WELCOME

Welcome to Saint James, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and the Southeast Michigan Synod. Thank you for being part of this gathered assembly as we worship the Risen Lord and receive the sacrament. If this is your first time worshipping with Saint James, we extend a special greeting to you and invite you to introduce yourself to your neighbor in the pew. If you have questions about Saint James or are looking for a spiritual home, please reach out to Pastor Grant (pastor@stjamesgp.org).

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

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.

WORSHIP & HOLY EUCHARIST

All of the materials needed for this liturgy can be found in this bulletin and in the red Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) book found in the pew rack. The celebration of the sacrament, Holy Eucharist (also called the Lord's Supper and Holy Communion), is central to our worship. As host of the meal, Jesus extends a wide welcome for all to participate. Come forward by the central aisle. Receive the host, then either *dip it* in the cup (wine) or take a small glass with wine (purple) or juice (golden). If you would prefer to commune in the pew, please alert an usher prior to the start of worship.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *For All the Saints* Michael Burkhardt

STAND

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **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.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING

ENTRANCE HYMN ***For All the Saints*** **ELW 652 vs 1-4**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

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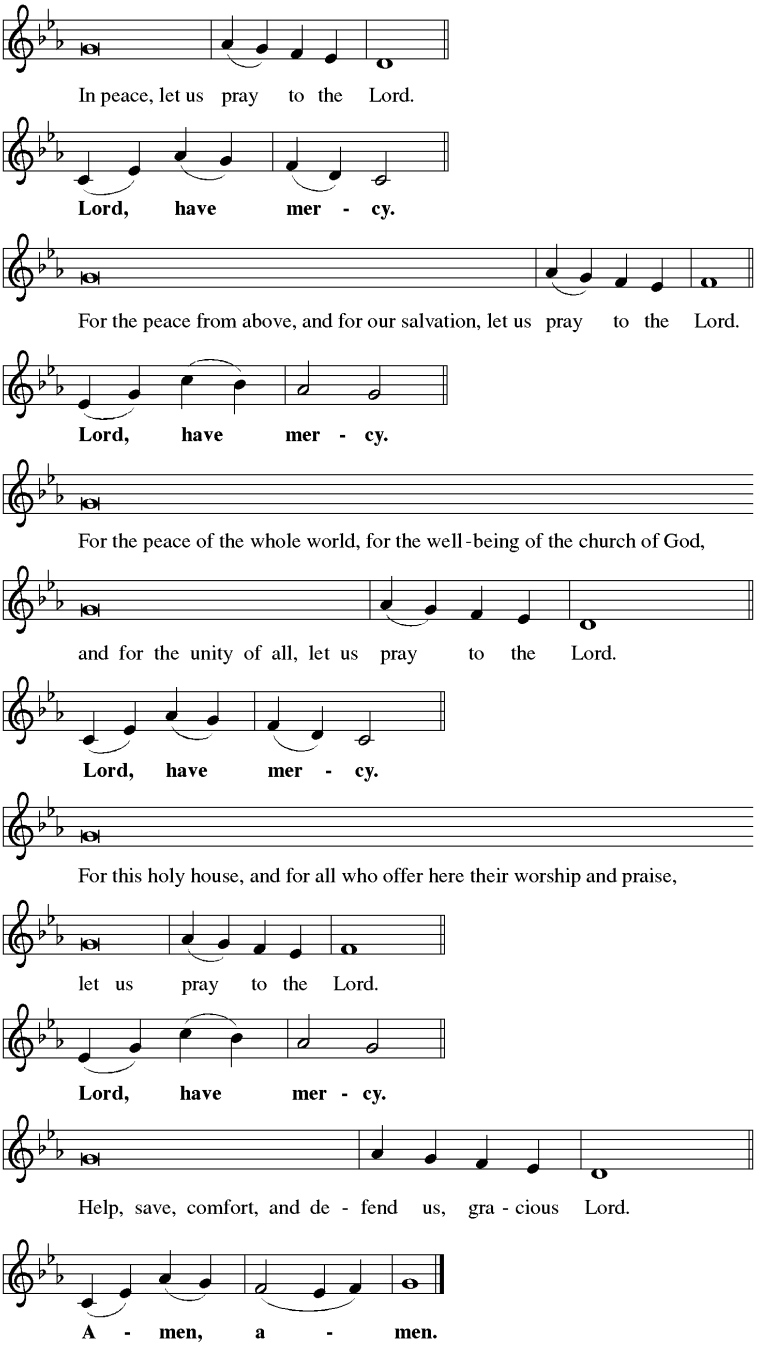
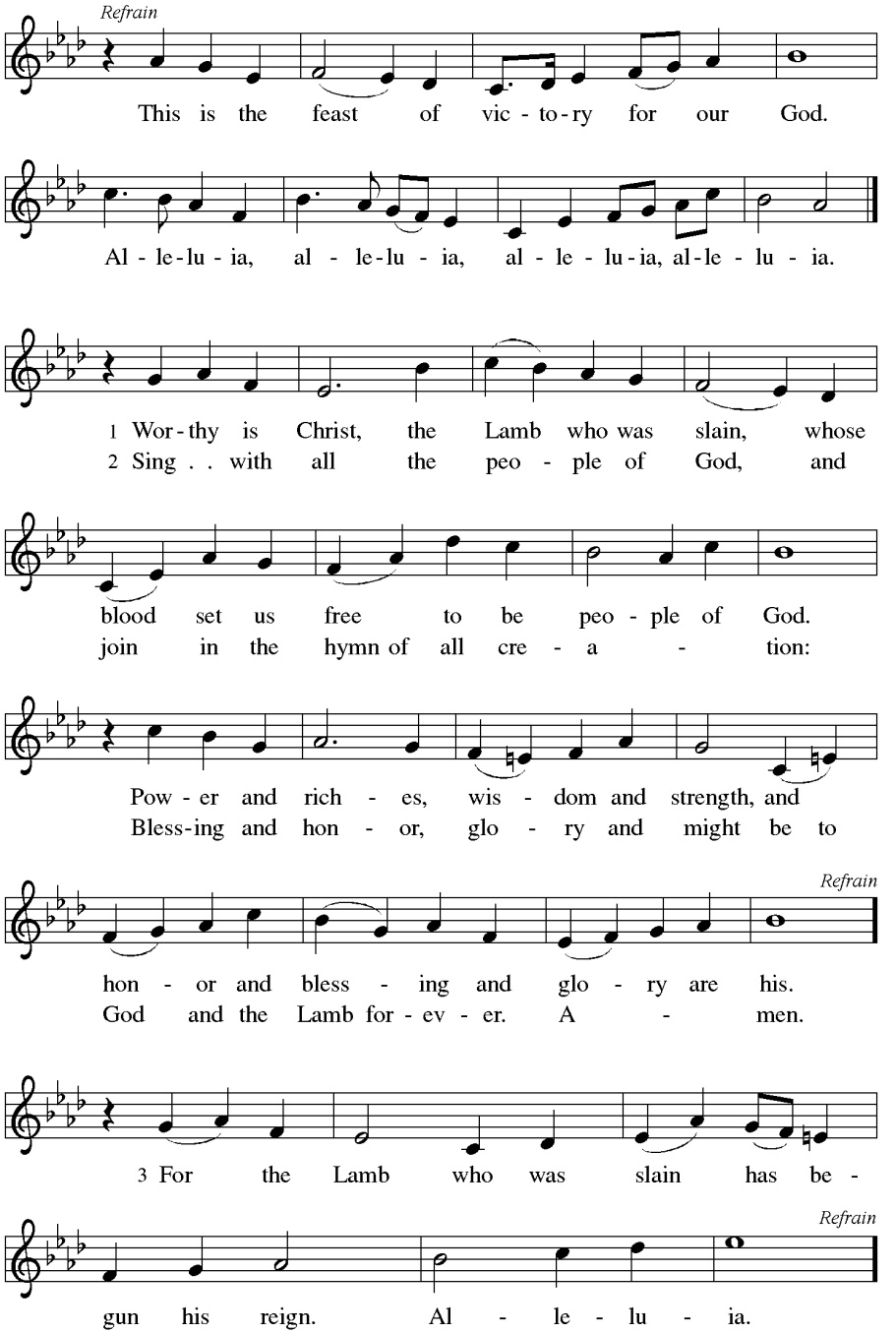

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.
A - men, a - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



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

SIT

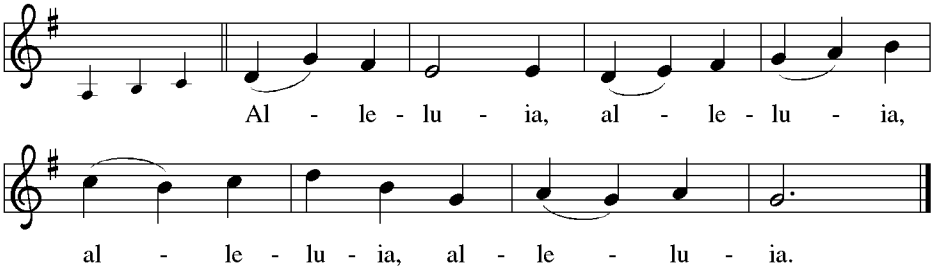
FIRST LESSON *see page 14 of this bulletin*

PSALM *see page 15 of this bulletin*

SECOND LESSON *see page 16 of this bulletin*

STAND

ALLELUIA

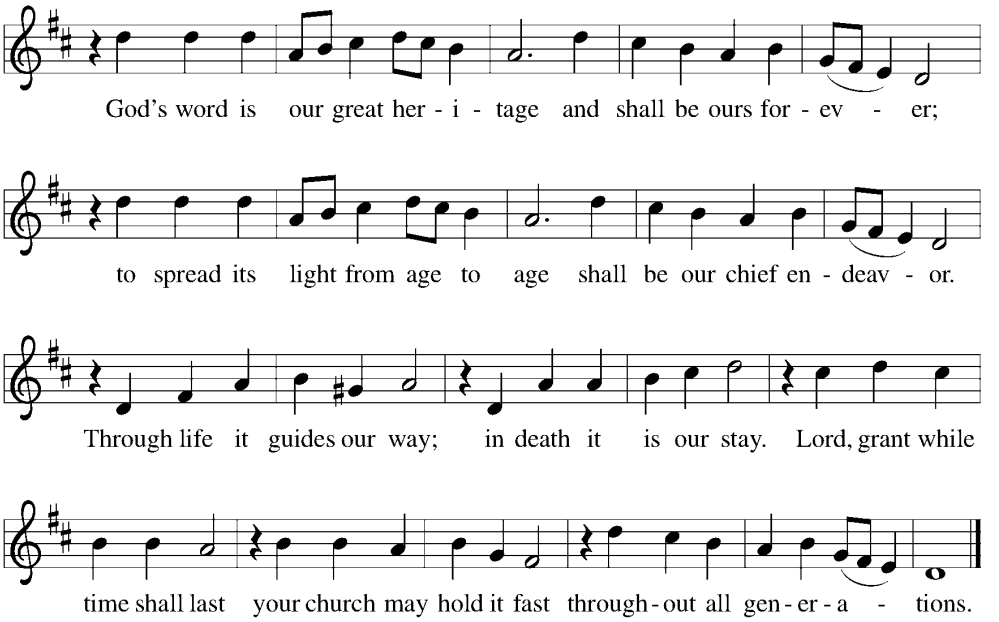


VERSE: *They are before the throne of God, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.* (Rev. 7:15)

REPEAT ALLELUIA

GOSPEL *see page 17 of this bulletin*

ACCLAMATION ***God's Word is our Great Heritage*** **ELW 509**



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Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483–1546

SIT

HOMILY

STAND

HYMN OF THE DAY ***For All Your Saints, O Lord*** **ELW 427**

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

SIT

due to the length of today's intercessions, please be seated for the intercessions

INTERCESSIONS & REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

after each petition

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

STAND

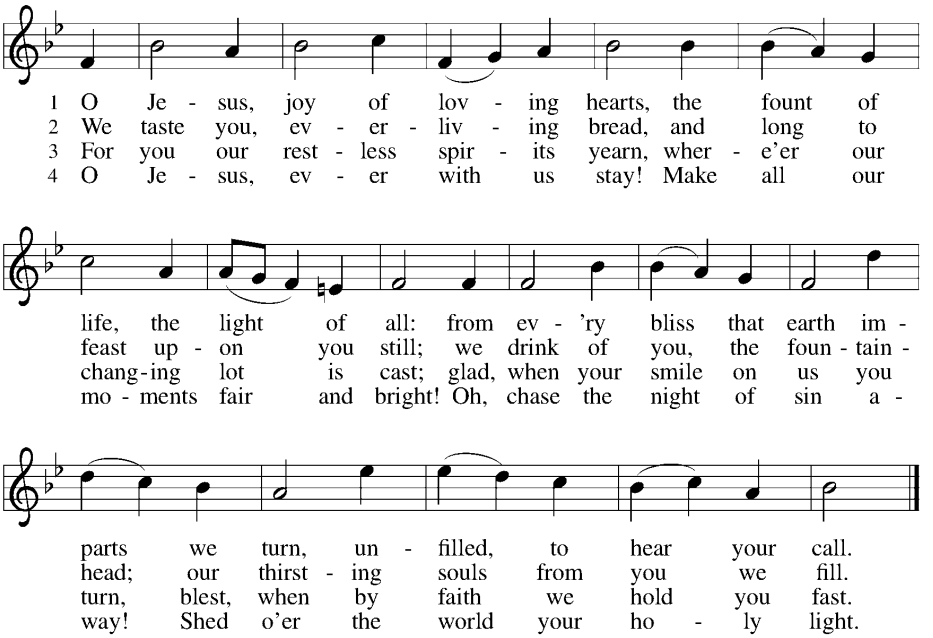
PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

REMAIN STANDING

TABLE SETTING ***O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts*** **ELW 658 verses 1& 2**



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Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

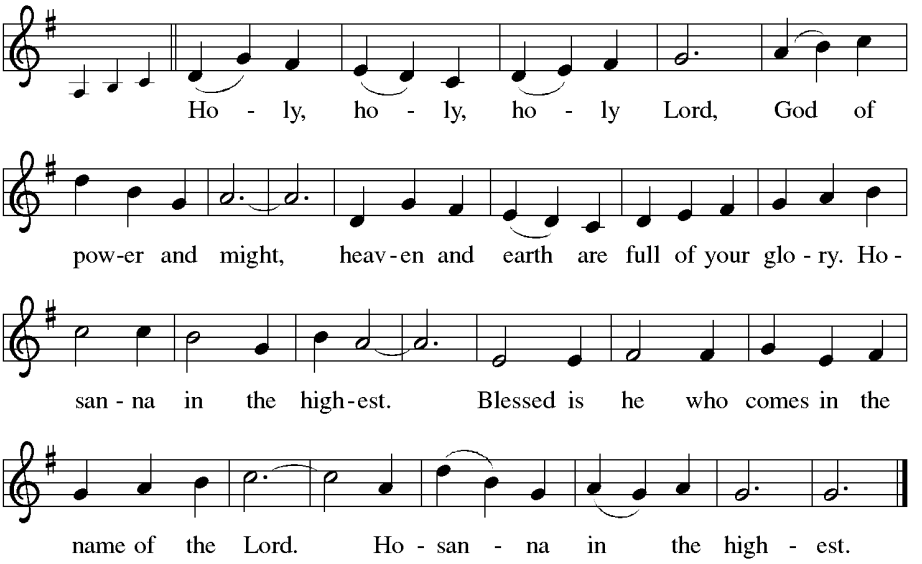
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
By the witness of your saints
you show us the hope of our calling
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,
that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.
And so, with all the saints, especially those most dear to us,
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

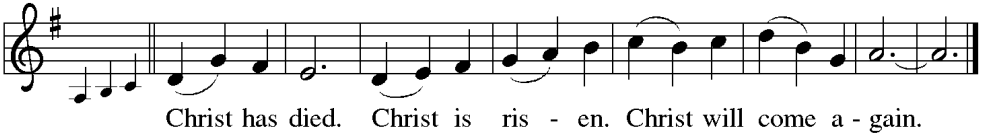
O God of the covenant, O God of the church, we hear you speaking to centuries of your people. We come as your children to this table, and we give thanks for your presence among us as you are present to all the saints.

You gave us Mary and Magdalene, Peter and Paul,
Luther and Melanchthon, Bonhoeffer the martyr and Walt Wangren the author.
Katharina Luther the homemaker, Cranach the artist,
Bach the musician, Nicolai the hymnwriter,
Kierkegaard the philosopher, Hammarskjöld the statesman,
and all the saints who have carried the faith
and who have left the mark of their gifts on your Church.

You came as Jesus, our wisdom, our guide,
embodying forgiveness, granting us grace, setting us free,
dying for sin, and alive for the life of the world.

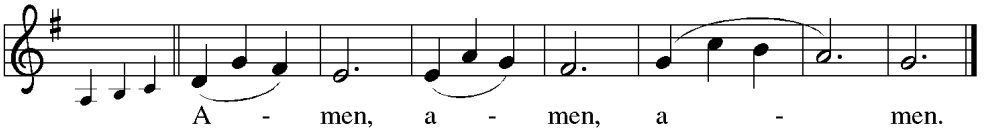
The Words of Institution are spoken

Remembering his death, celebrating his resurrection, and
trusting his presence in every time and place, we proclaim the mystery of faith.



Come, Holy Spirit, and pour out your love upon us and upon this food
that it may become for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Empower us to serve, preserve what is faithful, reform what we treasure
create in us what it vital and new.

We praise you, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever.



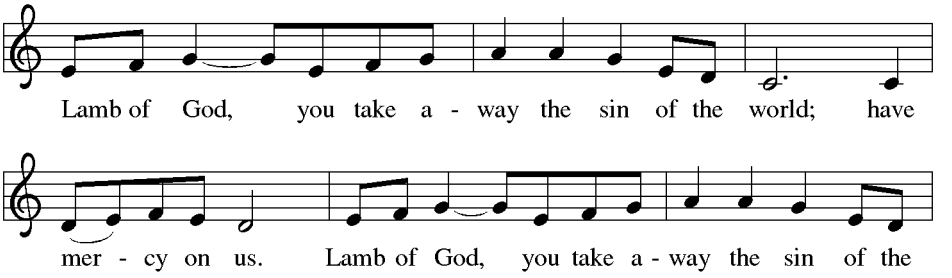
LORD'S PRAYER

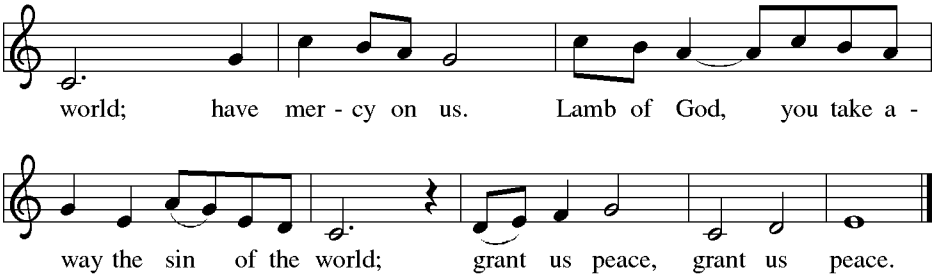
Our Father, who art in heaven….

BREAKING OF BREAD

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.
Let us rejoice in this holy meal.

LAMB OF GOD





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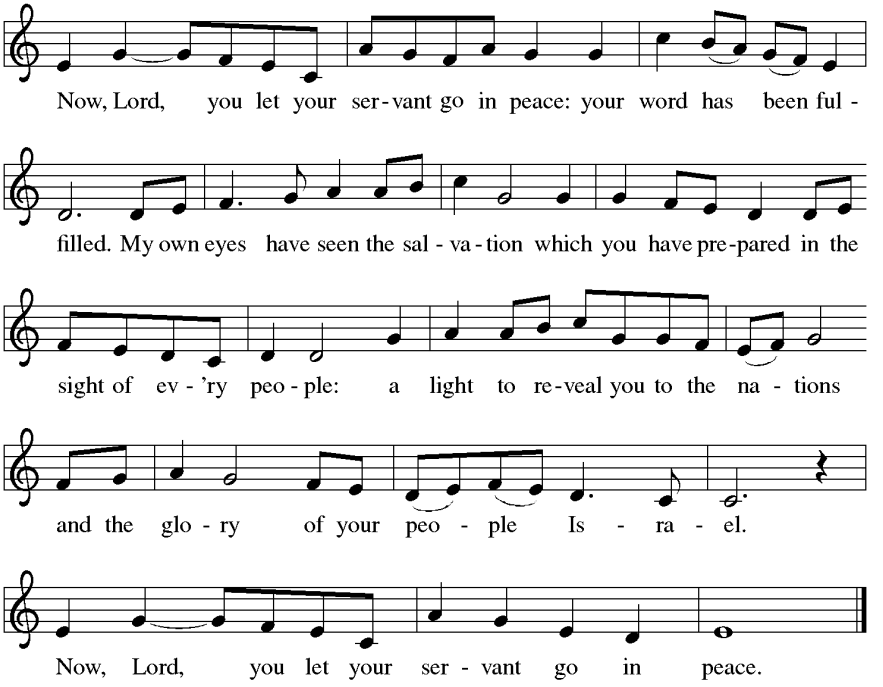
DISTRIBUTION

HYMN ***Shall We Gather at the River*** **ELW 423**

STAND

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



SENDING

SENDING PRAYER

O Lord, our God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

HYMN ***For All the Saints*** **ELW422 verses 5-7**

DISMISSAL

Let by the saints who have gone before us in faith,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SIT

POSTLUDE *For All the Saints* Flor Peeters

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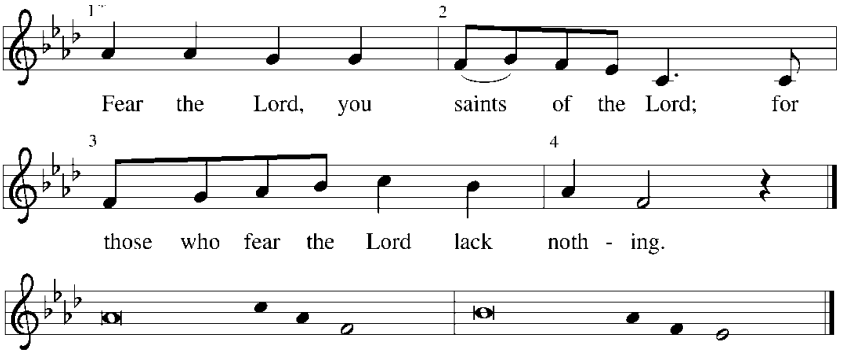
FIRST READING Revelation 7:9-17

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.

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."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:1-10, 22



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. ***Refrain***
[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. ***Refrain***

[7]The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD
and de- | livers them.
[8]**Taste and see that the | LORD is good;**
happy are they who take ref- | uge 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. ***Refrain***

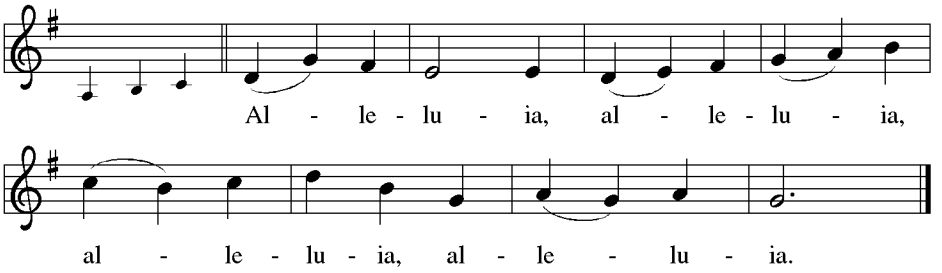
SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-3

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] 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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA



VERSE: *They are before the throne of God, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.* (Rev. 7:15)

REPEAT ALLELUIA

HOLY GOSPEL **Matthew 5:1-12**

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.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

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."

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

RETURN ACCLAMATION *return to page 6 of this bulletin*

All Saints 2026

On this day we give thanks for those who have died in the faith of the church, and whose example continues to inspire us today

Russ Halleen
Janet Halleen
Lee Horst
Leora Horst
Andy Glassberg
Robert Martin
Betsy Martin
Peter Gusheé
Richard Moellering
Paul Ferguson
Timothy Kopka
Karin Marie Kopka
Matthew Krent
Chris Keros
Carol O'Donnell
Walter Wood
Raymond Federov
Eleanor Barker
Chris West
Donald Brandt
Gerry Partridge
Fran Partridge
Earl Black
Cora Black

Marguerite Wilson
Walter Wilson
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Paul J. Connolly
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J. Robert Prince
Margaret Hill
Herold Heidel
Eunice Heidel
Ron Meyer
Irene Hamilton
Lawrence Hamilton
Walter Heidel
Elsie Heidel
Doris Herberholz
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Gloria Stieber
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Betty Kornieck
Barb Hoehn
Tom Begini
Joe Schaugg
David Toelle
Lillian Toelle
Elwart Toelle
Phillip Trapp
Dorothy Trapp
Philip John Trapp
William Salot
Paul Schmidt
Dale Ellana
Ted Miller
Ted S.

In my flesh I shall see God

Worship Leaders for November 1
Assisting Minister: Sue Stieber
Crucifer: Andrew Picek
Communion Assistant: Gini Bunchek
Lector: Perry Knight
Altar Guild: Marcia & Mark Wilson
Livestream: Lena Picek
Ushers: Dick & Susan Allison

Worship Leaders for November 8
Assisting Minister: Mary Moellering
Crucifer: Rich Moellering
Communion Assistant: Sammie Bessner
Lector: Nancy Kopka
Altar Guild: Karol Evard & Gini Bunchek
Livestream: Sue Martin
Ushers: Marcia & Mark Wilson

Offering Plates
Saint James places offering plates at each entrance to the sanctuary. For more information about offerings, including electronic giving, see the bulletin. Thank you for your faithfulness in stewardship. Every contribution helps to support Saint James' mission and the proclamation of the gospel in the world.
Find us on Zelle using: giving@stjamesgp.org

Remember in Prayer –Tom Kressbach - All deployed military and their families.

Contact Emily Moellering or Pastor to add a name to the Prayer List or to ask the Prayer Team to pray for a specific need.

Got News? Please send items. for inclusion in the Saturday email newsletter to Alicia Taub no later than Thursday at noon of that week. All items for the Sunday bulletin must be sent to Emily Richardson at office@stjamesgp.org no later than Tuesday.

Coffee Hour Please join us each Sunday after service for Coffee Hour in the Welcome Area (beyond the municipal parking lot doors near the nursery.) Grab a cup of coffee or juice and a goodie and enjoy some Christian fellowship.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, November 1
All Saints Day
Daylight Savings Time Ends
11am: Holy Eucharist
Fellowship immediately following worship

Monday, November 2
Office Closed on Mondays

Tuesday, November 3
8am: Men's Club Chorus (Undercroft)
9am-12pm: Office Hours

Wednesday, November 4
Pastor's Office Day
6am: Morning Walk (Meet on McMillan)
9am-1pm: Office Hours
4pm: Handbells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
4:40pm: Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Thursday, November 5
9am-12pm: Office Hours

Friday, November 6
Pastor's Day Off | Office Closed on Fridays

Sunday, November 8
Pentecost 24
11am: Holy Eucharist
Fellowship immediately following worship

Monday, November 9
Office Closed on Mondays

Tuesday, November 10
8am: Men's Club Chorus (Undercroft)
9am-12pm: Office Hours

Wednesday, November 11
Pastor's Office Day
6am: Morning Walk (Meet on McMillan)
9am-1pm: Office Hours
4pm: Handbells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
4:40pm: Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

Thursday, November 12
9am-12pm: Office Hours

Friday, November 13
Pastor's Day Off | Office Closed on Fridays

LOOKING AHEAD – Nov 15: 10 AM – Combined Worship (at St. Paul)
Nov 22: Congregation Meeting (Sanctuary)

SAINT JAMES would like to remind all to please ensure that your phones and other electronic devices are silenced, switched to vibrate, or turned off before worship begins. Thank you for your cooperation!

INDOOR TAILGATE Saint James will be hosting an indoor tailgate for the Lions game on **Sunday, November 8** at **1 PM.** Bring your favorite tailgate snack and join us in the Gathering Area for food, football & fellowship! Not into football? You're still welcome to join us for fellowship! All are welcome!

COMBINED WORSHIP On **Sunday, November 15** we will be having one combined worship service at **St. Paul** at **10 AM. There will be NO worship at Saint James that day.** After worship, St. Paul is having their annual Advent Workshop and Saint James is invited to join! We'll worship together, have a meal, and then do the workshop projects together.

SAVE THE DATE On **Sunday, November 22** we will be having our fall Congregation Meeting immediately following worship. The agenda includes approving the budget for 2027. Please plan to stay and attend this important meeting.

FALL CLEAN UP Saint James is putting together a group of volunteers to assist members with fall yard clean-up sometime in October. If you need a helping hand with your fall leaves, please contact **Pastor Grant.** If you are interested in volunteering to help, sign up on the kiosk.

WOMEN OF THE WORD Meets next on **Tuesday, November 10** at **1 PM** in the Meditation Room. The study on Bold Faith journeys continues with Mary Magdelan as this topic for this month. All women are invited to join, please contact **Nancy Kopka** with questions.

PRAYER SHAWLS Meets next on **Thursday, November 12** at **10 AM** in the upstairs conference room. All knitters and crocheters are encouraged to join! Please contact **Nancy Kopka** with any questions.

MORING WALK **Sarah Sutherland** invites you to join her for a morning walk every **Wednesday** morning at **6 AM.** We'll meet outside of Saint James on McMillan and enjoy fresh air and conversation to start our day!

FILL PASTOR'S OFFICE Don't forget to fill Pastor's office to support the Iroquois Food Pantry! If we fill Pastor's office with needed items like **cereal, paper towel, and toilet paper,** she will make a **$250 donation** to help Iroquois purchase the perishable groceries they hand out on Fridays! We will be collecting donations through the end of **November**.