



Sunday, November 1, 2026

All Saints Sunday

*As you enter, you are invited into a time
to silently reflect and center for worship*

**Services are live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook
each week. Welcome to all to view.**

PRELUDE

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GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN **ELW 422** *"For All the Saints"*

GREETING

P/ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R/ And also with you.

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.**

WORD

FIRST READING

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After 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. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ And 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, ¹² singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who 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.

¹⁵ For 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.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat,

¹⁷ for 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/Word of God, Word of Life **R/Thanks Be to God**

PSALM

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

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

¹ I will bless the LORD at all times;

the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

² **I will glory in the LORD;**

let the lowly hear and rejoice.

³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;

let us exalt God’s name together.

⁴ **I sought the LORD, who answered me**

and delivered me from all my terrors.

⁵ Look upon the LORD and be radiant,

and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶ **I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me**

and saved me from all my troubles.

⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD

and delivers them.

⁸ **Taste and see that the LORD is good;**

happy are they who take refuge in God!

⁹ Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,

for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰ **The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

²² O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

SECOND READING

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

1 John 3:1-3

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

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GOSPEL

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.

Matthew 5:1-12

P/ The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 5th chapter. R/Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And 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 the sake of righteousness, 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. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

P/ The Gospel of the Lord R/ Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ACS 1030 "Death Be Never Last"

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(READING OF NAMES of dear ones we have lost but not forgotten)

LITANY

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the faithful who have gone before us and are at rest, let us give thanks to the Lord. **Alleluia.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN: **ELW 736** *"God the Sculptor of the Mountains"*

OFFERING PRAYER:

God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.

All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING:

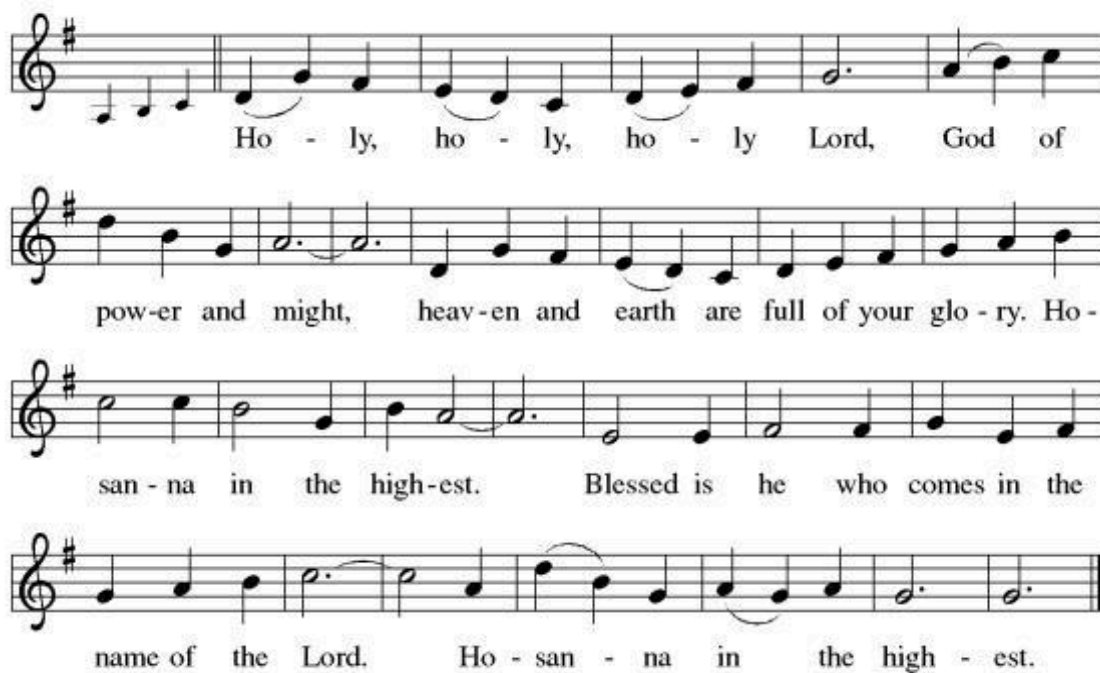
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to our God. **It is right to offer our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE & HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

P/..... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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; 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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.



DISTRIBUTION HYMN **ELW 474** *"Bread of Life From Heaven"*
 ELW 592 *"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN **ACS 950** *"When the Saints Go Marching In"*

DISMISSAL: Go out in peace. Encourage one another. **Thanks be to God.**

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