

*These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Revelation 7:14*

## **ALL SAINTS' DAY**

Washed in the Blood of the Lamb

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***A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL!***

It is our joy to have guests visit our congregation. We pray that God would bless you during your visit with us. We encourage you to sign your name and address in the red fellowship book that will be passed out during the offering so that we have a record of your visit with us.

*May God's Word fill you with peace and joy in worship today.*

**WHAT SHOULD YOU EXPECT TODAY AT ETERNAL HOPE?**

Here at Eternal Hope we believe that God comes to serve us in the worship service. You can expect that God will offer you the forgiveness of sins, hear your needs, offer you mercy, teach you His ways, comfort you with the peace of Christ, and feed you through His Word and in Holy Communion. All this and more God does for you because He loves you. You will have beautiful opportunities to join all the others who are gathered in saying "thank you" to God.

**AS WE GATHER**

The saints remind us that we are not alone. We have been washed in the blood of the Lamb and brought into the fellowship of all the saints through Baptism. We live this new life by faith now, but then we shall see Him face-to-face and know Him as we are known by Him. When lonely or fearful, the company of the saints encourages us, and their devotion to the Lord inspires us to endure to the end that we might be saved. Whether known well or known only to God, the faithful are not forgotten and neither will we be.

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER**

Dear Heavenly Father, as we stand before You in worship this morning, remind us that we are not saved by our good works, but for good works (Ephesians 2:8-10). Focus our hearts on the mission You have for us to share the gospel and make disciples of Christ (Matthew 28:18-20). Remind us how our marriages, family lives, work, and hobbies can be avenues to adorn the gospel through our proclamation and Christ-exalting lifestyles. Use our time as Your gathered body to build us up and send us out for ministering your gospel, in the power of your Spirit, to our broken world. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## PREPARATION

**OPENING HYMN** "Glorious Things of You Are Spoken" LSB 648

### INVOCATION

*(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## WORD

**KYRIE** *(Based on LSB, pp. 249–251)*

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: 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:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For Matthew, our Synodical President, for Lucas, our District President for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For the President of the United States, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For the forgiveness of our sins, for the aid of the Holy Spirit to amend our sinful lives, and for the faith that trusts the absolution of God, let us pray to the Lord:

**People: Lord, have mercy.** 🎵

Pastor: For the faithful who have gone before us with the sign of faith and now rest from their labors, and those whom we name before You in our hearts and minds and with our voices this day..., let us give thanks to the Lord:

**People: Alleluia.** 🎵

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

*Silence is kept for individual prayer.*

Pastor: Rejoicing in the fellowship of the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:

**People: To You, O Lord.** 🎵

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord, remember Your Church throughout the world; make all its members grow in love for You and for one another. As You have received our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life, bring us at last with them into the light of Your presence, that in union with all Your saints we may give You glory forever, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.** 🎵

**HYMN OF PRAISE** "Glory To God, We Give You Thanks And Praise" LSB 946

### **SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.** 🎵

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.** 🎵

**FIRST READING**    *Revelation 7:2–17*    (The Lamb will be their shepherd; He will guide them to springs of living water and wipe every tear from their eyes.)

<sup>2</sup>Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, <sup>3</sup>saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.”

<sup>4</sup>And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

<sup>5</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,

12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,

12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

<sup>6</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Asher,

12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,

12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

<sup>7</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,

12,000 from the tribe of Levi,

12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,

<sup>8</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,

12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,

12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” <sup>14</sup>I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>“Therefore they are before the throne of God,

and serve him day and night in his temple;

and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them,

nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of living water,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE**    *1 John 3:1–3*    (Beloved, we are God’s children now.)

<sup>1</sup>See 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. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, 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. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**    *Hebrews 12:1a, 2a*



☐ Al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia.

Pastor: Alleluia. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. Alleluia.



☐ Al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia,    al - le - lu - ia.

**HOLY GOSPEL**    *Matthew 5:1–12*    (Rejoice and be glad, for great is your reward in heaven.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.** ♪

<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.  
<sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:  
<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.  
<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.  
<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.  
<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.  
<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.  
<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.  
<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.** ♪

## **OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH**

*The Nicene Creed*

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    "For All the Saints"    *LSB 677*

## **SERMON**

## **OFFERING**

**Matthew 5:6 – “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.”**

You only hunger and thirst for what you don't have. Jesus has come to fill us up with righteousness – His own righteousness. He is the self-giving Lord whose sacrifice inspires us to be givers, too.

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we offer before You our common supplications for the well-being of Your Church throughout the world. So guide and govern it by Your Holy Spirit that all who profess themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Send down upon all ministers of the Gospel and upon the congregations committed to their care the healthful spirit of Your grace that they may please You in all things. Behold in mercy all who are in authority over us. Supply them with Your blessing that they may be inclined to Your will and walk according to Your commandments. We humbly ask Your abiding presence in every situation that You would make known Your ways among us. Preserve those who travel, satisfy the wants of Your creatures, and help those who call upon You in any need that they may have patience in the midst of suffering and, according to Your will, be released from their afflictions; through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## SACRAMENT

### ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION

*The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Eternal Hope in the belief and glad confidence that our Lord gives to us exactly what His Word tells us, not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.*

*Our Lord invites to His table those who believe and trust in His Words, are truly sorry for and turn from their sins, and who forgive and love one another as He forgives and loves us. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their own great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.*

*If this is your belief and confession, we invite you to partake of this special meal.*

### PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

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 Him thanks and praise.** 🎵

### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: You are worthy of all honor, praise, glory, and worship, O Lord, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, but especially do we give You thanks for the great crowd of witnesses throughout every age and generation, who knew the mystery of Christ by faith and give testament to His saving Gospel in word and work but now rest from their labors. With them we join the great company of the prophets, apostles, evangelists, and all the saints in heaven, with angels and archangels, and laud Your glory and sing their unending hymn:

### SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our fathers, who from the foundation of the world did prepare for salvation to be revealed in Your Son and who did elect us according to Your mercy to be His own, now and forevermore. Recalling with joy His one, all-sufficient sacrifice of His body and blood on the cross, we gather in His name to receive the fruits of His redeeming work in the Holy Sacrament He instituted, of which He is both host and food, according to His own testament:

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matt. 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Cor. 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pastor: O Lord God, heavenly Father, we here recall before You the sufferings and death of Your own dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising His victorious resurrection from the dead, we are encouraged by His ascension on high at Your right hand, where still He ever stands on our behalf as High Priest and intercessor for us.

Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom without end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone do we give all glory, honor, worship, and praise, O blessed and eternal Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, both now and forevermore.

**People: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER** *Matthew 6:9–13*

**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.**

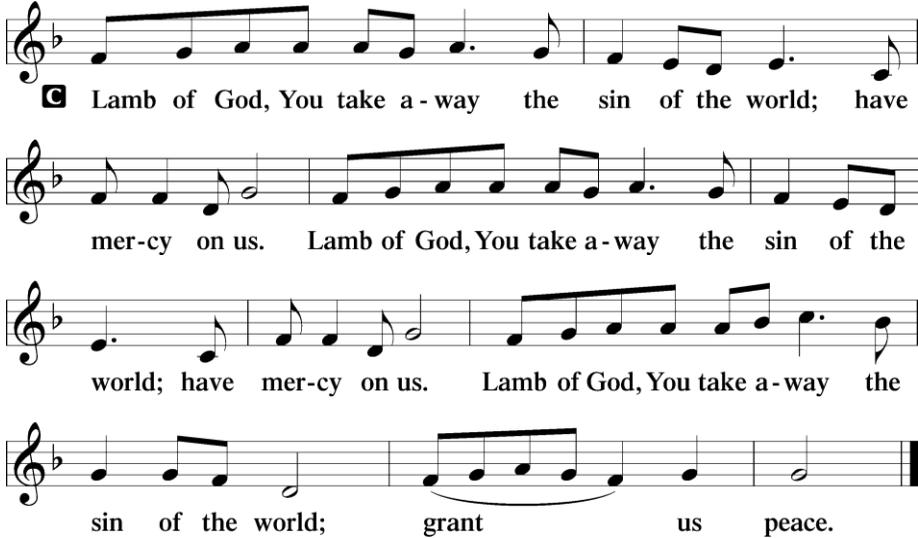
**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **PAX DOMINI**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: Amen.** 

## AGNUS DEI



**G** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION

*(The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:)*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

*(In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:)*

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

**People:** Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS *(As Needed)*

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" LSB 680

"The Saints In Christ Are One In Every Place" LSB 838

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE** "Thank The Lord" *LSB 164*



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Merciful Father, grace and blessing surround us, and the lives of the company of the saints give testament to Your mercy. Guard what You have begun in us at our Baptism, that we may be a blessing to those who come after us, and at the last, reunite us together before Your throne on high, where there is no night, no sorrow, and no death anymore; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.** 🎵

**BENEDICAMUS**

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.** 🎵

**BENEDICTION** *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**People: Amen.** 🎵

**DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING HYMN** "Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses" *LSB 667*

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