

*God will wipe  
away every  
tear from  
their eyes*

**REVELATION 7:17**

All Saints Sunday  
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Leader: People of St. John, what is our purpose?

All: To live for the Lord who made us, to love as Jesus taught us, and to serve where the Spirit leads us.

## Prelude

### + Confession for All Saints Sunday

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one  
God, in whose image we are made,  
who claims us and calls us beloved

C Amen

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy One,

C we confess that we are not awake for you.

We are not faithful in using your gifts.

We forget the least of our siblings.

We do not see your beautiful image in one another.

We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community.

Open our hearts to your coming,

open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,

open our hands to serve your creation.

Amen

P Beloved, we are God's children,  
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through + Jesus you are forgiven,

by Jesus you are welcome,

in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

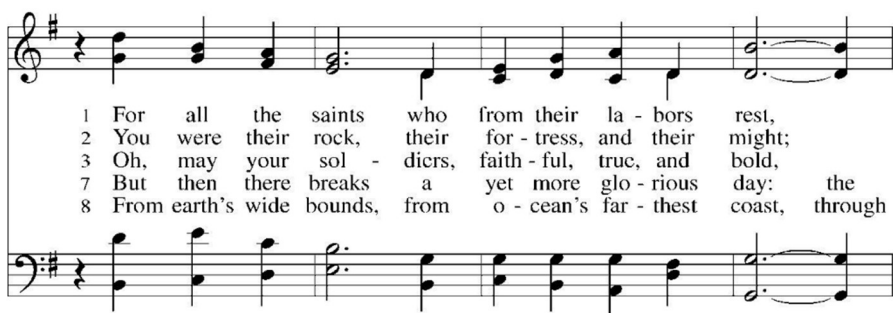
Let us live in the promises prepared for us  
from the foundation of the world.

C Amen

+ Entrance Hymn

*For All the Saints*  
(verses 1, 2, 7 & 8)

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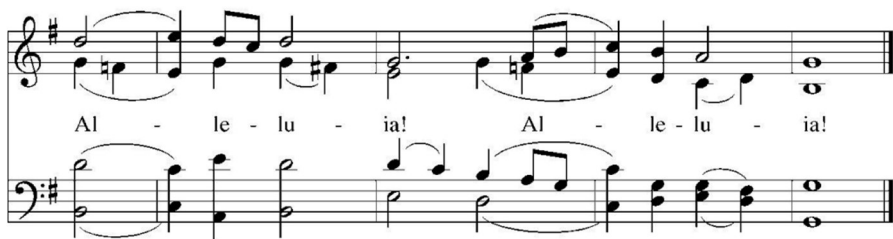
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,  
2 You were their rock, their for - tress, and their might;  
3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,  
7 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the  
8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



all who by faith be - fore the world con - fessed,  
you, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;  
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old;  
saints . . . tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray;  
gates . . . of pearl streams in the count - less host,



your name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
. . . you, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
and win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.  
the King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.  
. . . sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## + Remembrance of All Saints

The presiding minister leads the remembrance in these or similar words.

P: Let us remember all the saints before God.

God, the generations rise and pass away before you. You are the strength of those who labor; you are the rest of the blessed dead. We rejoice in the company of your saints. We remember all who have lived in faith, all who have died, and those most dear to us who rest in you. We name before you now some of those most on our minds and in our hears:

*[There will be a pause so the congregation may speak aloud or silently remember the names of departed loved ones.]*

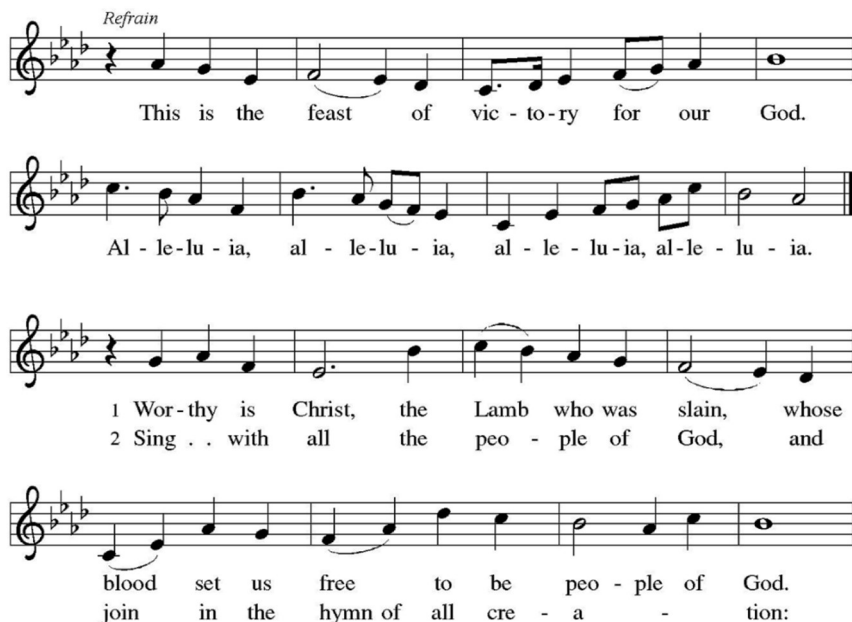
Give us in time our portion with those who have trusted in you and have striven to do your holy will. To your name, with the church on earth and the church in heaven, we ascribe all honor and glory, now and forever.

## C: Amen

Revised from *Pastoral Care: Occasional Services, Readings, and Prayers*, pg. 283

## +Hymn of Praise      This Is the Feast      Rev. 5:9-13

*Refrain*

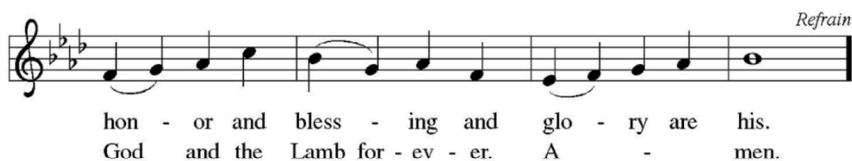


This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



## + Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. . . Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

## Children's Sermon

### First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

<sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup> I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat,

<sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

## **Psalm 34:1-10, 22**

P <sup>1</sup> I will bless the Lord<sup>l</sup> at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

C <sup>2</sup> **I will glory in the Lord;  
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

P<sup>3</sup> Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;  
let us exalt God’s name together.

C <sup>4</sup> **I sought the Lord, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

P <sup>5</sup> Look upon the Lord and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

C <sup>6</sup> **I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

P <sup>7</sup> The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord  
and delivers them.

C <sup>8</sup> **Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

P <sup>9</sup> Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord,  
for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

- C <sup>10</sup> **The lions are in want and suffer hunger,  
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**
- P <sup>22</sup> O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

### Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

<sup>1</sup> See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

### + Alleluia Verse

John 6:68

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

*Repeat alleluia*

### + The Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 5th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup> "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup> "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup> "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ

**Sermon**      **Connected to Our Cloud of Witnesses**      **Pastor Jordan**

## Silence For Reflection

**Hymn of the Day**      *Who Is This Host Arrayed in White*

**#314**

Choir led



1 Who is this host ar - rayed in white like thou - sand snow - clad  
2 On earth their work was not thought wise, but see them now in  
3 O bless - ed saints, now take your rest; a thou - sand times shall



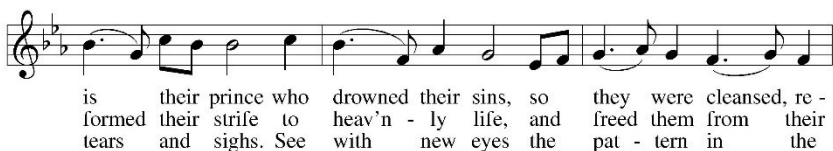
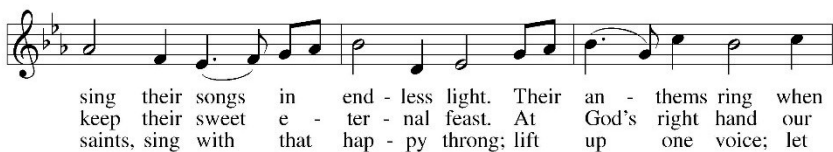
moun - tains bright, that stands with palms and sings its psalms be -  
heav - en's eyes; be - fore God's throne of pre - cious stone they  
you be blest for keep - ing faith firm un - to death and



fore the throne of light? These are the saints who  
shout their vic - t'ry cries. On earth they wept through  
scorn - ing world - ly trust. For now you live at



kept God's word; they are the hon - ored of the Lord. He  
bit - ter years; now God has wiped a - way their tears, trans -  
home with God and har - vest seeds once cast a - broad in



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 Music: DEN STORE HVIDE FLØK, Norwegian folk tune, 17th cent.

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## + Apostle's Creed

- C I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit**  
**and born of the virgin Mary.**  
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,**  
**was crucified, died, and was buried.**  
**He descended into hell.\***  
**On the third day he rose again.**  
**He ascended into heaven,**  
**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

### **+ The Prayers of the People**

P Let us pray.

P United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

P Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways (*local places may be named*). Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy

C **hear our prayer.**

P Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment. God, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness (*especially*). God, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

P With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors (*those who have died in the past year may be named*). Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

C Amen.

+ **The Peace** [shared among the congregation]

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

*The ministers and congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

Peace be with you

R Peace be with you.

## Parish Announcements

### Offering

+ **Offertory** *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful, Lord*

1 Corinthians 10:16 & John 6:35

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## + The Prayer

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## + The Great Thanksgiving

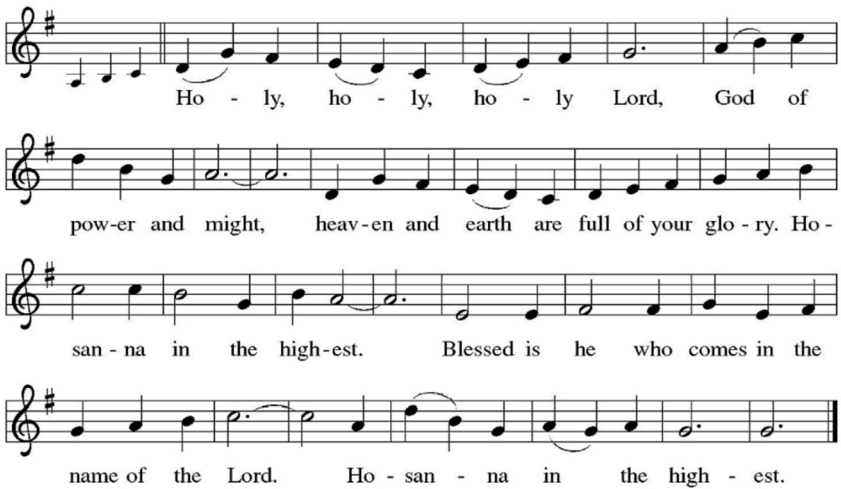
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary that we at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. In the blessedness of your saints you have given us a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling; that, moved by their witness and supported by their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and with them receive the unfading crown of glory. And so, with Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



P We come to this table, not because it itself is so special,  
 But because it is an echo of another table,  
 a table that stretches as far as the eye can see  
 a table that is laden with God's good gifts  
 a table where no one goes hungry or sits alone  
 A table where everyone we ever loved  
 and whoever loved us  
 sits and feasts together.

In our own lives, we sit at tables  
 where there are empty chairs  
 people we love and miss  
 people who no longer stop by for dinner  
 or come in for the holidays.

We grieve those empty chairs,  
 but know that in Christ  
 our separation is only a temporary thing.

We know this to be true for on the night he  
 was betrayed Jesus took bread.....new  
 covenant in my blood for the forgiveness of sin.  
 do this in remembrance of me.

## +The Lord's Prayer

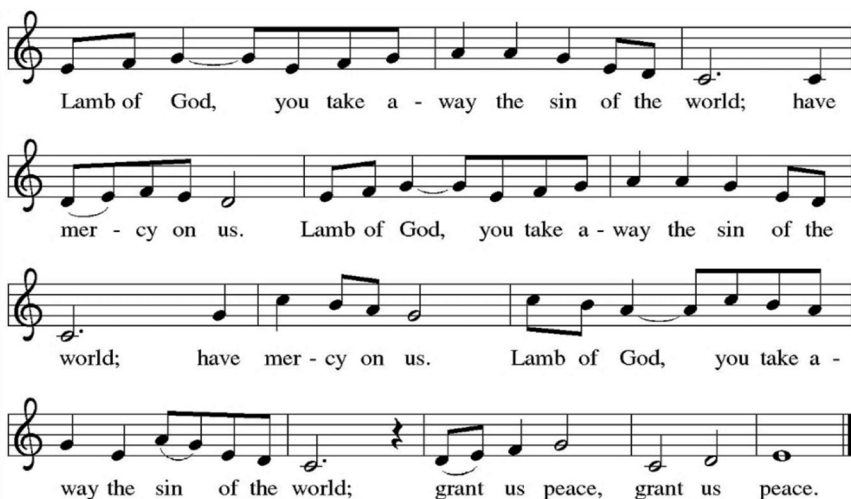
Matthew 6:9-13

**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

**P** For all those who live in your presence God,  
we give thanks,  
and come gladly to this table  
to eat once more with those we love  
to join with all the saints  
all our saints  
in praising Jesus Christ,  
who defeated death  
and leads us all to God's heavenly banquet.

All are welcome here.

John 1:29



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## The Holy Communion

*As the ministers give the bread and wine, he says these words to each communicant:*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: Amen*

*Music during the Communion.*

*Stand*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

### + Post-Communion Canticle *Thank the Lord*



### + Post Communion Prayer

Romans 5:5

P 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.

C Amen

### + The Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

P 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.  
+In the of the Father , and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

C Amen

# + Closing Hymn

## Blessing and Honor

#525



1 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r,  
2 Let all the heav - ens re - sound with his name;  
3 Ev - er as - cend - ing the song and the joy,  
4 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb!



wis - dom and rich - es and strength ev - er - more,  
let all the earth sing his glo - ry and fame,  
ev - er de - scend - ing the love from on high;  
Take we the robe and the harp and the psalm;



of - fer to him who our bat - tle has won,  
O - cean and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flow'r  
bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise—  
sing we the song of the Lamb who was slain,



whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne;  
ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r;  
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise;  
dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign;



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ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r.  
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.  
dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign!

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, alt.

Music: AMERICAN HYMN, Matthias Keller, 1813–1875

# + Dismissal

P Go in peace.

Children Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

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+Stand as you are able

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### SERVING TODAY

|                   |                               |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Organist          | Leigh Ann Henry               |
| Worship Assistant | Vivian Riffel                 |
| Lay Reader        | Shane Tieman                  |
| Prayer Leader     | Kara Tieman                   |
| Greeters          |                               |
| Acolytes          |                               |
| Altar Committee   | Joanne Oakes, Dené DeGonzague |
| Council President | Rick Williams                 |

***WELCOME TO ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH.*** We are pleased you are here. If you are visiting with us this morning, please sign our guest book in the entrance area. We hope you will join us again very soon.

***THIS MORNING WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION.*** St John observes open communion. Christians of all Churches and all denominations are invited and encouraged to join us at our Lord's table. You may drink from either the Common Cup or individual cups. Grape juice is offered as an alternative for those who wish it. Young children who have not yet gone through Preparation for Communion may be brought forward for a blessing.

These are the words of Martin Luther from The Small Catechism.

The benefits of this sacrament are pointed out by the words, given and shed for you for the remission of sins. The words assure us that in the sacrament we receive forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

It is not eating and drinking that does this, but the words, given and shed for you for the remission of sins. These words, along with eating and drinking, are the main thing in the sacrament. And whoever believes these words has exactly what they say, forgiveness of sins.

**LET US PRAY FOR:** Dale Ramey, Emily Smith, Peggy Butler, Roberta Sommer, Patricia Cavendish, Jim Skipworth, Galen Gleim, Grace Mootz, Marcella Mootz, Kay Staker, Linda Martin, Melanie Hawk, Rod Schneider, Brenda Moore, Ken Staker, Greg Piguet, Mary McQuay, Chris Parish, Luke White, Jack Clevenger, Bob Rase, Glenn Rase, Jim Webb, Dennis Klaiber, Cheryl Crank, Shanna Garrett, Belford Sexson, Linda Sexson, Derrick Gleim, Dorrita Gleim, Mackenzie Gleim, Owen Wilburn, Wendi Waugh, Carol Easter, David Otworth, Ed Hughes, Brandon Cline, Colton Snyder, Deacan Kidd, Paul Christian, Amanda Eaton, John Crank, Laura Martin, George Moore, Patricia & Joe Ruggles, Congregation of the Mountain Church in Asmushausen, Germany, the members of our armed forces, and those we hold privately in our hearts

**CHOIR** will practice each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

**LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY** meets each Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

**JOIN PASTOR TIM** for Coffee Hour on November 7 at 10:30 a.m. at Adam’s Flying Pig.

**JOIN US EACH SUNDAY MORNING** for Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.

**NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8** we will honor our Veterans.

**CHURCH COUNCIL** meets next Sunday, November 8 immediately after worship.

Attendance

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| 2026 Average: | 65 |
| 2025 Average  | 62 |

*Serving Next Sunday, November 8*

|                   |                               |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Organist          | Leigh Ann Henry               |
| Lay Reader        | Vicki Nye-Titus               |
| Prayer Leader     | Vicki Nye-Titus               |
| Greeters          | James & Kym Hayman            |
| Acolytes          |                               |
| Altar Committee   | Joanne Oakes, Dené DeGonzague |
| Council President | Rick Williams                 |

## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

**BIRTHDAYS:** Chris Allen, Cole Castaneda, Kaylee Thackston, Jim Webb, Kym Hayman

**BAPTISMS:** George Moore, John Mullins

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

**IF WE MISSED ANYONE** please let Vicki Bradley know so we can add you to the list.

## Happening This Week at St. John

Today—All Saints Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship—*Holy Communion*

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

10:00 a.m. Lectionary Bible Study

Saturday

10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour with Pastor Tim at Adam's Flying Pig

Next Sunday—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship—*Honoring Our Veterans*

11:00 a.m. Church Council Meeting

# **Upcoming Special Events**

**Sunday, November 8**

Honoring Our Veterans  
Church Council Meeting

**Friday, November 13**

Game Night at 6:30 p.m. at St. John

**Sunday, November 29**

Healing Service

**Sunday, December 6**

Blessing of the Blankets  
Church Council Meeting

**Sunday, December 13**

Annual Christmas Dinner followed by  
Caroling

**Sunday, December 20**

Children's Christmas Program

**Friday, December 24**

Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 p.m.

All Saints' Day  
is the  
Memorial Day  
of the Church  
In Memoriam



*Members of St. John who have died since November 1, 2025*

*Others who have died in the faith since November 1, 2025*

Nicholas Young  
Joyce Dettwiller  
Joseph Thicken

*Others who have died in the faith, whose names were presented for remembrance:*

David Basham  
Wells Basham  
Eloise Schafer Basham  
Donna Bolin  
Evelyn Bradley  
Clyde Bradley  
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Cash, Jr.  
Norma Jean Conley  
Henry Cook  
Elmer Cook, Jr.  
Elmer Cook, Sr.  
Charles Cook  
Emma Cook  
George Garrett, Sr.  
Dorothy Garrett  
Carol Gleim  
Loren Gleim  
Donald Gleim

Opal Gleim  
Irene Groh  
Lester Groh  
Kim Harris  
Rosalind Horn  
Joyce Garrett Lay  
Judy Hayes  
Rose Johnson  
Dwight Johnson  
Dale Johnson  
Margaret Ann Maier  
Rev. Martin Maier  
Arthur Moore, Jr.  
Ethel Moore  
James Moore  
Jeff Mullins  
Freda Mullins  
Carl Mullins  
Leonard Nickel  
Mr. & Mrs. Earl Nickel  
Loren Oakes  
Lowell Oakes  
Anna Oakes  
Bertha Oakes  
Fred Oakes  
Alice Oakes  
Dorothy Oakes  
Forrest Oakes  
Kathleen Oakes  
Esther Pilch  
Albert Rase  
Elsie Rase  
June (Rase) Roush  
Juanita Schneider  
Wylie Schneider  
Bob Schneider  
Tony Schneider  
Ralph Scott, Sr.  
Charlotte Scott  
David Scott

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