

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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All Saints Sunday November 5, 2023 Worship 11:00 A.M.

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Worship is live streamed on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/princerupertlutheran/.

Welcome to Worship at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. 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.

Weekly Prayer Petitions

Local: Annunciation Catholic Church

Synod: Lutheran Church of the Cross in Victoria, For prison ministries and their chaplains

Anglican: The Principal, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon

Lutheran: The Principal-Dean, faculty, students, and staff of Martin Luther University College

ELCIC/ACC: Remember those who died in war and pray for renewed commitment to work for peace.

Discipleship Opportunities

- 1. The pastor will not be public this Wednesday as she will be away on Synod business.
- 3. This week's "Getting to Know Us" Bible study meets Thursday evening at 7:00 both in-person and by Zoom. No biblical knowledge necessary. The direct link is: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86755788557 Meeting Id: 867 5578 8557, no password needed.
- 4. Join us tonight, November 5th for Food and Fun Night! Potluck starts at 6:00 with games to follow!
- 5. Anyone interested in singing together is invited to gather after coffee on 2nd and 4th Sundays.
- * All Hymns and liturgical text reprinted under One License: #A-731124 and Augsburg Fortress: #SB157842
- * Our Bible readings are taken from the New Revised Standard Version, covered under AF #SB157842.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. **Amen.**

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

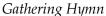
Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through & Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

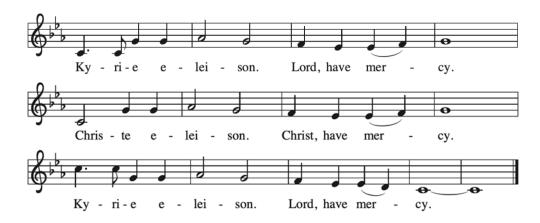
Amen.





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.**

Kyrie



Hymn of Praise



We pray together our 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

Our first reading is from Revelation beginning at the 7th Chapter

7:9-17

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. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

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, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I 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.

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

We read Psalm 34:1-10, 22 responsively: (leader reads the light print, congregation reads the bold)

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

I will glory in the Lord; let the lowly hear and rejoice.

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

I sought the Lord, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.

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

I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord and delivers them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good. O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Our second reading is from 1 John, beginning at the 3rd Chapter

3:1-3

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. 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. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

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. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

- "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 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 the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Rev. Diana Edis

Hymn of the Day



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Prayers of Intercession: (petition end: Hear us, O God,) (petition response: **Your mercy is great.)**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering

Offerings may be mailed to the church, placed in our mailbox, sent by e-transfer to <u>offering2stpauls@citywest.ca</u>., or given through CanadaHelps to St. Paul's Lutheran, Prince Rupert.

Offering Prayer

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

We enter a time of communion. All people are invited to receive God's meal. If you wish to receive, this meal is for you. If you would like to learn more about communion please speak with the pastor after worship. Those worshiping off campus may prepare bread and wine or juice for your worship space. When the bread and beverage are offered by the pastor and you eat and drink you may respond, "Amen." We have both bread and gluten-free wafers, wine and juice; please let your server know which options are needed.

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.

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



O God triune...The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

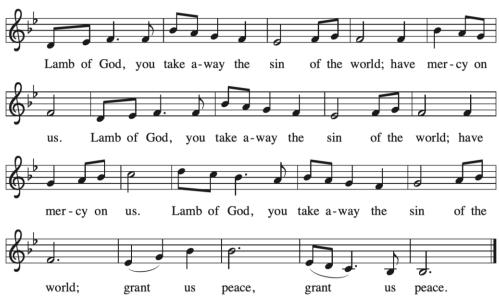
Amen, and amen.

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Lord's Prayer



Lamb of God



Communion Hymns during communion:

Praise and Thanksgiving For All Your Saints, O Lord No. 689 ELW No. 427 ELW The body and blood of our Lord and Saviour strengthen you to eternal life.

Amen

Prayer after communion

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

Amen.

Blessing

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

Amen.

Sending Hymn



Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version

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Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.