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**Worship:**

Saturday: 6:15 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (*Located in the church basement*)  
Sunday Morning Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Class: 10:45 a.m.

**Office Hours:**

Monday: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.;  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; (*12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch*)  
Friday, 9 a.m. – Noon

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**From the Pastor**

Grace, mercy and peace to you all from God our Father through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

I pray that you all are well and safe. Continue practicing patience during this confusing time. Keep watch over and stay in contact with family, friends and fellow workers. Simply stay busy doing that which is good and pleasing in the sight of God.

I am including activities and learning suggestions for you and your children of all ages. I hope this will deepen your appreciation and understand of the Divine Service.

### **For younger children**

*Word Search: **Love/Children***

*[Underline or highlight this word or phrase throughout the Divine Service]*

A Sunday School lesson can be found at our website: [www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org](http://www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org)

5<sup>th</sup> graders and older: Mark the service with directional arrows [↗] as to show what direction the interaction between God, us and with each other is taking place. Use these symbols to indicate our posture during the service [ | - standing in respect; ⊔ - kneeling to receive a blessing or show respect; ⊞ - humbly sitting to receive from the Lord].

The coloring page can be saved in Paint 3D for your children and you to color on the computer screen.

Also, have those who can read, answer the questions found throughout the Divine Service. They can highlight or underline the answers usually found above the questions.

### **For older children especially those who are in or have in the past studied Luther's Small Catechism**

Where is this found in the Luther's Small Catechism? Put *LSC* in the margin and the section [*Ten Commandments, Creed, Lord's Prayer, Baptism, Office of the Keys, or the Lord's Supper*] of the catechism where this teaching can be found. [*ex: LSC-Baptism*]

A Bible Study on one of the lessons can be found at our website: [www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org](http://www.trinitylutherantaylorville.org)

### **Adults/parents**

You may find this helpful to do the above also, even the drawing and coloring.

For the youngest of your children, draw a cross or a picture, if your talent so allows, anywhere in the Divine Service and let your little ones color them.

Another excise you can do is to journal your thoughts on the Word and the following service. Each day read through a section and journal your thoughts and/or insights you may have. If you know to insert and use "Text Box" that is a good way to do it. You may also go to "References" and use "Foot Note" to record your thoughts or insight.

### **Registering for afterschool Catechizing Classes**

With public schools going to remote learning and Vision Way still offering full day classes, the afterschool catechizing classes are going to take on a new look. Remote learning without video

capabilities will be offered for those who register for remote learning. Small group sessions can be arranged pending the students' schedule. Once you know their schedules let me know.

Contact the church office to register or if you have any questions.

God bless, keep and increase your faith in Christ as you now read, mark and inwardly digest His Word.

### **Pass It On**

#### **From the office of the Central Illinois District LCMS**

*In preparation for Proper 26 – November 1, 2020*

*This Sunday is "All Saints' Day."* The Christian church has observed All Saints' Day for centuries.

Society doesn't have "saints" anymore, but it has heroes. Leading figures in politics, sports, or entertainment come to mind. Plus, an awareness is developing about "ordinary heroes" all around us: first responders, medical workers, also grocery clerks and delivery personnel, to name a few. We cannot honor them enough. With them, maybe we come as close as we get to having saints.

And we grow bitterly disappointed if they let us down. Living people can lose high-profile jobs, and it's almost as if some of the deceased have to be wiped from memory. Woe be to the heroes whose "halos" slip. We expected something different from them. We wanted them to be . . . saints?!

Perhaps it will surprise us nowadays, but the Gospel lesson that the church began reading centuries ago for All Saints' Day is really not about such halos for humans. It is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. *It will be read in our church service on Sunday.* The first words out of the Lord's mouth were: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3).

The last thing the poor in spirit do is to celebrate their own accomplishments or self-made standing, especially before God. Beggars, they look to Him for everything, especially in the realm of the spirit. And boy, do they know it!

Jesus said these people are blessed because God acts for them. He gives them gifts that can have only because Jesus died for them and rose again. Theirs is the kingdom of heaven, already now but for eternity too.

All who have God-given faith in Christ are "poor in spirit." They are saints, because of Him.

## **WORSHIP FOLDER**

### **ALL SAINTS' DAY**

Comfort and Joy

October 31 & November 1, 2020



#### **As We Gather**

At Christmas is sung "God rest you merry, gentlemen," with "tidings of comfort and joy." Those tidings were made because our Lord had entered

human history. We will finally realize those tidings for ourselves when we join the saints in eternal glory, they who are seen in the vision we will read from Revelation. In the meantime, in these mean times, we rely on hope to get us through each day, as St. Paul writes in the Epistle. That hope is based on our being God's adopted children, brothers and sisters of our risen Lord Jesus. It is both comforting and joyful, no matter our circumstances. As Jesus proclaims in the Gospel's Beatitudes, people with such hope are blessed indeed!

**Order of Divine Service I LSB 151**

**Prayer Before Worship**

O Lord, our creator, redeemer, and comforter, as we come together to worship You in spirit and in truth, we humbly pray that You would open our hearts to the preaching of Your Word so that we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear us for His sake.

**PREPARATION**

**Opening Hymn LSB 677 "For All the Saints"**



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for-tress, and their might;  
 3 Oh, may Thy sol - diers, faith-ful, true, and bold,  
 4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low-ship di - vine!



Who Thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Thy  
 Thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well-fought fight;  
 Fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old And  
 We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; Yet



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 Thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
 win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold!  
 all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.



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

5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,  
 Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
 And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of Glory passes on His way.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

D 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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### Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

### Welcome

P Today we are celebrating All Saints' Day, on which we give thanks "for all the saints who from their labors rest," those who have gone before us in faith. By definition, a saint is anyone looked on as holy by God, and we who have faith in Christ here on earth are already declared by God to be His saints. Indeed, He calls us His children. Knowing the eternal "end of the story" gives us hope in our daily walk through life. That hope is summarized in today's short Epistle.

### Epistle *1 John 3:1-3*

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Confession and Absolution

P Confident of salvation, let us confess our sins to our loving, heavenly Father.  
C **We confess that we have not lived as Your children, Father in heaven. In our thinking, speaking, and acting, we have not demonstrated to the people around us the kind of love You have shown us. Forgive us for these our sins. Open our eyes of faith that we may anticipate seeing You in the eternity that awaits us. Then move us toward purity of living that will give You the glory each day until You return.**

P Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, we are God's children now because of the hope God has poured into us. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

*Who made us children of God?*

## WORD

### Introit Hymn Verses LSB 686 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" sts. 1, 4



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to  
4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,  
love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less  
How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me  
tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.  
an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

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### Kyrie

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For heaven-sent peace and the hope of salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Christ, have mercy.**

P For global peace and the Church's growth in faith and hope, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who here return thanks to God for the hope within them, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Christ, have mercy, now and forever. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise *This Is the Feast LSB 155*

*Refrain*

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

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

1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

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

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

**Prayer of the Day**

- P 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.
- C 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;**
- P through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.**

*Who and where do these saints come from?*

**First Reading** *Revelation 7:2–17*

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

<sup>5</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,  
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,  
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,  
<sup>6</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Asher,  
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,  
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,  
<sup>7</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,  
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,  
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,  
<sup>8</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,  
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,  
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

<sup>9</sup>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, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” <sup>11</sup>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, <sup>12</sup>saying, “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, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” <sup>14</sup>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.

<sup>15</sup>“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.

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

<sup>17</sup>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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Where is this taking place?*

**Psalm** *Psalm 149; antiphon: v. 4*

**C The Lord takes pleasure in His people;  
He adorns the humble with salvation.**

P Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song,  
His praise in the assembly of the godly!  
Let Israel be glad in his Maker;  
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!  
Let them praise His name with dancing,  
making melody to Him with tambourine and lyre!

**C The Lord takes pleasure in His people;  
He adorns the humble with salvation.**

P Let the godly exult in glory;  
let them sing for joy on their beds.  
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. Praise the Lord!

**C The Lord takes pleasure in His people;  
He adorns the humble with salvation.**

**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.**

*In whom does God delight?*

**Holy Gospel** *Matthew 5:1–12*

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

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

<sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth 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 shall be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

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

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when others 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 so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

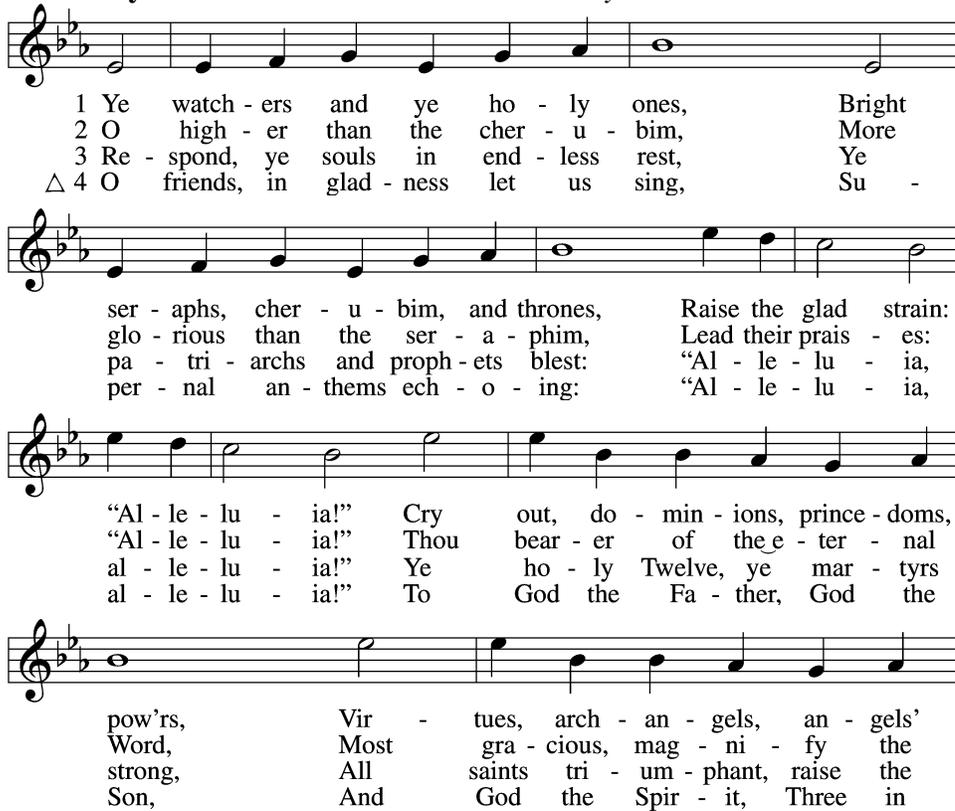
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

*When we think living a Christian life is too hard,  
God’s Word tells us that the Christian life is a  
\_\_\_\_\_ life.*

*Highlight all the phrase that describe us as children  
of God.*

### Hymn of the Day LSB 670 “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, Bright  
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, More  
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, Ye  
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, Su -

ser - aphs, cher - u - bim, and thrones, Raise the glad strain:  
glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, Lead their prais - es:  
pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest: “Al - le - lu - ia,  
per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: “Al - le - lu - ia,

“Al - le - lu - ia!” Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,  
“Al - le - lu - ia!” Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal  
al - le - lu - ia!” Ye ho - ly Twelve, ye mar - tyrs  
al - le - lu - ia!” To God the Fa - ther, God the

pow’rs, Vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels’  
Word, Most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the  
strong, All saints tri - um - phant, raise the  
Son, And God the Spir - it, Three in



choirs: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
Lord: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
song: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
One: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

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### Prayer for Blessing on the Word

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

### Sermon "What Kind of Love" 1 John 3:1–3

Introduction:

"God loves you." Is that a generalization or a fact? Is it something we say or is it true? In good times, we have no problem with this statement. It is in the bad times, that we have our doubts?

God definitely wants us to know that He loves us. And that this is most certainly true. Yet, we struggle with the way in which He pours out His love toward us.

#### I. By His Declaration – His Word

We hear from the Bible that God so love the world. It is written down for us. As I said before, we can easily believe this when things are going well for us in our lives. When we are happy and joyful, it is easy to think and thank God for His love. He has made our lives a delight and it is obvious that God is smiling down upon us.

But when sin, sickness, sorrows and death enters into our lives, it becomes increasingly difficult to believe that God still loves us. Why is He allowing all these horrible feelings and events to happen? Is He angry with us? Is He turning away from us? Does He now despise us and want nothing to do with us? If He does still love us, He sure has a funny way of showing it.

The fact is He still does. He still calls us His children. And that is who we are. That hasn't changed though the world may crumb around us, though sin and death remains close to us, He still loves us.

See what kind of love He has given us. Even though we deserve His anger and wrath, He gives us mercy, grace, forgiveness and love. Even though we have rebelled and sinned against Him, He still calls us His children and gathers us into His presence. Even though we are guilty of sin, He sent His Son Jesus Christ to carry that guilt for us, and by dying on the cross paid the wages of sin with His own death.

It is a funny way of showing His love to us. He sacrificed His Son as the sin offering for us. And sprinkling us with His blood, He washes us clean of our sins. And with His Word and water, He declares us to be His children. This is not a generalization. It is a declaration heard in heaven and in our hearts as we hear His Word, are baptized and receive His body and blood in the Lord's Supper.

## II. By What We Will Be When He Returns

And if that is not enough, He goes even farther in promising to make us like His Son when He returns. This means, we will someday be holy and perfect in every way. We will have a perfect love for God and for others. We will serve Him as quickly and willingly as His Son did. We will be without sin, sickness and death will never draw near us again.

Again, this is the love God has given us. We have not earned it. We do not merit it. There is nothing we have offered or done that would force God to do this for us. It is purely out of Fatherly divine goodness and mercy that He has done this for us.

He raised Jesus from the dead and seated Him at His right hand. He will raise us on the last day and with all the saints, that is, all those who have died in the faith will be gathered into His presence and the presence of the Lamb who sits on the throne.

### Conclusion:

If this was just a statement on God's part, it may be hard and difficult for us to believe it. But God pours out His love through His Word and Sacrament. The Holy Spirit works in our hearts convincing us to cling to this truth. It is not by cognitive powers that we believe this. It is the working of God the Holy Spirit in our hearts so that we are comforted by this truth.

He works to drive away all doubt and fear. And finally when we stand before Christ there will be no more doubt. We will see what kind of love our Father in heaven has given us.

God grant you such peace and assurance.

T AMEN T

### **Prayer for Fruitful Response to the Word**

Most merciful God, You desire everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Grant that by the preaching of Your Gospel we may be given the wisdom that leads to salvation. By the working of Your Holy Spirit keep us attentive to all the teachings of Your Word. Enlighten our minds, control our wills, and purify our affections. Let Your Word be a light for our path that neither the pleasures nor the honors

nor the pains of this life may turn away our thoughts from the fullness of life that is found only in You. Enable us in sincerity of heart to follow You, the only true God. By Your holy Word enlighten all who are in error, doubt, or temptation with the sure and certain knowledge of Your truth that all who live in sin may be led to repentance. Show mercy and grace to all those suffering any distress, to those who are sick or hospitalized, and to those facing death. Let them know the sure comfort of Your holy Word. We commit ourselves and all for whom we pray to Your fatherly care and benediction. Be gracious to us and defend us by Your power. Direct us by Your Spirit that we may daily grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Savior until we shall stand before You in the joy of everlasting glory; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Nicene Creed**

**C 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.**

## Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For ourselves and all who with hope are realizing new beginnings—with new schools to attend, new loves to celebrate, new job opportunities to explore, and new positions in government to assume—that our Lord Jesus would give them joy in their endeavors, let us pray to the Lord.

## Congregational Prayer Response LSB 738 “*Lord of All Hopefulness*” st. 1

1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:  
Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

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P For ourselves and all those who are eagerly returning to their daily circumstances—raising crops and tending herds, transporting goods and offering services, designing products and expanding understanding, defending borders and securing justice, teaching and learning—that the Holy Spirit would give them strength and guidance to serve their neighbors in love and to do God’s will, let us pray to the Lord.

## Congregational Prayer Response LSB 738 “*Lord of All Hopefulness*” st. 2

2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

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P For ourselves and all who in kindness care for one another—offering hospitality to the homeless, healing to the sick, counsel to the sorrowful, and support for the forgotten—that God would increase their love to provide home, health, consolation, and community; and for those near and dear to us who call to Him in hopeful prayer, [*including . . .*], that our gracious Lord would meet their needs of body, soul, and spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

**Congregational Prayer Response LSB 738 “Lord of All Hopefulness” st. 3**



3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:  
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

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P For ourselves and all who find they need gentle relief—vacations from demanding agendas and constructive criticism, retirement from career goals and job expectations, and personal time to listen to God’s gracious Word and to be aware of His constant presence—that our heavenly Father would grant them peace and renew their hope until faith gives way to sight, let us pray to the Lord.

**Congregational Prayer Response LSB 738 “Lord of All Hopefulness” st. 4**



4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:  
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

### All Saints' Reflection

P Merciful Father, Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victorious over death and the grave. We remember with thanksgiving Your servants Martha Louise Bialas, Charles & Delores Castle, Martha Janet Bruns, Debra Prehn, and Lou Silotto who trusted in Christ and who now stand in Your nearer presence where all sorrows are turned to joy. Strengthen us in the confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come that we may await with joy our reunion in Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C Amen.

### Lord's Prayer

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.**

### Hymns

*"Children of the Heavenly Father" LSB 725*



1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly  
2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His  
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the  
4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His



in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in  
ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He  
Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He  
chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
 spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.  
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.  
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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*“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” LSB 575*



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
 4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
 His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
 in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
 then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
 prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
 ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

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**Benediction** *Romans 15:13*

**P** May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

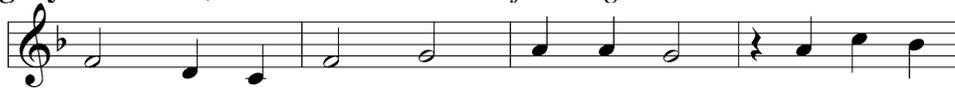
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

**C Amen.**

**Closing Hymn “Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs” LSB 812**



1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs With an - gels  
 2 “Wor - thy the Lamb that died,” they cry, “To be ex -  
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive Hon - or and  
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one To bless the



round the throne; Ten thou - sand thou - sand  
 alt - ed thus!” “Wor - thy the Lamb,” our  
 pow’r di - vine; And bless - ings more than  
 sa - cred name Of Him who sits up -



are their tongues, But all their joys are one.  
 lips re - ply, “For He was slain for us!”  
 we can give Be, Lord, for - ev - er Thine.  
 on the throne And to a - dore the Lamb.

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**Prayer for After the Worship Service**

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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