

# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

All Saints Sunday

Sunday, November 05, 2023, 10:30 A.M



## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **VIDEO INTERLUDE - PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be God, the one who forms us, (+) Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete. **Amen.** 

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

Steadfast and faithful God, you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In Christ (+), you are forgiven. **Amen.** 

## GATHERING SONG - For All the Saints - ELW #422

## THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

#### People: And also with you.

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Pastor:* 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.** 

#### **TEMPLE TALK - Matthew 25**

# **THE FIRST READING: Revelation 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 for ever 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.'
Here ends the reading. Word of God, Word of Life... *People:* Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: Psalm 34:1-10, 22 (Read responsively by half verse.)

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble.

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

O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

#### THE CHILDREN'S SERMON - Heather Lussier

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – I Love to Tell the Story ELW #661

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.* 

*I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.* 

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 13:44-46

'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

*Pastor:* The Gospel of the Lord *People:* **Thanks be to God!** 

**THE SERMON:** Kingdom Stories What's Your Values Proposition? Pastor Frank Waugh

#### THE HYMN OF THE DAY - Christ, Be Our Light - ELW #715

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH - The 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.

#### THE LITANY OF THE SAINTS

#### THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

#### THE PEACE

#### THE OFFERING

#### THE OFFERING RESPONSE

#### THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

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. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - ELW p. 144

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you. *People:* **And also with you.** 

*Pastor:* Lift up your hearts. *People:* **We lift them to the Lord.** 

*Pastor:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People:* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 

**THE PREFACE** (Sung by Pastor)

## THE SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

#### **COMMUNION SONGS**

#### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## THE COMMUNION PRAYER

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.** 

# THE BLESSING

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

# THE SENDING SONG - Shall We Gather at the River - ELW #423

## THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God is at work in you. Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE