



St. Luke Lutheran Church

All Saints Sunday • 8AM • November 1, 2020

Prelude: *"Our God is an Awesome God"* 3X

**Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above.
With wisdom, power, and love. Our God is an awesome God**

Confession and Forgiveness *(please stand as you are able)*

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

L: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: *(you may be seated)* #765 *"Lord of All Hopefulness"*

Verse 1: Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Verse 2: Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Verse 3: Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Verse 4: Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Greeting: L: 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.

Kyrie L: Kyrie eleison **C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Christe eleison **C: Christ, have mercy.**

L: Kyrie eleison **C: Lord, have mercy.**

"Glory to God"

Verse 1: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

**Refrain: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God glory to God & peace to God's people on earth.**

Verse 2: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. [Refrain]

Verse 3: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. [Refrain]

**Final: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God & peace to God's people on earth, and peace to God's people on earth.**

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, & to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior & Lord, who lives & reigns with you & the Holy Spirit, one God, now & forever. Amen.

Epistle Reading: 1 John 3:1-3 ¹See 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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Gospel Acclamation: "Celtic Alleluia" (Stand as you are able) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 2X

L: The holy gospel according to.... C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Good News: Revelation 7:9-17 (Please stand as you are able) ⁹After 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. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And 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, ¹²singing, "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, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that 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. ¹⁵For 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. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for 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."

L: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon: (you may be seated)

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: #422 "For All the Saints"

Verse 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!

Verse 2: Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 3: O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 4: O blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 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!

Verse 6: The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful warrior cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Verse 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!

Verse 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!

Remembering of the Saints:

P: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

C: I will fear no evil; for you are with me.

P: God is my shepherd, leading me to green pastures and still waters. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

C: I will fear no evil; for you are with me.

P: You prepare a table for me; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

C: I will fear no evil; for you are with me.

P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

P: We remember today the saints from our own community who now take hold of their baptismal promises & dwell in the house of the Lord forever, especially those who passed within this past year: *Chuck Nord, Larry Holm, Robert Reese, Dan Dicke & LeeAnn Carlson*

P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our life,

C: And we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Amen.

Lighting Candles of Remembrance: *Today we light candles in our remembrance of the saints. Each lit candle represents the light of Christ still burning in our loved ones who have passed away. The Paschal candle is also lit as a reminder of the unextinguishable fire of the Holy Spirit bestowed upon us in our baptisms. The flame of the Paschal candle points us to the presence of the resurrected Christ, who is with us even now and with those who have done before us. Unlit candles are now lit in memory of those who have passed away since All Saints Sunday last year: Chuck Nord, Larry Holm, Robert Reese, Dan Dicke & LeeAnn Carlson*

Apostles' Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, & was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: (call and response)

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. Grant healing touch to those who are ill especially; Keith Brown, Ava Dicke, Jim Howard, Brad Roschen, Zach Gravemann, Naomi Berland, Nathlye Benrud, Donald Hadler, Nancy & Donald Nord, Dean Kirkland, Marlene & Lloyd Roschen, Finley Budensiek, Lauren Brown, Hunter Burow & Karl Thomforde. 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. Empower testimony from new communities of faith to shape a diverse witness to your saving power. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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; Chuck Nord, Larry Holm, Robert Reese, Dan Dicke & LeeAnn Carlson. 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.**


Sharing the Peace: L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power & might, heav'n & earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Amen, amen, amen.

Words of Institution

Offering & Doxology:

 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer: God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you C: **And also with you**

L: Lift up your hearts. C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Salutation

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power & might, heav'n & earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. Amen, amen, amen.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer: 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; & forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; & lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, & the power, and the glory, forever & ever. Amen.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. 2X

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Communion Blessing and Communion Prayer: God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, & in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior & Lord. C: **Amen.**

Blessing (*please stand as you are able*)

L: May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor + and give you peace. C: **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: #774 "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

Verse 1: What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms;
What A Blessedness, What A Peace Is Mine, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms.

Refrain: Leaning, leaning, safe & secure from all alarms; Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Verse 2: O How Sweet To Walk In This Pilgrim Way, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms;
O How Bright The Path Grows From Day To Day, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms. [Refrain]

Verse 3: What Have I To Dread, What Have I To Fear, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms?
I Have Blessed Peace With My Lord So Near, Leaning On The Everlasting Arms. [Refrain]

Dismissal L: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.
C: **Amen. Thanks be to God.**

"Go In Peace" 3X written by Debbi St. John

**Go In Peace And serve the Lord your God. Sow the seeds about the man of love.
Go into the world and tell them One by one. Go tell them what Jesus has done**