

St. Mark's Lutheran Church Sunday, November 1, 2020 All Saint's Sunday

INTRODUCTION

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

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O God of the pilgrim's way, we give thanks for those in generations past who have been examples for us of God's love at work in the world. As we pray, we know that we are surrounded by this great, rejoicing cloud of witnesses. Even as we name these holy ancestors, we thank God for others whose names we never knew or have forgotten, who showed us the meaning of life in Christ.

- +Rodney Lammers
- +Suzanne Steinle
- +Jory Konrade
- +Pastor Gordon Hills
- +Stephen Benz Jr.
- +Bishop Herbert Chilstrom
- +Eduardo Abay
- +Carl Hansen
- +DeAnna Layne
- +David Jensen
- +David Ham
- +Dean Poynter
- +Brad Hesse
- +Daisy May Kiefer

- +Michael Londrigan
- +Mick Weissberg
- +Steve Gagnon
- +Tom Thornton
- +Gene Dettmer
- +Norma Roberts
- +Michelle Ford
- +Richard Albers
- +Troy Littrell
- +Melanie Ryding
- +Mayor Michael Copeland
- +Jolene Ham
- +Janice Ham

Holy God, we honor these, our ancestors in faith and members of our family.

We, too, seek to do your will: guide us.

We, too, desire to be your servants: strengthen us.

We, too, long to know you clearly: teach us.

And in time, bring us to our eternal home of peace and joy.

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ELW 424, vs. 1 & 4

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

- Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!" Cry out, dominions, princedoms, pow'rs, archangels, virtues, angel choirs: "Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing:
 "Alleluia! Alleluia!"
 To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One:
 "Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia,

Text: J. Athelstan Riley, 1858-1945

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Psalm: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord; for those who fear the Lord lack nothing. (Ps. 34:9)

- ¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
- ²I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.
- ³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.
- ⁴I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.
- ⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
- ⁶I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD

and delivers them.

- ⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!
- ⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
- ¹⁰The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
- ²²O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, 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 will be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

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

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

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

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

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

¹¹"Blessed are you when people 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 in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

CHILDRENS SERMON Pastor Kris Dietzen **SERMON** Pastor Kris Dietzen



HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 422, vs. 1, 6 & 7

For All the Saints

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:

- the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 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!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

NICENE CREED

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
virgin Mary and became truly human.
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,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped And glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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 Intercession

God of grace and glory, we praise you for your servant Erica Bryer who makes the good news known in Japan. Raise up, we pray, in every country, heralds of the gospel, so that the world may know the immeasurable riches of your love, and be drawn to worship you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Lord of all the saints, we praise you for evangelists and martyrs whose sacrifices witness to your gospel across time and space. Inspire us by their courage to carry our faith to new people and places around us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every place, the universe proclaims your greatness from generation to generation. Bless the work of naturalists, conservationists, and park rangers who train our attention to the wonders of the world you have made. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every nation, guide this country—red states and blue states, rural voters

and urban voters, young and old—as we share in another national election. Kindle hearts eager to understand our common needs and seek our common good. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every blessing, your Son's blessing came to those living with poverty, grief, hunger, thirst, and persecution. Shape our vision of the saints to match his own. Awaken in us your call to serve all who suffer. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord of every venture, anoint us with the missionary spirit of the early church. Bless all new missions of our synod (*especially*). Empower testimony from new communities of faith to shape a diverse witness to your saving power. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Lord of every time, countless are the multitudes you have called by name and gathered to yourself. Comfort us as we grieve those who have died in the past year (here the names of those who have died in the previous year may be read). In faith, may we join with them in ceaseless praise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, until that day when you gather all creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever.

Amen.

COMMUNION LORD'S PRAYER RECESSIONAL HYMN ELW 414, vs. 1 & 4

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

1 Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you. All on earth your scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore you. Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign. 4 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name you,
though in essence only one;
undivided God we claim you
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900

BLESSING

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God, Sovereign,

→ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor. Thanks be to God.



PRAYER REQUESTS & CONDOLENCES

Contact Janet Anderson at 913.780.6408 to add names to the prayer chain or to join the prayer chain.

Please contact the church office to make changes to this list.

St. Mark's members:

Ginny Schwartzbeck, Shane Paulson, Pete Cagle, Jeanette Cain, Ron & Ann Gardner, Darrell Strampe, Janet Schmidt, Susan Roberts, Phyllis Dettmer, Jerry Kay Lage, Madison Young

Family & friends: Steele McLaren, friend of the Luins, Leo Patton, Grandfather of Jason Howe, Gary Stepenson, Uncle of Jason Howe. Rick Thornton, family of the Andersons, AJ, Son-in-law of the Andersons, Rowan Espey, family of Barbara Strampe. Bruce Campbell, Brother-in-law of Joni Benz, Steve Nelson, cousin of Louise Easterberg, McKenna, Granddaughter of the Johnsons, Family of Olathe Mayor, Mike Copeland, Lena Shelton, friend of the Schmideskamps, Crissy, cousin of Tom Bryer, Caroline, aunt of Nancy Bryer, Neil Wray, Son of Lynn and Tom, Brian Lynn, cousin of Amy Hackler, Jeff Needham, friend of St. Mark's, Peggy Hinkle, Step-Mother of Kathy Hinkle, Stephanie Herndon, friend of Kathy Hinkle, Judy Wagner, Sister-in-law of Paula Quade, Tim Eiter, Father of Todd Eiter, Rebeka Gillette, friend of Janet Nichols, Jackie Warriner, Sister-in-law of Linda Good-Shirley, neighbor of Mary Weeg, Don Thun, Father of Matt Thun, Ken Liesche, Brother of 'Sam' Ham, Don Ham, Brother of Hollie Ham, Kelly Franks, Daughter of Hollie and 'Sam' Ham, Aeris, Great Niece of Tom Bryer, Sammy Schreiman, friend of Kathy Hinkle, Catherine Dial, relative of Anne Gardner, Karen Bannister, friend of Jane Scherrer, "Our little friend", Catherine Tietjen, Mary Mindrup's sister, Rob Bouler, friend of Mark Schmideskamp, Matt Warriner, Great Nephew of Linda Goodheart. Joan Nelson, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart, Dean Taake, Joyce Johnson's brother,

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Joanne, Amy Fisher's sister,
Neil Warriner, Linda Goodheart's brother,
Bob Hinkle, Kathy Hinkle's dad,
Judy Wendt, Jeannine Matthew's
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Rosemary Williams & her sons Wayne & Wade
Beck,
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Stewart,
Dan Ostergaard - friend of the Goodhearts,
Bruce Dawson, friend of the Goodhearts,
Jackson Werth, friend of the Bott/Bollinger Families,
Kirk Wheeler, cousin of Verna McMullin,
Ivan, brother of Jane Stresewski,
All People affected by natural disasters

Those in the Military:

A.J. Simons, nephew of Stan and Karen Thompson.

Logan Peck, nephew of Karen and Stan Thompson,

Zack Moran-Prichard, grandson of Hollie and Sam Ham