November 5, 2023—All Saints Sunday

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.

Liturgy and hymns are in the Red Hymnal unless otherwise noted.

Gathering *Indicates to stand if you are able

Prelude and Bell

Welcome and Announcements

- * Confession & Forgiveness pg. 94
- * "Gather Us In" #532
- * Greeting pg. 138
- * Prayer of the Day

Word

Revelation 7:9-17 (page 221 NT in pew Bible)

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (on screen)

- 1 John 3:1-3 (page 212 NT in pew Bible)
- * Gospel Acclamation pg. 142
- * Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12 (page 88 NT in pew Bible)

(after announcement of Gospel: Glory to you, O Lord)

(response after reading of Gospel: **Praise to you, O Christ**)

Message

"Praise and Thanksgiving" #689

Service of Remembrance (on insert)

* Statement of Faith: Apostles' Creed pg. 105

- * Prayers of the Church
- * Sharing the Peace

Meal

- * Offering
- * The Great Thanksgiving pg. 144
- * "Holy, Holy, Holy" pg. 144
- * Words of Institution
- * The Lord's Prayer
- * "Be Thou My Vision" #793 vs 1 & 2

Communion Distribution You are welcome to come to the altar to receive Holy Communion. If you prefer, gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. Just ask the server.

* Post Communion Prayer

Sending

Blessing

"Give Thanks for Saints" #428

Dismissal and Bell

Remember in your prayers

Anita Stoker, Marla Miller, Mick Rose, those affected by COVID-19, those who serve in the military, families of victims of war, natural disasters, violence, those in our nursing homes and those who are homebound. Continue to pray for the overseas missionary we support, Reverend Dr. Philip J. Knutson and Lou Knutson serving in South Africa.

upcoming events and announcements

THANK YOU to Pastor Rick Hoyme for leading us in worship this morning. **COFFEE/FELLOWSHIP** Join us in the fellowship hall for coffee and treats.

LUNCH BUNCH meets on Wednesday, November 8th at 11:30am at Fireside. All are welcome to join us!

SILENT AUCTION IS OPEN UNTIL MONDAY! Check out the items up for bid (hosted by Zielsdorf Auction). Bidding runs through Monday, November 6.

THANKOFFERING COLLECTION containers are available in the Narthex. Please pick one up and collect your loose change. Money from this collection goes to support the life-changing ministries of the Women of the ELCA. We will collect the offering during worship on Sunday, November 12 or they can be dropped off at the church office.

FAITH LUTHERAN MEATBALL DINNER on Wednesday, November 8, serving from 4:30-7:00pm. On the menu: meatballs and gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, coleslaw, lefse and pumpkin bar. Adults \$15, \$6 for children 10 and under, Free for Preschoolers. Dine-in or take-out.

FALL FESTIVAL at Kongsvinger Lutheran Church on Sunday, November 19th from 11:00am to 1:00pm. On the menu: grilled pork chop, baked potato, candied carrots, assorted salads and desserts, rolls, pickles, coffee and milk. Adults \$15 and Children 10 and under \$10. Also a Bake Sale and Raffle.

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP at FAITH Lutheran Church on Wednesday, November 22nd at 6:00pm. Pie and fellowship after the service.

HELP NEEDED! First Lutheran is in need of worship servants! If you are willing to help serve as an usher/head usher, communion preparer, communion server, nursery attendant or an audio/video tech, please contact the church office. Training will be provided!

Today's Worship Servants: Sunday, November 5

Ushers: Al Harris, Ward Voorhees, Linda Holland

Lector: Cathy Anderson Nursery: Robi Bowman

Acolyte: Abigail Anderson & Brenna Jergenson

Communion Prep: Liz Harris (bread)

Communion Servers: Ray Bowman, Doug & Sharon Ehlers

Video: Steve Wagner TV slides: Chance Buro

Next Week's Worship Servants: Sunday, November 12

Ushers: Dick Smith, Dave Jungst, Kellie Hentges

Lector: LeAnn Dean Nursery: Lindy Ekola

Acolyte: Brayden Carlson & Aaden Schultz **Communion Prep:** Vicki Dalager (bread)

Communion Servers: Bob Dalager, Emilie Brustuen, Judy Buro **Video:** Mike Odello **TV slides:** Connor Siegel



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TODAY: Sunday, Nov 5 All Saints Sunday

8:30am: Sunday school

9:30am: Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am: Coffee/Fellowship 2:00-4:00pm: Girl Scouts

Monday, Nov 6

no events scheduled

Tuesday, Nov 7

11:00am: Pastor's Text Study 6:00pm: Property Committee meeting

Wednesday, Nov 8

6:00-7:30pm: Element Classes at First 7:00-8:30pm: Sr. Fusion at First

Thursday, Nov 9

8:30am: Share & Care (quilting group)

Friday, Nov 10

no events scheduled

Saturday, Nov 11

8:00am: Men's Bible Study at Faith Lutheran

Sunday, Nov 12

9:30am: Worship with Holy Communion 10:30am: Coffee/Fellowship 2:00-4:00pm: Girl Scouts

Service of Remembrance

O God of the pilgrim's way, even through our tears, we give you thanks for those in generations past who have been examples for us of your love at work in the world. As we pray, we trust that we are surrounded by this great, rejoicing cloud of witnesses.

Yet even as we name these holy ancestors, we thank God for others whose names we never knew or heave forgotten, who showed us the meaning of life in Christ. **We give thanks.**

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.

We too, grieve our dead.....heal us.

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

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We praise you, too, O God, for the faith and witness of those who have died since we last observed All Saint's Sunday: Abby Stone, Dennis Neisus, Harriet Stevenson, Russell Anderson, John Eblen, Jo Hoffart, Arlene Fellows, John Papke, Robert Staples, and Dick Bluth.

May God preserve their memory, comfort their families, and grant us grace as we seek to live our lives to Christ's glory.

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