All Saints' Celebration

November 1/2, 2025 5:00 PM, 8:00/10:30 AM

Welcome To Our Guests

Thank you for joining us in worshiping the Savior at Zion this day. We pray that your time here serves to build your faith and equip you for the week ahead. Please come again.

If you desire to find out more about becoming part of the Zion family, please contact Vickie Adams, <u>vadams@zionharvester.org</u>, in the church office. Our family loves to grow and we'd love to have you join us!

Welcome Center

The Welcome Center is a place for the Zion family and its guests to gather for fellowship with each other and where information about Zion is readily accessible. Every weekend opportunities to connect are highlighted and publications and ministry brochures are made available. Please visit the Welcome Center before or after worship to greet one another and to stay connected to God's mission through Zion.

Children's Messages

Since children become members of the Christian Church through baptism, we desire to nurture their faith by engaging them in God's story of faith and in our corporate worship of Jesus. Resources to "build a worship bag" can be found just outside the Sanctuary doors. Please find items that will help engage your child in worship and return these after the service.

Children's Messages are designed for children between the ages of two through elementary school; however, all children are welcome. A team of members and staff who are gifted for this ministry invite you to accompany and assist your young child and join the children in the chancel.

Nursery and Cry Room

During all Worship Services, a Cry Room is available in the back of church for you to calm your child or change a diaper. During the Education Hour on Sundays, childcare for infants and toddlers is offered in the Nursery located on the lower level opposite the Fellowship Hall.

Worship Decorum

Please silence your cell phones during Worship Services.



All Saints' Day

Remembering the saints All Saints' Day, like the Christian funeral, is given to confess the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. It is a day of comfort for those who "feebly struggle" here while their loved ones "in glory shine" (LSB 677:4). We miss those who have fallen asleep in the Lord, but we know that, though they have died, yet they live, and they are with Jesus: "Now safely home in endless day" (LSB 676:3). They are in heaven.

But that isn't the whole story. Jesus will raise their bodies from the grave on the Last Day. Body and soul will be reunited to live with God in ceaseless joy in a new heavens and a new earth. On All Saints' Day, the Scriptures, the liturgy, the hymns and the preaching all hit on this theme. It is the yearly feast commemorating all who have died in Christ and now rest from their labors. It reminds us that the risen Lord, Jesus Christ, will raise them from the dead.

He will raise you as well. That is the other theme of All Saints' Day. Unless the Lord returns first, you will physically die. This is the common experience of all children of Adam. The wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23). All sinners must die. But the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ. This gift is for you, just as it is for your loved ones who have gone before. Jesus died for you to take your sins away. He died your death. Now death cannot have you. You belong to Jesus, who is risen from the dead. In Baptism, He gives you His life. All Saints' Day is a little preview of your funeral. Your body will rise!

This excerpt is from an article by Rev. Jonathan Krenz in the June/July 2017 issue of The Lutheran Witness.

Prelude

We Praise You and Acknowledge You: Intrada – arr. Jeffrey Blersch

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Stand

Sharing of the Peace

Celebration of the Church Triumphant

The rite of commemoration is observed at the baptismal font. The Paschal candle, burning by the baptismal display, symbolizes the light of Christ, who unites the faithful of every time and every place.



Text: William W. How, 1823–97, alt. Tune: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958



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Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

- I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.
- **(Blessed indeed,' says the Spirit, 'that they rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them.'"** (Revelation 14:13)
- On this day we remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for they were created by God to offer Him praise and thanksgiving forever, and He gave them new life through His Son in Holy Baptism, and nourished them in the company of His people at His holy table, and in His mercy has summoned them to His nearer presence so that they may continue in joyful service of Him forever.

† Betty Arnold November 16, 2024 † Norma Freese December 15, 2024 † Janet Brown December 18, 2024 † Erich Mueller January 2, 2025 † Ruth Winter January 7, 2025 January 27, 2025 † Wilma Borgmann † Carroll Purdy January 30, 2025 † Grace Lange February 2, 2025 † Norm Kern February 4, 2025 † Hank Koeneman February 4, 2025 † Gene Deidrick February 27, 2025 March 11, 2025 † Wanda Banze † Audrey Painter May 3, 2025 † Delores Mueller May 23, 2025 † LaVerne Martin June 2, 2025 June 18, 2025 † Ruth Schuerman † Ginger Raithel June 28, 2025 † Gloria Essig July 19, 2025 † Curtis Tegethoff July 24, 2025 † Terry Oswald July 26, 2025 † Barb Prince August 4, 2025 † Richard Schneider October 2, 2025 † Ned Loetz October 24, 2025

In joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we remember before You, O Lord, all our departed family and friends who have gone before us in faith. We offer thanksgiving for the gift of faith and hold fast to the certainty of Your promises.

In silence we remember family and friends who have died in faith.

(I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die." (John 11:25-26)

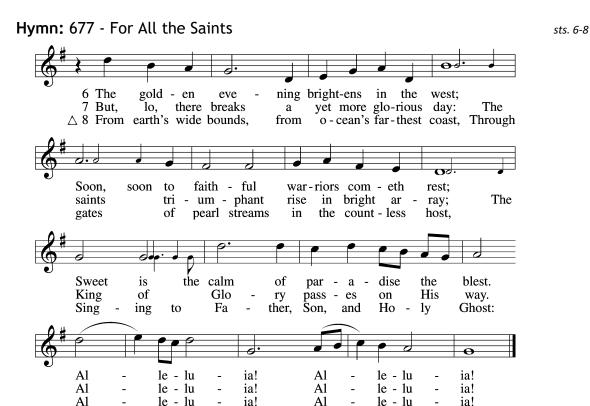


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Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P Gracious Father in Jesus Christ, we remember with thanksgiving before You all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore, and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number whose hope was the Word made flesh, and with whom in the Lord Jesus we are one forevermore. Lord, remember Your Church throughout the world; make all its members grow in love for You and for one another.
- As You have received our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life, bring us at last with them into the light of Your presence, that in union with all Your saints, we may laud and magnify Your name forever, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Stand



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Readings

New Testament Revelation 7:9–17

A Great Multitude from Every Nation

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "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, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
16They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.
17For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.



- **C** Refrain
- A I am the Way, the Truth, the Life; those who believe in me will never die, but live again!
- **C** Refrain
- A I will not leave you orphans; I will return to you and you will live forever!
- **C** Refrain
- A Peace I leave; my peace I give. Do not be troubled; do not be afraid, I calm your fear. I am near!
- **C** Refrain

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Epistle 1 John 3:1–3

Children of God

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

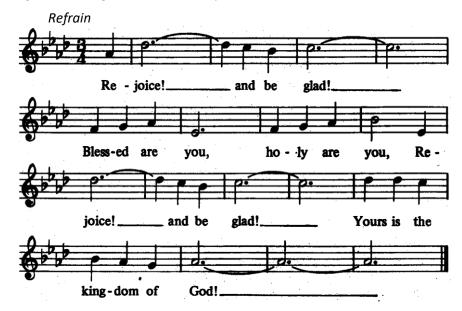
Reading Response

Hebrews 1:1-2a

- A In many and various ways, God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.
- But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.

Children can come forward for the Children's Message during the <u>last verse</u> of the next hymn, "Gospel in Sona: Blest Are Thev."





- A Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall be consoled.
- Refrain
- A Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth. Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
- **C** Refrain
- A Blest are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of heart, they shall see God!
- **C** Refrain
- A Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith, the glory of God is theirs.
- **C** Refrain
- A Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.

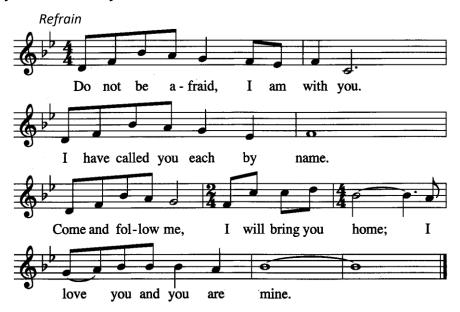
 Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.
- **C** Refrain (sung twice)

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Children's Message

Children may come forward as soon as the leader appears in the chancel. If you have a young child that needs assistance, please accompany your child and join the children in the chancel.

Hymn of the Day: You Are Mine



- A I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.
 You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here.
- **C** Refrain
- A I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see. In the shadows of the night I will be your light. Come and rest in me.
- **C** Refrain
- All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and all will know my name.
- Refrain
- A I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give. I will call your name, embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk, and live!
- Refrain

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Sermon

Offering

We Praise You and Acknowledge You: Reflection - arr. Jeffrey Blersch

Members and guests, please use this time to fill out an Attendance Card, located in the pew racks. At the end of the offering, the ushers will collect all Attendance Cards.

Confirmation [10:30]

Megan Connell Matthew 5:16 Luke Connell 2 Corinthians 6:2 Nick Lodes Psalm 51:10 Michael Fredrich Ephesians 2:8-9 Ethan Fredrich Psalm 106:1 Michael Harris 1 John 4:19 **Lorraine Harris** Proverbs 3:5-6 **Kingston Harris** Philippians 4:13 Tim Hinton Psalm 46:1 Susan Hinton Psalm 119:105 Adam Hinton Ephesians 4:32 Brian Milbach Deuteronomy 31:6 Erica Milbach 1 Thessalonians 5:21 Taryn Pulliam Psalm 40:1-2, NIV Reagan Rushing 1 Peter 3:15

Jonathan Smith
John 3:16

Jay Weber
Emily Weber
Galatians 2:20

Baptism [10:30]

Mila Connell

Colton Lodes, Eliana Lodes

Evelyn Fredrich

Kingston Harris, Emilia Harris Penelope Smith, Raiden Smith Harper Weber, Vivian Weber

Celebration of the Church Militant

The Paschal Blessing is observed at the baptismal font in preparation for the Te Deum, the song of the saints of every generation that gives praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Stand

Paschal Blessing

- P All of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ.
- C Alleluia!
- On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb.
- They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.
- While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them.
- In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them,
- "Why do you look for the living among the dead? Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee:
- 'The Son of Man must be delivered in the hands of sinful men, be crucified, and on the third day be raised again!"



Te Deum: 941 - We Praise You and Acknowledge You



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Prayer

Prayer of the Day

- 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.
- C Amen.

Prayer of the Church

After each petition, the following is said:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9–13

- Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- 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.

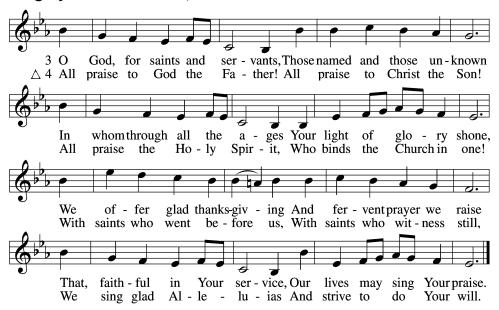
Benedicamus Psalm 103:1

- **L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the

 → Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- Amen.



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Postlude

We Praise You and Acknowledge You: Finale - arr. Jeffrey Blersch

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The Participants

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Liturgist: 5:00 Seminarian Brian Fish

8:00/10:30 Rev. Mark Rouland

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Organist: Mark Thoelke

Instruments: Liturgical Ensemble

Soloist: 5:00 Bethany Coad

Choirs: 8:00 Adult Choir

10:30 Treble Choir

Readers: 5:00 Carol Martin

8:00 Steve Grimes 10:30 Lin Gillam

Acolytes: 5:00 Jordan Schmidt, Max Ragar

8:00 Gus Phipps, Micah Gierstorf

10:30 Hannah Braswell, Ryan Arens

Elder: 5:00 John Priesmeyer

8:00 Dan Kuntz

10:30 Chris Bates

Ushers: 5:00 Ray Barker Team

8:00 Jim Koeneman Team

10:30 Tim Edinger Team