Roust (Today), Mike Youngerberg (9th), Ginny Eastvold (10th) and Meridel Kellogg (11th)

Portals of Prayer has been a favorite of generations of readers; a timeless daily source of strength and comfort since 1937. Each daily devotion includes a Bible reading, meditation and prayer to apply to your daily life. Portals of Prayer is a publication of the Lutheran focused and biblically sound Concordia Publishing House. If you would like to start receiving this quarterly devotional beginning in January, please sign-up on the Welcome Center desk in the narthex by Sunday, November 26th. The yearly subscription cost will depend on how many sign up in order to qualify for a bulk order, but it should range between \$10-\$15 dollars for the whole year.

Kinship Radio is celebrating their 40th Anniversary and would like to invite you to join them for a fun night of sundaes and great comedy by **The Skit Guys!** On Friday, November 17th, KJLY will be at Hosanna Lutheran in Mankato with the doors open at 6pm for make your own sundaes followed by the Skit Guys performance at 7pm. There is no cost for this event, but a free will offering will be taken.

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	November 5	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
		7:30pm	“The Table” Young Adults Group
Monday	November 6	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	November 7	11:00am	EEO Committee Meeting
Wednesday	November 8	Noon	Lectionary Lunch
		1:00pm	Women’s Bible Study
		5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
		6:30pm	Adult Forum
Thursday	November 9	8:00am	Men’s Bible Study
		1:00pm	“Joy For the Journey” Support Group
Sunday	November 12	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship

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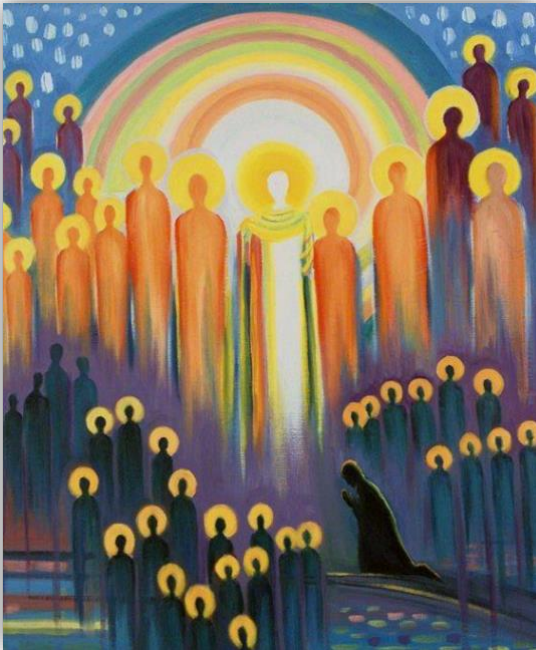
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All Saints by Elizabeth Wang (1942-2016)

IN MEMORIAM

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 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. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. Romans 6:3-5

In joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we remember this day those who have gone before us in faith and now rest from their labors in Jesus Christ:

Rene Chamberlain, niece of Myrna Chamberlain
Helen Dehen, friend of Myrna Chamberlain
Delores Fast, Resurrection Lutheran Church member
Polly Marshall, Resurrection Lutheran Church member
Alice Mayer, mother of Doug Mayer
Pam Miller, cousin of Karen McGregor
JoAnn Proehl, friend of Harvard and Karen Jaeck
Jody Rice, friend of Harvard and Karen Jaeck