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Divine Service

for the

Feast of All Saints



Our Savior Lutheran Church

Westminster, Massachusetts

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Visitor, you are very welcome here.

Please contact us with questions or prayer requests, and come worship with us again. Our pastor would be very glad to meet with you. May our Lord's Word be a blessing to all who gather in His name.

For those caring for young children or who have difficulty standing for the prayers, hymns, or other parts of the service, please know that you may sit as you find need or comfort.

Don't be embarrassed if your children make noise during worship—all children do. We encourage families to worship together. If needed, there is a nursery available in the basement during service and Bible class.

Out of courtesy to your brothers and sisters, please silence your cell phone and refrain from leaving or entering the sanctuary during the readings and the prayers.

Holy Communion

We welcome to the Lord's Table members of Our Savior and members of sister congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Pastor Gregory would be very glad to instruct you so that you can confess Jesus Christ with us and receive His holy body and blood for forgiveness, life, and salvation.

Spiritual Care

Individual confession and absolution, spiritual care, and pastoral counsel are available by appointment. Please contact the church office to schedule a time.

Christian Education

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study follow the service. Preschool, pre-kindergarten and lower elementary meet in the church basement; upper elementary in the teller room; junior high and high school at the parsonage; and adults in the sanctuary.

Serving in Worship Today

Preacher & Celebrant	Pastor Peter Gregory
Liturgist	Ray Arsenault
Organist	Mary Gregory
Crucifer	Matt Connell
Acolytes	Siam Gregory, Liam McGuire

Prayer for Worship

Before service: Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

For Holy Communion: Lord Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, cleanse us by the power of Your redeeming blood that in purity and peace we may worship and adore Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving for the faithful departed: Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

Preparation for Confession

The First Commandment: You shall have no other gods. *What does this mean?* We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.

Questions for self-examination

- Do I complain about the troubles, people, work, and suffering God lays on me?
- Do I love the things God gives more than I love Him?
- Do I cling to what God takes away, even though He gives me Himself?

Cover Illustration

The Last Judgment by Fra Angelico (ca. 1425–1430).

> Please stand and face the processional crucifix. <

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN – TUNE & TXT: LSB 677, STANZAS 1–5



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THE INVOCATION *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with sincere hearts to confess our sins to God, our Father, and to plead in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ for His forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8*

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
and You forgave the guilt of my sin. *Psalm 32:5*

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

All-Powerful God, merciful Father, I, a poor, pitiful sinner, confess to You all my sins and unrighteousness. By them I have continually offended You and fairly deserved Your punishment, both now and eternally. But from my heart I am sorry for them, and I sincerely repent of them, and I pray You, in Your limitless mercy for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

The Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

Amen.

THE INTROIT

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. *Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 31:1, 3, 5*
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.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE *Mark 10:47*

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

THE GLORIA HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 948

1 All glory be to God alone,
Forevermore the highest one,
Who did our sinful race befriend
And grace and peace to us extend.
Among us may His gracious will
All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.

2 We praise You, God; Your name we bless
And worship You in humbleness;
From day to day we glorify
The everlasting God on high.
Of Your great glory do we sing,
And to Your throne our thanks we bring.

3 Lord God, our King on heaven's throne,
Our Father, the Almighty One.
O Lord, the sole-begotten One,
Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son,
True God from all eternity,
O Lamb of God, to You we flee.

4 You take the whole world's sin away;
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
You take the whole world's sin away;
O Lord, receive our prayer this day.
From God's right hand Your mercy send,
To all the world Your grace extend.

5 You only are the Holy One
And over all are Lord alone.
O Jesus Christ, we glorify
You and the Spirit, Lord Most High;
With Him You evermore shall be
One in the Father's majesty.

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THE SALUTATION *2 Timothy 4:22*

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray. > *Silence for personal prayers.* < *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.* **Amen.**

The Reading of God's Word

The First Reading: Revelation 7:9–17

After the reading:
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading: 1 John 3:1–3

After the reading:
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

The Holy Gospel: *Matthew 5:1–12*

Glory be to You, O Lord!

After the reading:

Praise be to You, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED

Having heard the Word, what do you believe?

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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father, and He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one, holy, catholic, 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.

HYMN OF THE DAY – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 725

1 Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.

2 God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.

3 Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

4 Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

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The Sermon

Revelation 7:9–17

THE OFFERTORY *Psalm 51:10–12*

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Do not cast me out of Your presence, nor take Your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and sustain me with a free spirit. Amen.

The Presentation of the Offering

I will offer the thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.
O LORD, my strength, I love You.

The Prayer of the Church with the Remembrance of the Sainted Dead

During the Prayer of the Church on All Saints, we remember and thank God for the saints who have gone before us. They testify of God's grace and serve as role models of Christian faith and life. This list, named with their first or "Christian" (baptismal) name, includes saints from the Bible, Church history, our congregation, as well as our own family and friends.

Each petition concludes: Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*
It is good and right that we do.

THE PROPER PREFACE

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, encouraged by their faith and strengthened by their fellowship, may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore with angels and arch-angels and all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

Holy, holy, holy LORD God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

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.

The Words of Institution

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

THE PAX DOMINI *John 20:19*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI *John 1:29*

O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Your peace. Amen.

Holy Communion

> Note about Holy Communion: All who receive Holy Communion here must first be instructed. Our pastor will be very glad to instruct you. Please contact the office for an appointment. Those who have not been instructed may come forward with their arms crossed to receive a blessing. <

Psalm 149 (antiphon: v. 4)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN – TUNE: LSB 648 & TEXT: TLH 471, STANZAS 1–3, 5–6

1 Hark! The sound of holy voices chanting at the crystal sea,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord, to Thee.
Multitudes which none can number like the stars in glory stand,
Clothed in white apparel, holding palms of vict'ry in their hand.

2 Patriarch and holy prophet, who prepared the way of Christ,
King, apostle, saint, confessor, martyr, and evangelist,
Saintly maiden, godly matron, widows who have watched to prayer,
Joined in holy concert, singing to the Lord of all, are there.

3 They have come from tribulation and have washed their robes in blood,
Washed them in the blood of Jesus; tried they were, and firm they stood.
Mocked, imprisoned, stoned, tormented, sawn asunder, slain with sword,
They have conquered death and Satan by the might of Christ the Lord.

4 Now they reign in heavenly glory, now they walk in golden light,
Now they drink, as from a river, holy bliss and infinite.
Love and peace they taste forever and all truth and knowledge see
In the beatific vision of the blessed Trinity.

△ **5 God of God, the One-begotten, Light of Light, Emmanuel,**
In whose body, joined together, all the saints forever dwell,
Pour upon us of Thy fulness that we may forevermore
God the Father, God the Spirit. one with Thee on high, adore.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 623

1 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray
That we may feast on You today;
Beneath these forms of bread and wine
Enrich us with Your grace divine.

2 Give us, who share this wondrous food,
Your body broken and Your blood,
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n,
The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.

3 By faith Your Word has made us bold
To seize the gift of love retold;
All that You are we here receive,
And all we are to You we give.

4 One bread, one cup, one body, we,
Rejoicing in our unity,
Proclaim Your love until You come
To bring Your scattered loved ones home.

5 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray:
O keep us steadfast till that day
When each will be Your welcomed guest
In heaven's high and holy feast.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 670

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"
Cry out, dominions, princedoms, pow'rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

2 O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"
Thou bearer of the_eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
"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, alleluia!"

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THE POST-COMMUNION HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 941



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THE THANKSGIVING *Psalm 107:1*

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,
and His mercy endures forever.

THE THANKSGIVING COLLECT

Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE SALUTATION *2 Timothy 4:22*

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

THE BENEDICAMUS *[Psalm 103:1]*

Bless we the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ✢ give you peace.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 677, STANZAS 6–8



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God's People at Prayer

For Home Devotions

The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Readings from Holy Scripture

These may be read in the morning and evening, as suggested here, or in any way that best works with your schedule.

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Su	Deuteronomy 34:1–12	Matthew 21:1–22
M	Jeremiah 1:1–19	Matthew 21:23–46
Tu	Jeremiah 3:6–4:2	Matthew 22:1–22
W	Jeremiah 5:1–19	Matthew 22:23–46
Th	Jeremiah 7:1–29	Matthew 23:1–12
F	Jeremiah 8:18–9:12	Matthew 23:13–39
Sa	Jeremiah 11:1–23	Matthew 24:1–28

On the Saints

Our Confession approves giving honor to the saints. This honor is threefold. The first is thanksgiving: we should thank God for showing examples of His mercy, revealing His will to save people, and giving teachers and other gifts to the Church. Since these are His greatest gifts, we should extol them very highly; we should also praise the saints themselves for using these gifts, just as Christ praises faithful businessmen (Matthew 25:21, 23). The second honor is the strengthening of our faith: when we see Peter forgiven after his denial, we are encouraged to believe that grace does indeed abound more than sin (Romans 5:20). The third honor is the imitation, first of their faith and then of their other virtues, which each should imitate in accordance with his calling.

We also grant that the saints in heaven pray for the Church in general, as they prayed for the Church universal while they were on earth. . . . That does not mean, [however,] they should be invoked.

Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXI:4–6, 9, 10

Hymn

The hymn stanza may be sung or spoken.

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! *LSB* 677:7

Daily Prayer

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

As children of the heavenly Father, we are bold to pray.

Su	For God's name to be kept holy through pure teaching and holy living
M	For God's kingdom to come and increase through the gift of the Holy Spirit
Tu	For God to hinder every evil plan and purpose of the world, the devil, and the sinful nature
W	For daily bread and contentment in all things
Th	For forgiveness of our sins and of those who sin against us
F	For protection in the midst of temptation
Sa	For rescue from all evils of body and soul and, when our last hour comes, a blessed end

The Lord's Prayer

Collect of the Week

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,. Amen.

Readings for the Third-Last Sun. before Advent

Amos 5:18–24; Psalms 70 (v. 4) & 45 (v. 2b);
1 Thessalonians 4:13–18; Matthew 25:1–13