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Serving Our Neighbors by Sharing Our Blessings

Sunday, November 5, 2023—9:30 AM All Saints Sunday Holy Communion

All are welcome to commune and receive Christ in bread and wine. Please fill out a communion card and give it to the usher when coming forward for Communion.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

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.

WELCOME

CENTERING TIME

2 minutes of silence to center our hearts for worship. Our time will conclude after the centering music.

CENTERING MUSIC

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Time of silence and self-examination

- P Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

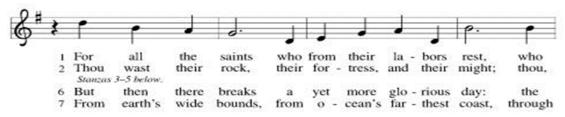
C And also with you.

SHARING OF PEACE

STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART

OPENING HYMN ELW #422

For All the Saints

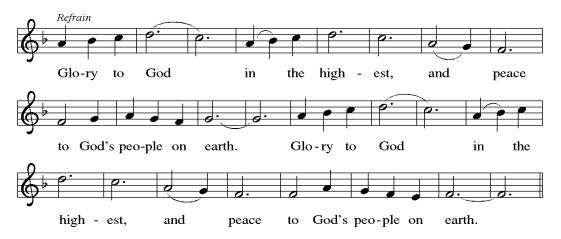




GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE Page 167



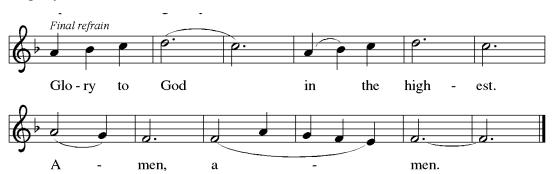
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- C 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.

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.

⁹After 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. ¹⁰They 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."

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

¹⁵For 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.

¹⁶They 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 The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (read responsively)

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²I will glory in the Lord;

let the lowly hear | and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

⁴I sought the LORD, who | answered me and delivered me from | all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me and saved me from | all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD and de- | livers them.

⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good;

happy are they who take ref- uge in God!

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,

for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

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

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

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.

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

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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.

P The holy gospel according to Matthew

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then 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 righteousness' sake, 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. ¹²Rejoice 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.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Blessed Are They"

ELW #728

Refrain: Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the Kingdom of God!

- 1. Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.
- 2. Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth. Blest are they, who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
- 3. Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Blest are you who suffer hate; all because of me. Rejoice be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.

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 THE SAINTS

P Let us remember all the saints before God.

We praise and bless you, O holy Trinity. You have taught us that your church is an ageless communion of saints. We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised. We remember them before you now: Norval Bjerga, Dave Nelson, Jack Greinke, Barbara Henk, Andrea Alvarez, Aldo Berardi, Anne Darcy, Paul Hodolitz, Cheri Holsapple, Walter Molley, Don Olson, Marilyn Vanderleest, and Allison Vanhaelst. We praise you for adding us through baptism to the community of saints. As you have for those who have gone before us, prepare also a place for us.

We remember them as encouragement for our life of faith, exciting us to live in love, anticipating an eternal reunion.

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed,

C Thy name O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION—Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence. Each petition ends:

- P Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:

we are an offering.

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands,

Lord use our lives, they are yours:

we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be,

we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,

we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering,

we are an offering.

OFFERING PRAYER

- P Let us pray.
- C God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

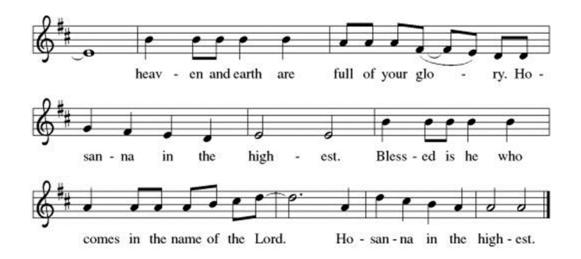
DIALOGUE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION - all are invited *gluten free wafers are available.

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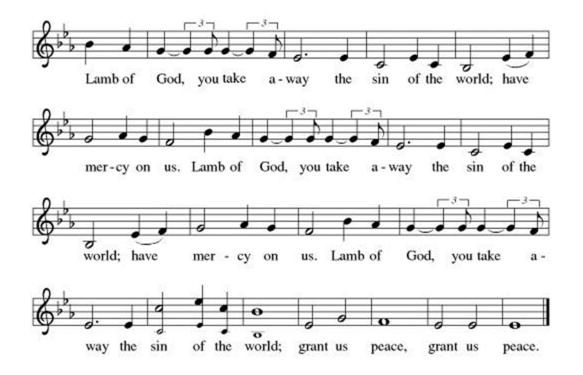


TABLE BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Let us pray.
- C Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

- P The God of glory,
 - + Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

SENDING MUSIC

STATING OUR MISSION

- P Resurrection, what is our mission?
- C Serving Our Neighbors by Sharing Our Blessings!

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Christ is with you.
- C Thanks be to God.

Pastor: Darryl Thompson Powell Director of Music: Henrietta Atkin

Oboist: Wayne Ryerson

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION

Monday, November 6

12:00 pm	Food Pantry & Clothing Closet
6:30 pm	Vision & Mission Meeting

Tuesday, November 7

6:30 pm Finance Meeting

Wednesday, November 8

1:00 pm	Midweek Service
2:00 pm	Bible Study
4:30 pm	Outreach Meeting
6:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm	Evening Service

Thursday, November 9

7:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting

Friday, November 10

Pastor Darryl's Sabbath

Saturday, November 11

Sunday, November 12

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

Online services are available via Facebook (www.facebook.com/rlcfp/live), YouTube (www.youtube.com/rlcfp or search for "Resurrection Lutheran Franklin Park YouTube") and Twitch.

Bible Study can be accessed via Zoom online (bit.ly/rlcfp-zoom) or by phone (312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 230 167 8868, Password: 9777). You can also watch without participating on YouTube (www.youtube.com/rlcfp).



The flowers today are from Virginia Schultz in memory of her husband Louis E. Schultz.





We are starting "mac & cheese and tuna Sundays".

Any and all donations are always very much appreciated!

The Unity in Community Foundation 15th Annual Fundraiser CommUNITY Sunday Funday

November 12, 2023 1:00 pm—6:00 pm at the Underpass Restaurant and Lounge 9400 Grand Avenue, Franklin Park.

Please join us as we host our 15th annual fundraiser at the Underpass Lounge. We decided to change things up a bit this year, so our event will be held on Sunday, November 12, 2023. We were originally going to start a bit earlier, but have decided on 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm. For those who may not be aware, we recently lost a Leyden icon, East Leyden High School teacher and coach, Jack Leese. The school is hosting a celebration of life for coach Leese on the same day, so we moved our time back slightly so those attending the celebration can then come to the Underpass for our event.

Since it's a Sunday Funday in the fall, and since coach Leese was one of the best to ever don the sidelines, there will have to be some football, right? Our answer, ABSOLUTE-LY! We will have NFL games being televised inside and out for your viewing enjoyment, as well as some great music. As usual, we will have a ton of AMAZING raffle prizes for you to take a chance on as well.

Tickets for the event will be \$30 per person, which includes not only your entry and donation to The Unity in Community Foundation, but also an INCREDIBLE food spread made by the one and only Chef Armando!

If you have any questions, please send us a message on Facebook, or email us at info@theunityincommunity.org



PRAY FOR MEMBERS: Lindsay V, Virginia S, June K and family, Dolores B, Janet G, Irwin K, Marvin K, and Donna T.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF RLC MEMBERS: Marilyn R. Ed, Emily F, Lori, Michelle S, Ayla, Ryan & Samantha, Curtis, Allen, Pastor Tim, Nancy, Susan, Victor, Richard, Sarah, John M, Mike I, Sharon V, Gary V, Sophia, Marina, Luisa, Nathan, Cyndy W, John B, Feodore, Atour, Billy G, Joyce S, Judy K, Kevin, Lynn, Stan and Darlene M, housekeeping staff at hospitals and nursing homes, the homeless, Elaine R, Lamone C, Linda B and Scott B.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Josiah G and Mike B.

If there is someone on the prayer list that no longer is in need of prayers, please call or email the office to let us know. Thank you.