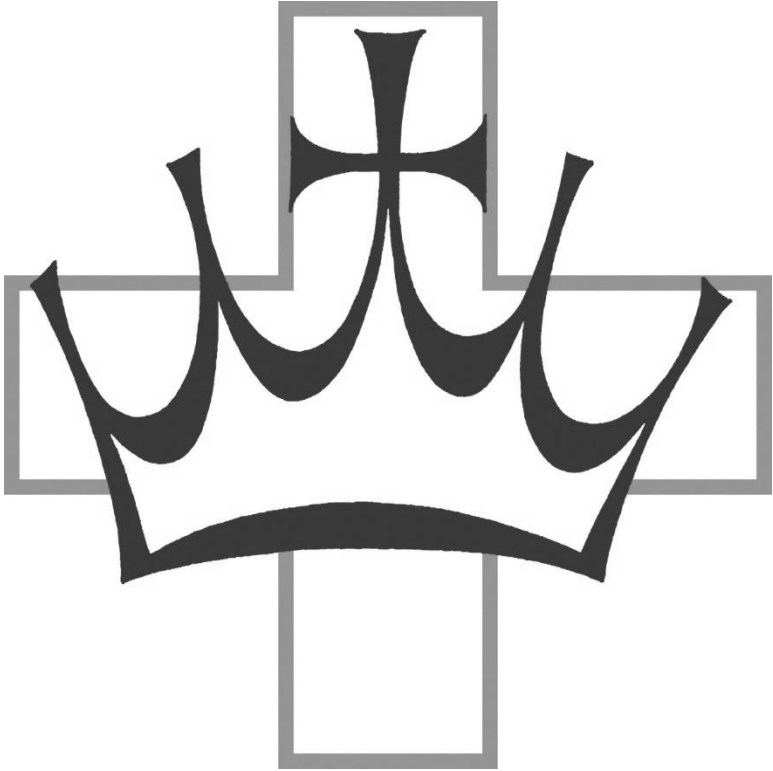


The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



"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."

Revelation 7:17

Order of Worship

November 3, 2024 10:45 AM

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Introit

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

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.

In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.

For you are my rock and my fortress;
and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

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.

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

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

All Saints' Day

Divine Service

Welcome

Invocation

Matthew 28:19

L In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Song

How Great Is Your Goodness

Kerr

Chorus x2, Verse, Chorus, Verse, Chorus, Tag

CHORUS

How great___ is Your good - ness,___ stored up for those___ who fear...
___ You;___ No end___ to the kind - ness___ that
comes from You___ each day.____ We count___ on com - pas -
sion___ in the shei - ter of___ Your pres - ence;___
Hid - den a - way,___ hid - den from harm,___ how great___ Your love,...

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with lines of music corresponding to the lines of text. A double bar line is used to separate the first line of music from the rest of the chorus. The word 'CHORUS' is written above the second staff, which begins with a repeat sign (two dots with a vertical line through them).

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— hid - den a - way, — hid - den from harm, —

— how great — Your love. — *Fine* A ref -

VERSE

uge — so near — us, — You're faith -

ful — each day; — We cry — out, —

You hear — us, — safe in — Your arms, —

— shel - tered — from harm. — How great — is Your good -

D.S. al Fine

Prayer of Confession

- L** Holy Lord, as we stand in your presence, we are aware of our sins of thought, word, and action.
- C** **We have not always lived our lives according to your will.**
- L** We have often failed to live up to your expectations.
- C** **We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**
- L** But we know your promise, that if we confess our sins,
- C** **you will hear our cry, and grant us your forgiveness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

L O Lord, hear us now, as we confess our sins to You.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

L Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Song

White As Snow

Olguin

Sing Twice Through

White as snow, white as snow, Though my
sins were as scar - let, Lord, I know, Lord, I know.
That I'm clean and for - giv - en. Through the
pow - er of Your blood, Through the won - der of Your love,
Through. faith in You I know that I am
now white as snow.

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 149

Spoken responsively

¹Praise the LORD!

Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

**²Let Israel be glad in his Maker;
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!**

³Let them praise his name with dancing,
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!

**⁴For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with salvation.**

⁵Let the godly exult in glory;
let them sing for joy on their beds.

**⁶Let the high praises of God be in their throats
and two-edged swords in their hands,**

⁷to execute vengeance on the nations
and punishments on the peoples,

**⁸to bind their kings with chains
and their nobles with fetters of iron,**

⁹to execute on them the judgment written!
This is honor for all his godly ones. Praise the LORD!

Prayer of the Day

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

C Amen.

First Reading

Revelation 7:9–17

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.

⁶They 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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

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

³Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹Blessed 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."

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

Hymn of the Day

For All the Saints

LSB 677 sts. 1–4, 7–8



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!

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!

△ 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!

Sermon

“Your Future In Christ”

“Therefore we are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter *me* with his presence. *I* will hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike *me*, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be *my* shepherd, and he will guide *me* to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from *my* eyes.”

Prayers of the Church Family and the Lord's Prayer

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

Response after each petition

- Ⓐ Lord, in your mercy,
 - Ⓒ **hear our prayer.**
- Ⓐ “I heard a voice from heaven saying, ‘Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord henceforth.’ ‘Blessed indeed,’ says the Spirit, ‘that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them.’” Let us remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for they were redeemed by God. He gave them new life through His Son in Holy Baptism. He nourished them in the company of His people at His holy table. In His mercy and wisdom, He summoned them to His nearer presence so that they may rest in His blissful peace forever.

Ⓒ **Amen.**

- Ⓐ Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Ⓒ **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.

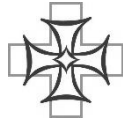
For Thine is the kingdom

and the power and the glory

forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

- L** The Lord bless us and keep us.
 The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.
 The Lord look upon us with favor and ✠ give us peace.
- C** Amen.



Closing Song

Blessed Be Your Name

Redman, Redman

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus x2, Bridge x2, Chorus x2

VERSE

1. Bless - ed be Your Name in the
 2. Bless - ed be Your Name when the

3
 land that is plen - ti - ful; Where
 sun's shin - ing down on me; When the

5
 streams of a - bun - dance flow, bless -
 world's all as it should be, bless -

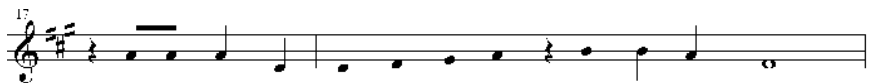
7
 ed be Your Name; Bless - ed be
 ed be Your Name; Bless - ed be

9
 Your Name when I'm found in the des -
 Your Name on the road marked with suf -

12
 ert place, when I walk through the wil -
 fer - ing; Though there's pain in the of -

14
 der - ness, bless - ed be Your Name;
 fer - ing, bless - ed be Your Name;

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Ev-'ry bless-ing You pour out I'll turn back to praise;



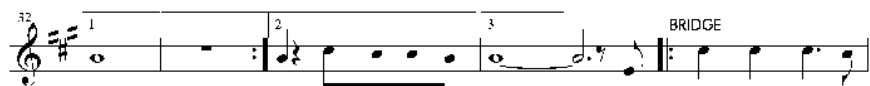
When the dark-ness clos-es in, Lord, still I will say. Bless-ed be the



Name of_ the_ Lord, bless-ed be Your_ Name;_ Bless-ed be the



Name of the Lord, bless-ed be Your glo-ri-ous Name.



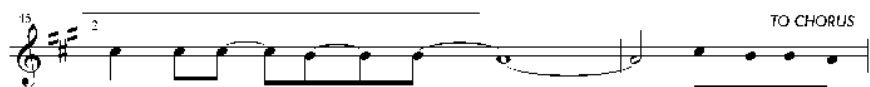
Bless-ed be the You give and take a-



way, You give and take a-way; My heart will choose to



say, "Lord, bless-ed be Your Name", You



bless-ed be Your Name". Bless-ed be the



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Resources for Meditation this Week

ALL SAINTS' DAY (OBSERVED)

3 November 2024

Readings

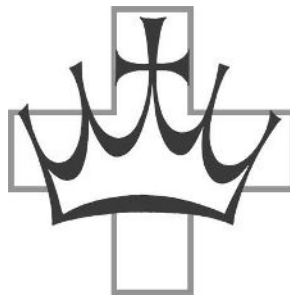
Revelation 7:(2–8) 9–17

1 John 3:1–3

Matthew 5:1–12

Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ

"A great multitude ... from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages," cry out, *"Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne"* (Rev. 7:9–17). Faith-filled saints from every place and time, with unified voices, eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, *"shall see him as he is"* (1 John 3:1–3). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall *"serve him day and night in his temple"* (Rev. 7:9–17). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit through faith in Christ propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).



Readings

Daniel 12:1–3

Hebrews 10:11–25

Mark 13:1–13

The Lord Freely Feeds and Provides for Us with Everything He Has

Those who contribute *“large sums”* from *“out of their abundance”* have done very little. They cannot purchase God’s favor with their money. But the *“poor widow”* with her two small coins, who *“out of her poverty has put in everything she had,”* entrusts herself and her life to the mercy of God (Mark 12:41–44). Such faith is not disappointed, for the Lord is faithful, and He provides for His people by His grace. Thus was the poor widow of Zarephath able to feed the prophet Elijah *“for many days,”* as well as herself and her household, *“according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah”* (1 Kings 17:15–16). He feeds us, too, by His Word, not only with daily bread for this body and life, but unto the life everlasting in Christ Jesus. *“By the sacrifice of himself,”* by the giving of His body and life and all that He had, He has entered *“into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf”* (Heb. 9:24–26). He is our great High Priest and the Temple of God, as well as the priestly food with which He feeds us.

