



LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Growing Family of Faith

November 1, 2020

Celebrating All Saints Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASTORAL GREETING

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

P: We are called together to worship today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen!**

P. We remember, O God...

C. The countless saints of history who have blazed a trail of courage through time,

P. We remember, O God...

C. The tender touch of loved ones, the example of heroes, the healing words of comforters, the remarkable acts of fearless ones.

P. We remember, O God...

C. The gentle strength of grandmothers, the loyalty of friends, the kindness of strangers, the joy of children, the sacrifice of parents.

P. We remember, O God...

C. The supreme love of Jesus, the blessing of his Spirit, the reminder of his words, the sharing of his suffering, the glory of his resurrection shown forth in the lives of his disciples,

P. We remember in every time and place the saints of God who have shown us the Lord.
ALL. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...let us worship God with joy!

DEDICATION OF FLAGS

Pastor calls for presentation of flags

P. Loving and Gracious God! It is good to give honor, glory and thanks to the LORD,

C. It is good for us to remember what God has done in our midst in the past, to be awed by God's presence among us in the present, and to faithfully discern God's will.

P. Today a set flags is presented to be added, consecrated, and commissioned into service in Living Word Lutheran Church.

C. We accept these flags as a sacred trust and will use them with reverence and with respect.

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we consecrate these flags to the Glory of God. Let us pray: Loving and gracious God! Grant us your blessing as we consecrate these flags to your glory, that they may be an enduring witness before all of

your people, and that our lives may be consecrated to your service. We pray this in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

C. AMEN.

GATHERING SONG “God Bless America”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

P: Most merciful God,

C. We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. AMEN

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Congregational response: **AMEN**

(Please be seated)

WORSHIP SONG “For All the Saints”

SCRIPTURE LESSONS **FIRST LESSON**

R. The first lesson is from the book of 1 John 3:1-3:

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.

R. This is the word of the Lord **C. *Thanks be to God.***

RESPONSIVE PSALM R. The responsive Psalm is Psalm 34: 1-10, 22:

R. ¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

C. ² *My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.*

R. ³ Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

C. ⁴ *I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.*

R. ⁵ Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

C. ⁶ *This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.*

R. ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

C. ⁸ *Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!*

R. ⁹ Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!

C. ¹⁰ *The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.*

R. ²²The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

R. Here ends the reading of the Psalm. Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL LESSON (Please rise as you are able)

R. The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter, verses 1-12:

C. Glory to you, O Lord

¹Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²And he opened his mouth 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 shall be comforted. ⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. ⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. ⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. ⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹“Blessed are you when others 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 so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

R. This is the Gospel of the Lord. ***C. Praise to you, O Christ.***

NICENE CREED

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

I 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

(Please be seated)

SERMON SONG “This is Amazing Grace”

MESSAGE Pastor Michael Birnbaum

COMMISSIONING AND DEDICATION OF SMALL GROUP LEADERS

OFFERING PRAYER and PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(Offering plates located at rear-thank you thank you, thank you!)

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

P. Let us pray, **C. We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Following general prayers, you are encouraged to share other prayer concerns out loud. Please close your prayer concern with “Lord in your mercy”.

HOLY COMMUNION

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts. **C. We lift them to the Lord.**

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

P. It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending proclamation: **C. (singing) Holy, holy, holy,**

My heart, my heart adores You!

My heart is glad to say, the words:

You are holy, Lord!

Communion Prayer, Consecration of Elements, Lord’s Prayer

(Please be seated during distribution of communion)

We welcome everyone to the Lord’s Table who shares the Biblical belief that He is present (1 Cor. 10:16) and our sins are being forgiven as He promises (Matt.26:28). This sacrament is a truly wonderful opportunity to share this miracle and our oneness as the Body of Christ together! (1Cor. 10:17-18)

BLESSING/BENEDICTION *(please rise as you are able)*

(Please be seated)

REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE GONE BEFORE

In remembrance of the following Living Word Family members and friends:

<i>Beanna Nelson</i>	<i>Leora Hammer</i>	<i>Deloris Schultz</i>	<i>Paul George</i>
<i>Bill Downer</i>	<i>Lorraine Koch</i>	<i>Fred Krick</i>	<i>Marie LeRoy</i>
<i>Charlie White</i>	<i>Lee Kloosterman</i>	<i>Shirl Graff</i>	

SENDING SONG “When the Saints (go marching in)”

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God!**

God Bless You! See you next week. Bring a friend or relative!



- Until we begin taking the offering during the service again don't forget to use the offering plates at the rear of the church. Drop in your offering as you arrive to worship, after Communion, or as you leave after worship. **Thank you and Blessings to all!**
- **Social distancing??** As our attendance grows more toward "normal" we have gone back to seating by rows **but** adding more rows so everyone can choose their "social distancing" by spacing themselves from non-family, etc. Remember we have plenty of masks and hand sanitizer available as well!



- Nov. 4-Men's Bible Study and Fellowship 8 AM, Council Meeting 1:30
- Nov. 5-"Blessed and Unstoppable" Small Group meets at IHOP 5:30
- Nov. 8-REFORMATION Worship, Dedication of Crosses
- Nov. 12-Small Group Sampler **OPEN TO EVERYONE**, 7 PM 3690 N. Miller St.
- Nov. 22-Thanksgiving Worship and Thanksgiving Dinner to follow
- Nov. 29-**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Post Communion Canticle

Thank the Lord and sing His praise
tell ev-ery-one what He has done
Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce
and proud-ly bear His name.
He re-calls His prom-is-es
and leads His pe-ople forth in joy
With shouts of thanks-giv-ing
Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.

God Bless America

God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with a light from above
From the mountains to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam
God bless America, my home sweet home
God bless America, my home sweet home
Repeat verse

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For All the Saints

For all the saints who from their labors rest
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed
Thy name, O Jesus be forever blest: Alleluia

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light: Alleluia

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold: Alleluia

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine: Alleluia

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way: Alleluia

From earth's wide bounds,
From ocean's farthest coast
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia

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This Is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for
me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy worthy worthy

Chorus

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When the Saints Go Marching In

Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in.

Oh, when I hear that trumpet sound
Oh, when I hear that trumpet sound
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When I hear that trumpet sound

Oh, when the stars begin to shine
Oh, when the stars begin to shine
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When the stars begin to shine

Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh, when the saints go marching in
Oh Lord I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in.

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