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November 2, 2025

All Saints Sunday

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

"SHINE" CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 6:00 PM (1ST SATURDAYS-CHAPEL)

SUNDAY

THE DIVINE LITURGY: 9:00AM
EDUCATION HOUR: 10:30AM

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+ **To parents with small children:** We are glad your family is worshiping with us today! ***"Quiet Bags"*** (supplies & activities for use by small children) are available in the Welcome Area. If you or your child need a break from the service, feel free to use the Welcome Area/narthex (the service is audible over the speakers).

+ An **accessible Restroom** is available off the Welcome Area/Narthex next to the **accessibility lift** to the lower level. **Parish Hall and additional Restrooms** are located on the lower level of the main church building. The stairway is off the entrance foyer. An usher will be happy to assist you with the lift.

+ **Assistive listening devices** and **low vision items** are available. Please ask one of our ushers for assistance.

+ **Land Acknowledgement:** This church is located on the original and ancestral homelands of the **Quapaw**, **Myaamia**, **Kaskaskia**, and **Kickapoo** peoples, and we give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and still call this land home.

PRELUDE *"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"* *arr. by J. Wilson*

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM *Please* **STAND** *as you are able and turn to the font*

Blessed be the one God – Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit – our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Blessed are you, holy God,

You are the creator of the waters of the earth. You are the fire of rebirth. You poured out your Spirit on your people Israel. You breathe life into our dry bones. Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth.

Pour out your Holy Spirit and breathe new life into us, who have been washed in the waters of baptism. By your Spirit adopt us all as your children, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, who gives us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN **"For All the Saints"** **ELW 422, vv. 1-3, 7**

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!

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!

3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleuia!

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!

GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE **"Glory to God"** **ELW 204**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray... 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.**

Following the prayer, please **SIT.**

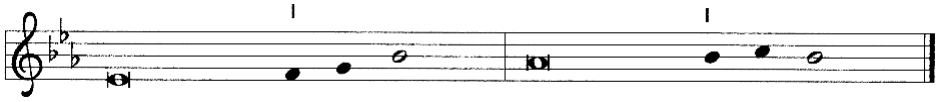
WORD

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

[1]In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: [2]I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, [3]and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. [15]As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. [16]I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: [17]As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. [18]But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**.

PSALM 149 *chanted in responsively between choir and congregation*



[1] Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD | a new song,
God's praise in the assembly | of the faithful.
[2] **Let Israel rejoice | in their maker;**
let the children of Zion be joyful | in their ruler.
[3] Let them praise their maker's | name with dancing;
let them sing praise with tambou- | rine and harp.
[4] **For the LORD takes pleasure | in the people**
and adorns the | poor with victory.
[5] Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph;
let them sing for joy | on their beds.
[6] **Let the praises of God be | in their throat**
and a two-edged sword | in their hand,
[7] to wreak vengeance | on the nations
and punishment | on the peoples,
[8] **to bind their | kings in chains**
and their nobles with | links of iron,
[9] to inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed;
this is glory for all God's faithful ones. | Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

[11] In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, [12] so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. [13] In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; [14] this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

[15] I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason [16] I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, [17] that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, [18] so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, [19] and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. [20] God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, [21] far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the

age to come. [22] And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, [23] which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**.

ALLELUIA VERSE *The assembly* **STANDS** *to welcome the gospel.*

GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as recorded by the evangelist Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

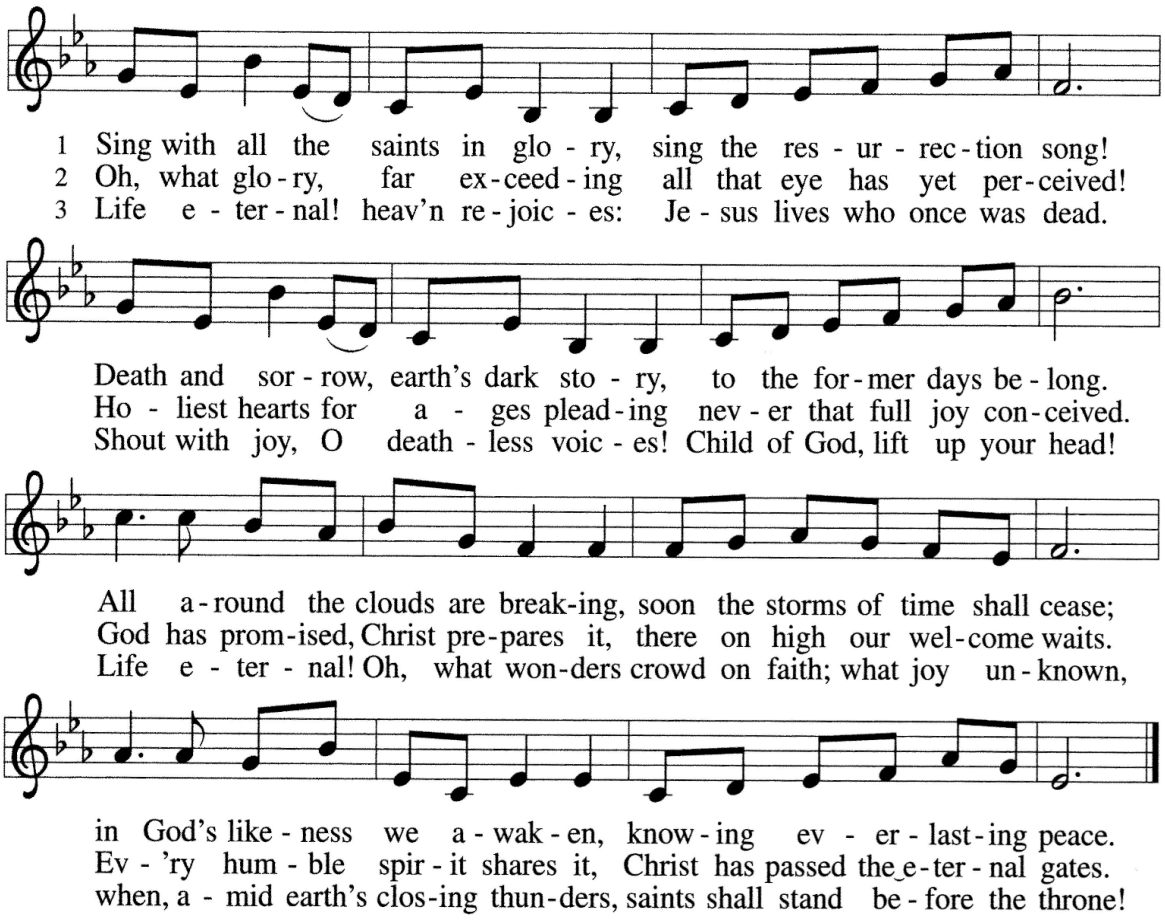
[20] Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:
"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.
[21] "Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.
"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.
[22] "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. [23] Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.
[24] "But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.
[25] "Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.
"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.
[26] "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.
[27] "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; [28] bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. [29] If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. [30] Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. [31] Do to others as you would have them do to you."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** *Please* **SIT**

SERMON *"The Treasure No Thief Can Steal"* **The Rev. Brian M. Robison**

Following the sermon, the assembly **STANDS** *to proclaim the word of God in song.*

HYMN OF THE DAY **"Sing With All the Saints in Heaven"** **ELW 426**



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, and 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,
and he will come to judge the living and 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,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

In joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we remember this day those who have gone before us in faith and who now rest from their labors, especially those family members and friends who are dear to us and who have died.

Let us pray… O God, our help in ages past and our hope for years to come: We give you thanks for all your faithful people who have followed the light of your word throughout the centuries into our time and place.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you on earth, who now rest from their labors, especially those who have passed from this life in the last year and whom we name before you now…

A single toll of a bell follows the name of each person who has passed since last All Saints Sunday.

THE SAINTS WE REMEMBER TODAY

** indicates those who have died since 11/1/2023 (listed in order by date if provided)*

Name of Deceased	Requested by
Diane Jurgens* (11/24/2024)	Jan Litherland
Eldon Wurdinger* (11/24/2024)	Wurdinger Family
Herb Halwachs* (12/9/2024)	Mike & Missy Kimbrell
Mike Koeneman* (12/9/2024)	Becky Schnitzius
Gayle McQuade* (12/21/2024)	Schaefer Family
Lillian Jones* (1/13/2025)	Lois Gentsch
Alice Cannady* (1/18/2025)	Marsha & Dave Brauer
Dave Schaaf* (2/6/2025)	St. Mark
Robert Walentine* (2/9/2025)	Cindy Collingham
Ron Robinson* (2/10/2025)	Robinson & Cardoza Families
Marian Tribout* (3/4/2025)	Tribout Family
Ginny Christopherson* (3/12/2025)	Carol Kugler
Austin Workman* (4/28/2025)	Jan Litherland
Larry Kopp* (5/18/2025)	Partelow Family
Dwight Ness* (5/19/2025)	Linda Ness
Lois Gentsch* (5/27/2025)	St. Mark
Hank Porter* (6/3/2025)	Fuchs Family
Kenneth Porter* (6/10/2025)	Fuchs Family
Christopher Wright* (6/11/2025)	Henry Evans

Col. Anthony Bamvakais* (6/26/25)	Bamvakais Family
Sandra Gansmann* (7/1/2025)	Curt Gansmann
Juhani Saari* (7/31/2025)	Theresa Parker
Richard Eisenberg* (8/3/2025)	Fields Family
Yvonne Thramer* (8/8/2025)	Summers Family
Charlotta Partelow* (8/11/2025)	Partelow Family
Rev. Mark Klawonn* (9/4/2025)	Nicole Parker
Jackie Woodrome* (9/10/2025)	St. Mark
Julia Cardoza* (10/4/2025)	Mike & Randi Cardoza
John Andersen* (10/10/2025)	Andersen Family
Dalton Vonderheide*(10/13/2025)	Geppert Family
Dorothy Knebelkamp* (10/22/2025)	Andersen Family
Wally Kleist* (10/26/2025)	St. Mark
Shirley Davis*	Schaefer Family
Shirley Mills*	Fields Family
Kevin Wallace*	Cindy Collingham
Steve Cronin*	Cindy Collingham
David Sims*	Bonnie Vize
Frank, Lucille, & Al Nork	Mary Skifton
Lenny Mueller	Mary Skifton
Marylou Kockmann	Mary Skifton
Al Boxdorfer	Mary Boxdorfer
Mary Alice Stackle	Mary Boxdorfer
Al Patrick	Sue Patrick
Kelly Costello	Sue Patrick
Richard Clark	Deb Clark
Vicki Robison	Deb Clark
George & Anita Shafer	Kathy Casey
Don Hoeferkamp	Kathy Casey
Eileen Robertson	Kathy Casey
Wil & Jean Martens	Martens/Evans Families
Darrell & Darlene Wurdinger	Schaefer, Bamvakais, & Fields Families
Barb Wurdinger	Schaefer, Bamvakais, & Fields Families
Dorothy Summers	Summers Family
Christopher Andersen	Andersen Family
Hulda & Andy Andersen	Andersen Family
Arnold & Margaret Braeutigam	Andersen Family
Randy Hinkle	Hinkle Family

Andrew Duncan	Charlie & Evelyn Duncan
Harold & Kathleen Duncan	Charlie & Evelyn Duncan
Carlo & Alma Hooker	Charlie & Evelyn Duncan
Jim Montgomery	Lucy Montgomery
Wilma Waltemate	Lucy Montgomery
Doris & Otto Grab	Benedick & Fuchs Families
Floyd & Elva Benedick	Benedick & Fuchs Families
Cindy Benedick Schuepbach	Benedick & Fuchs Families
Jacob Benedick	Benedick & Fuchs Families
Roland Jacquot	Janet Jacquot
Don & Carmen Kniepkamp	Kniepkamp Family
Edna Batten	Cheri Batten
Richard & Maxene Batten	Cheri Batten
Kenneth & Gladys Lindsey	Cheri Batten
June Hand	Cheri Batten
Gerlin & Doris Robison	Pastor Brian & Family
Casimir & Dolly Orzel	Pastor Brian & Family
Larry Hill	Mary Hill & Robison family
Rosa Steele	Mary Hill & Melanie Robison
Gertrude Hill-Harris	Mary Hill & Melanie Robison
Jack, Ed, & Jay Steele	Mary Hill & Melanie Robison
Glenn Robinson	Robinson & Cardoza Families
Marion & Oscar Loeschner	Robinson & Cardoza Families
Marie & James Luffman	Anita Robinson & Randi Cardoza
Nora Cardoza	Randi & Mike Cardoza; Anita Robinson
Miguel Cardoza, Sr.	Mike & Randi Cardoza
Andre Davis & Dre'Vaughn Davis	Mike & Randi Cardoza
Roberto Cardoza	Mike & Randi Cardoza
Ben & Doris Shannon	Kohlmeier Family
Walter & Elsie Kohlmeier	Kohlmeier Family
Carole & Guy Fussner	Kohlmeier Family

As we remember these people and all those close to our hearts, strengthen us to follow Christ through this world until we are carried into the harvest of eternal life, where suffering and death will be no more. Hear our prayer in the name of the good and gracious shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The names of those for whom we pray aloud are listed below. Please read only the first names. Other prayer intentions can be found in the back of this bulletin.

*The response to "*Hear Us, O God,*" is* **"Your mercy is great"…**

Ken Augustine, **Eleanor** Benton, **Toni** Brendel, **Gary** Dozier, **Evelyn** Duncan, **Art** Engelage, **Ivan** Kohlmeier, **Bruce** Martens, **Kim** Palmer, **Tina** Partelow, **Marilyn** Robinson, **Cohen** Summers, **Carol** Weshinskey**, Gary** Weshinskey

PEACE *The assembly is invited to share a greeting of God's peace with one another. Following* ***the Peace****, you may be* ***seated*** *for a few moments*

OFFERING *Should you wish to leave an offering today, it may be placed in the wooden box on the table near the baptismal font at any point during or after the service.*

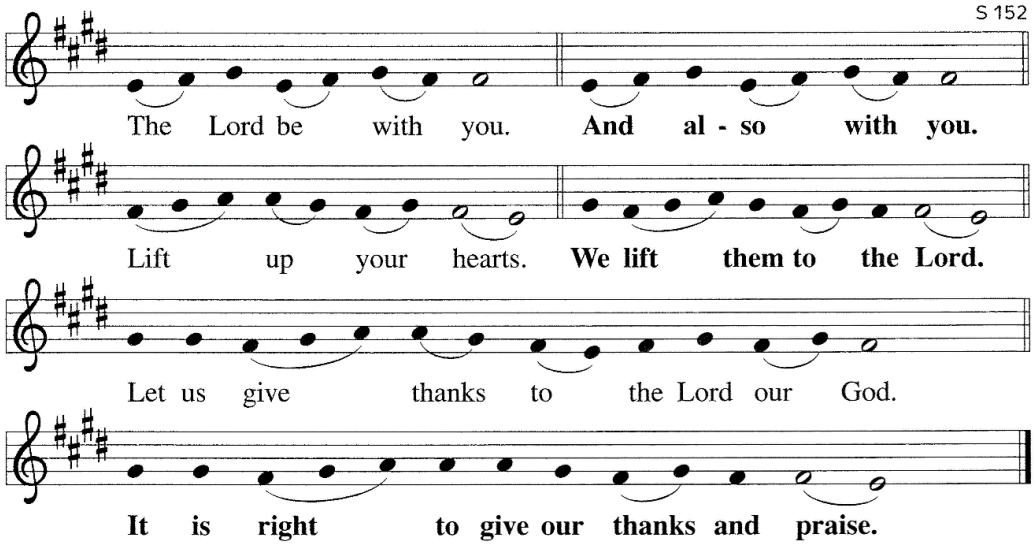
ST. MARK CHANCEL CHOIR *"On Eagle's Wings"*

OFFERING PRAYER

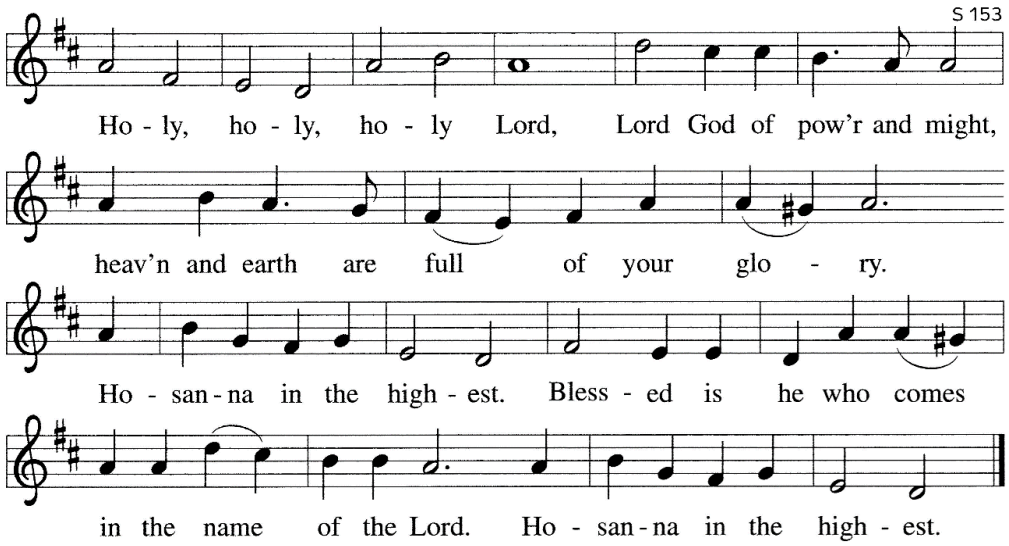
Assistant: Let us pray together…

God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry,
promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right…we praise your name, and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

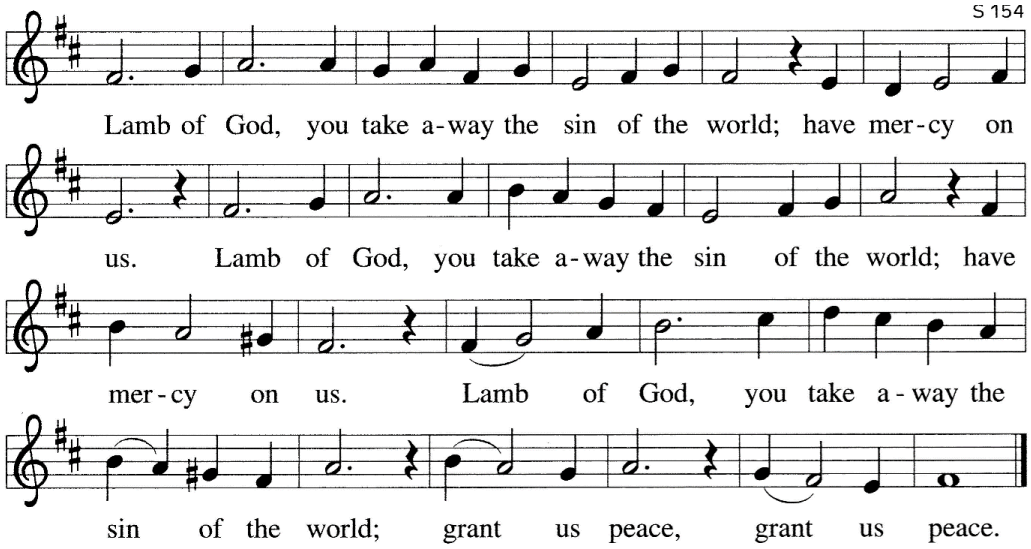
THE LORD'S PRAYER *Traditional*

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

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

LAMB OF GOD *Please* SIT



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

***Communion is open to everyone**. In this sacrament, **we believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine**. At this service, communion will be served from around the altar rail. At the usher's direction, please come forward and kneel at the altar rail.*

- ✠ *After receiving the bread, you may take an individual cup or drink from the chalice.*
- ✠ *You may return to your seat after communing.*
- ✠ *Those who do not wish to commune may come forward for a blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate this preference.*
- ✠ *Reception of the Eucharist under one kind (bread or wine) is valid communion for those who must avoid either for health reasons.*
- ✠ *If you are unable to go to the altar for communion, please notify an usher or the pastor, so that communion may be brought to you in your pew.*

HYMN DURING THE DISTRIBUTION:

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name" **ELW 414**

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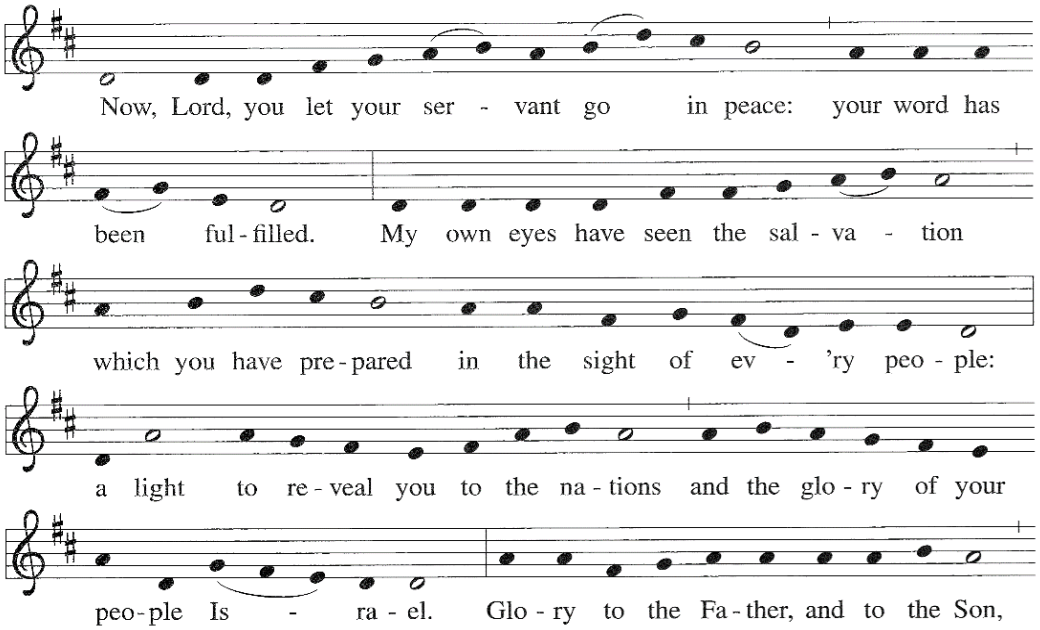
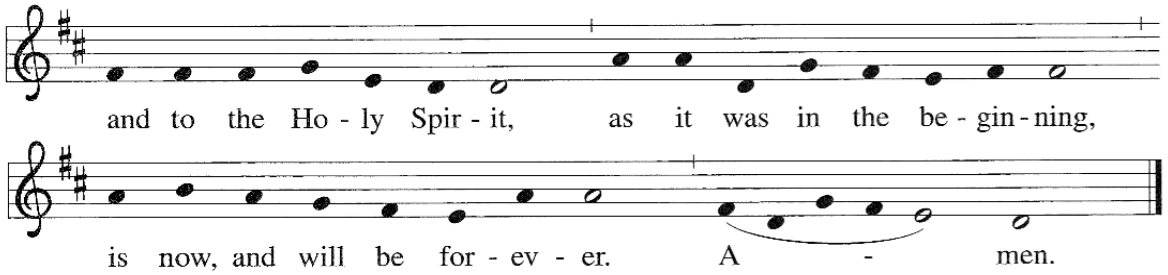
“Shall We Gather at the River” **ELW 423**

TABLE BLESSING *After the distribution is complete, please* **STAND** *as you are able.*

The Body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

CANTICLE AFTER COMMUNION “Now Lord” **ELW 201**





PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

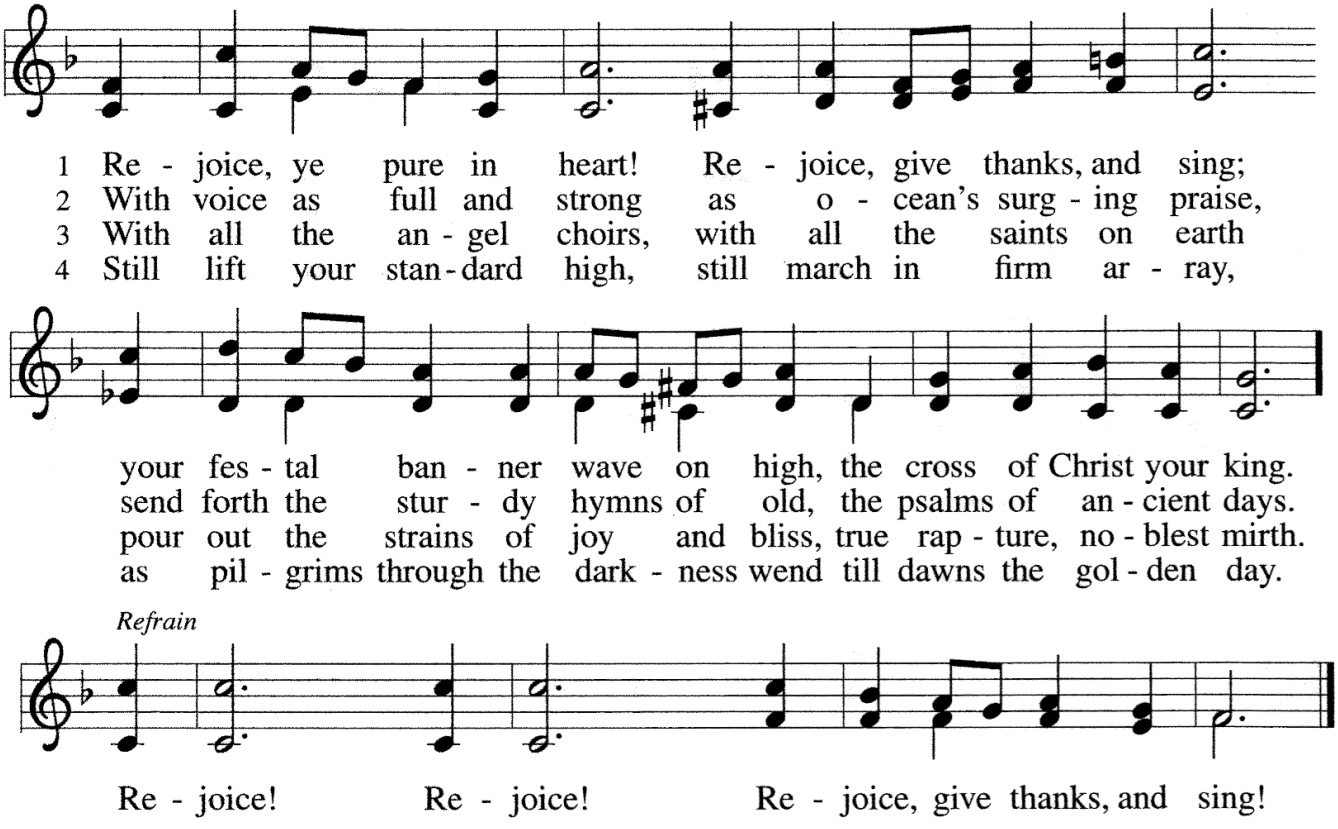
Assistant: Let us pray together… **God of field and flower, wheat and grape,**
you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.
Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son,
send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst,
and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

BLESSING

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.

The Holy Trinity bless you ☩ and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN **"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"** **ELW 873**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *"Grazioso"* *G. P. Telemann*

MINISTERS OF TODAY'S LITURGY

Presider & Preacher: The Rev. Brian M. Robison + **Assisting Minister:** Danielle Tribout
Lector: Charlie Duncan + **Crucifer:** Rex Rothgangel
Tech Minister & Chalice Bearer: Mike Murakami + **Organist**: Evelyn Duncan
Safety Volunteer: Jan Richards + **Ushers:** Curt Gansmann & Jason Martens

I believe in one holy Christian church. **We are all saints**, and cursed be the one who does not boast and call himself a saint. If you believe the word of Christ, then you are just as much a saint as St. Peter and every other saint! Here's why: Christ certainly won't lie to you. If you don't say, "I have as much as St. Peter, and I'm just as holy as St. Peter," then you're ungrateful to your Lord Christ. . . . Such boasting is not arrogance, but humility and thankfulness. And whoever doesn't boast blasphemes Christ and baptism. For baptism is a work of God. And it's holy. Christ is holy too; his body and his blood are also holy. How could I imagine— if he gives and grants this to me—that I too should not be holy? That'd be like saying: "Christ is not holy." We are totally overwhelmed with holiness and with such a holiness. Heaven and earth are too small to grasp it, and nevertheless they doubt right away whether we too are holy . . . Friends, it's not a joke, but a very dangerous thing to talk about the communion of saints. We honor Christ, not ourselves, when we boast about this holiness: because we are knit into his holiness and suffering, we too become holy.

Is it not true if a rich man who had been bequeathed a thousand *gulden* nevertheless wanted to say that he is poor and has nothing, that he is a fool? The same is true here. That I acknowledge myself to be a sinner, I do well, as far as it concerns my own person. But because I am no longer Adam's child, but God's child, so then I am truly holy! And so we must distinguish carefully: as far as I am a human and Adam's child, I belong in hell—even if I were a Carthusian, still there I would humbly belong. But that's not what those who strut around with their works do. They turn the whole thing upside down and pride themselves on their works. But if you believe that you have been baptized into such a brotherhood and sonship, then say: "Now I am no longer Adam's child, no longer a sinner, so long as I am in this brotherhood." If you can brag about it, then do it. I'm still learning this, for it's very difficult for a sinner to say: "I have a seat in heaven next to St. Peter." And yet we must praise and boast about this holiness—that alone is the golden brotherhood.

- **Martin Luther**, *Sermon on the Thursday after Easter* (April 21, 1530)

Prayer Intentions

St. Mark Members

Ken Augustine, Eleanor Benton, Toni Brendel, Gary Dozier, Evelyn Duncan, Art Engelage, Ivan Kohlmeier, Bruce Martens, Kim Palmer, Tina Partelow, Marilyn Robinson, Cohen Summers, Carol and Gary Weshinskey

St. Mark Family and Friends

Dennis Althardt, Stellamarie Bearth, Bonnie Baete, John Belz, Thomas Boxdorfer, Jim Braeutigam, Patty Brennecke, Susan Carson, Christine, Arianna Curnes, Catherine Davis, Mike Ellison, Richard Fahrner, Katrina Fenner, Andrea Hendrix, Josh Gansmann, Marge Gardner, Christine Gass, Viv Gillespie, Joni Giordano, David Graber, Stephanie Groennert, TC Groennert, Andrea Hendrix, Jamie House, Jimmy Jurgens, Austin Lickenbrock, Dusty Little, Donna Loesche, Becky Loeschner, Wyatt Madison, Christopher Martiszus, Bobby & Joyce McCall, Don McCoy, Allen Martens, Janet Middendorf, Linda Munn, Pr. Ron & Debbie Neustadt, Dean Norrenberns, Hilda Parnell, Tim & Missy Partelow, Debbie & Larry Powers, Goldie Rideout, Darrell Robinson, Sarah and Family, Jill Schlueter, Stefanie Schroeder, Denise Sebastian, David & Donna Sims, Margie Snep, Ingrid Thompson, Bob Vaughn, David Vaught, Toni Walston, Louise Wilson, Margie Wilson, Karen Woolf, Wilma Woolf, Jeanie Workman, Ken Zika, Chloe Zipperer

Members and Friends Serving in Our Nation's Military

Taiylar Foppe Merrel, Josh Merrel, Ryan McKenzie

Members who celebrate birthdays this week

Haley & Olivia Buehlhorn (11/2), Debra Monfre (11/5), Jeni Dressel (11/6), and Katelyn Kilzer (11/6)

For Those Who Grieve the Loss of Loved Ones

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