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ALL SAINTS' DAY (Observed)

November 5, 2023

Welcome: We are glad that you are here or are watching our worship service online. May you be blessed through this time of worship. We pray you find today's service a source of encouragement and strength. *Offerings are received at the door as you enter or leave. Please take a moment to complete an attendance registration slip found in the pew rack and return it to the offering plates also.*

Lectionary Summary: “A great multitude ... from all tribes and peoples and languages” cry out, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne” (Rev. 7:9–10). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, “shall see him as he is” (1 John 3:2). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall “serve him day and night in his temple” (Rev. 7:15). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ, propels us forward to our eternal home, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

On Saints: Our Confession approves honors to the saints. For here a threefold honor is to be approved. The first is thanksgiving. For we ought to give thanks to God because He has shown examples of mercy, because He has shown that He wishes to save men, because He has given teachers or other gifts to the Church. And these gifts, as they are the greatest, should be amplified, and the saints themselves should be praised, who have faithfully used these gifts, just as Christ praises faithful businessmen, Matt. 25, 21. 23. The second service is the strengthening of our faith when we see the denial forgiven Peter, we also are encouraged to believe the more that grace truly superabounds over sin, Rom. 5, 20. The third honor is the imitation, first, of faith, then of the other virtues which everyone should imitate according to his calling. Apology to the Augsburg Confession Article XXI

Order of Worship
Matins *LSB 219*

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

Ringling of the Bell

Call to Worship: Sunday School Children (10:30 a.m.)

♪ Opening Hymn: “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones” *LSB 670 v. 1, 3, 4*

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones, Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: “Alleluia!”

Cry out, dominions, pryncedoms, pow’rs, Virtues, archangels, angels’ choirs:
“Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest, Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
“Alleluia, alleluia!”

Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong, All saints triumphant, raise the song:
“Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

Stand

4 O friends, in gladness let us sing, Supernal anthems echoing:
“Alleluia, alleluia!”

To God the Father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, Three in One:
“Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

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LSB 219

Opening Versicles (Matins)

♪P O Lord, open my lips.

♪C And my mouth will declare Your praise.


♪P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;


♪C make haste to help me, O Lord.


♪C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.

♪P Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

♪C O come, let us worship Him.

 O come, let us sing |to the Lord,
 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of |our salvation.
 Let us come into His presence with thanks|giving,
 let us make a joyful noise to |Him with songs of praise.
 For the Lord is a |great God
 and a great |king above all gods.
 The deep places of the earth are |in His hand;
 the strength of the hills is |His also.
 The sea is His, for He |made it,
 and His hand |formed the dry land.
 O come, let us worship and |bow down,
 let us kneel before the |Lord, our maker.
 For He |is our God,
 and we are the people of His pasture and the |sheep of His hand.
 Glory be to the Father and |to the Son
 and to the |Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the be|ginning,
 is now, and will be for|ever. Amen.

 Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

 O come, let us worship Him.

Sit

Readings From Holy Scripture

First Reading

Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After 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, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And 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, ¹²saying, “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, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I 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. ¹⁵“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. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither

thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For 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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] 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. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Children’s Message

♪Sermon Hymn: “Behold a Host, Arrayed in White”

LSB 676

1 Behold a host, arrayed in white, Like thousand snow-clad mountains bright!
With palms they stand; Who is this band Before the throne of light?

These are the saints of glorious fame, Who from the great affliction came
And in the flood Of Jesus' blood Are cleansed from guilt and shame.
They now serve God both day and night; They sing their songs in endless light.
Their anthems ring As they all sing With angels shining bright.

2 Despised and scorned, they sojourned here; But now, how glorious they appear!
Those martyrs stand, A priestly band, God's throne forever near.
On earth they wept through bitter years; Now God has wiped away their tears,
Transformed their strife To heav'nly life, And freed them from their fears.
They now enjoy the Sabbath rest, The heav'nly banquet of the blest;
The Lamb, their Lord, At festive board Himself is host and guest.

3 O blessed saints in bright array Now safely home in endless day,
Extol the Lord, Who with His Word Sustained you on the way.
The steep and narrow path you trod; You toiled and sowed the Word abroad;
Rejoice and bring Your fruits and sing Before the throne of God.
The myriad angels raise their song; O saints, sing with that happy throng!
Lift up one voice; Let heav'n rejoice In our Redeemer's song!

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Sermon "What a Hope!"

Pastor Buchhorn

Stand

♪ Te Deum Hymn: "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"

LSB 941

1 We praise You and acknowledge You, O God, to be the Lord,
The Father everlasting, by all the earth adored.

To You all angel powers cry aloud, the heavens sing,
The cherubim and seraphim their praises to You bring:
"O holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
Your majesty and glory fill the heavens and the earth!"

2 The band of the apostles in glory sing Your praise;
The fellowship of prophets their deathless voices raise.
The martyrs of Your kingdom, a great and noble throng,
Sing with the holy Church throughout all the world this song:
"O all-majestic Father, Your true and only Son,
And Holy Spirit, Comforter—forever Three in One!"

- 3 You, Christ, are King of glory, the everlasting Son,
Yet You, with boundless love, sought to rescue ev'ryone:
 You laid aside Your glory, were born of virgin's womb,
 Were crucified for us and were placed into a tomb;
Then by Your resurrection You won for us reprieve—
You opened heaven's kingdom to all who would believe.**
- 4 You sit in splendid glory, enthroned at God's right hand,
Upholding earth and heaven by forces You command.
 We know that You will come as our Judge that final day,
 So help Your servants You have redeemed by blood, we pray;
May we with saints be numbered where praises never end,
In glory everlasting. Amen, O Lord, amen!**

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Sit

Remembrance of the Faithful Departed

- [P]** I heard a voice from heaven saying: Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord henceforth.”
- [C]** “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “That they may rest from their labors, and their deeds do follow them.” Rev. 14:13

“For All the Saints”

LSB 677 selected verses

- ♪ 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! 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! Alleluia!**
- [P]** Let us remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for they were created by God to offer Him praise and thanksgiving forever, and He gave them new life through His Son in Holy Baptism and nourished them in the company of His people at His holy table, and in His mercy has summoned them to His nearer presence so that they may continue in joyful service to Him forever.

We remember those who have died as members of Grace Lutheran Church during the past year.

<i>Merlin Beiermann</i> <i>June 21, 1932 – Nov. 15, 2022</i>	<i>Allan Wittig</i> <i>Jan. 11, 1928 – Dec. 17, 2022</i>
<i>Jim Mitchell</i> <i>Aug. 4, 1949 – Jan. 21, 2023</i>	<i>Darrell Doescher</i> <i>June 20, 1941 – June 2, 2023</i>
<i>Mardelle Hallstrom</i> <i>July 29, 1941 -July 9, 2023</i>	<i>Fritz Temme</i> <i>Mar. 29, 1930 – Aug. 9, 2023</i>
<i>Janet Claussen</i> <i>Oct. 25, 1938 – Aug. 11, 2023</i>	<i>Joann Temme</i> <i>Aug. 19, 1931 – Sept. 28, 2023</i>
<i>Twyla Lindsay</i> <i>Mar. 30, 1934 – Oct. 11, 2023</i>	

♪ **Oh, 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! Alleluia!**

♪ **Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

☐ In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life, we remember before You, O Lord, all our departed kin and friends and all those who in our hearts and minds this day.

<i>Robert A. Broberg</i> <i>Grandfather of Amanda Broberg</i>	<i>Evelyn Mock</i> <i>Mother of Dwight Mock</i>
<i>Roger Denker</i> <i>Brother of Kay Denker</i>	<i>Mikayla Hamilton</i> <i>Granddaughter of Virgil & Lila Loewe</i>
<i>John Maxon</i> <i>Brother of Lora Heithold</i>	<i>Robert & Brenda Loewe</i> <i>Aunt & Uncle of Virgil & Lila Loewe</i>

♪ **The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! 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! Alleluia!**

Stand

P Let us pray. Almighty God we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

♪ **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! Alleluia!**

♪ **Kyrie**

LSB 227

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Collect of the Day

P 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.

C Amen.

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Collect for Grace

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

♪**C** Amen.

♪**P** Let us bless the Lord.

♪**C** Thanks be to God.

♪**P** The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

♪**C** Amen.

Sit

♪Closing Hymn: “By All Your Saints in Warfare”

LSB 517 sts. 1, 4, 3

1 By all Your saints in warfare, For all Your saints at rest,
Your holy name, O Jesus, Forevermore be blest!
For You have won the battle That they might wear the crown;
And now they shine in glory Reflected from Your throne.

4 Apostles, prophets, martyrs, And all the noble throng
Who wear the spotless raiment And raise the ceaseless song—
For these, passed on before us, We offer praises due
And, walking in their footsteps, Would live our lives for You.

3 Then let us praise the Father And worship God the Son
And sing to God the Spirit, Eternal Three in One,
Till all the ransomed number Fall down before the throne,
Ascribing pow’r and glory And praise to God alone.

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NEWS AND NOTES

WE REJOICE with the following members of Grace who are celebrating this week.

BIRTHDAYS: Morgan Centrone, Julie Thomsen, Bea Kinslow, Roger Schwanke, Bonnadell Koch, Aracili Latham, Linda Gehner, Kimberly Ocampo, Brad Stewart, Micah Sprouls, Con Munson, Kelly Hansen, Jordyn Doescher, Larry Echtenkamp, Brian Frevert & Bob Sutton

ANNIVERSARIES: Scott & Tanya Brogren and Mark & Kara Heithold

NURSERY: A nursery room has been created to help parents with young children. The nursery is located in the first room west of the upstairs fellowship hall. Please feel welcome to use the room to quiet your child.

PARENTS OF LITTLE CHILDREN: Books which your children may enjoy are available in book bags located near the doors at the east end of the sanctuary. Please return the books after the worship service. Thank you.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS WERE \$5,359.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: Sunday Morning Bible Class: Join us for our continued overview of the book of Acts as we see Paul in Ephesus. When faith and business collide, it leads to a riot. Join us at 9:15 in the basement.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: This week Pastor Lilienkamp will be leading the class. Join him at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: As we remember those who have gone to their heavenly home, perhaps the prospect of facing the holidays with an empty seat at our home seems overwhelming. Our annual Blue Christmas service is a time for those who have experienced loss to be encouraged by God's Holy Word and Spirit of Consolation. The service will be held on the evening of December 17. Please spread the word to those who just don't feel like celebrating this year and invite them to join us.

LUTHERAN HOUR: "Again and Again and Again"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: "A Basket of Hope" is today's lesson in which participants explore the birth of Moses. Three hundred years after the death of Joseph, Egypt's new pharaoh despises the Hebrews. Pharaoh demands greater work output from the Hebrew slaves while seeking to reduce their population through infanticide. Moses' mother manages to hide baby Moses until he is three months old, when she finally sets him afloat in a basket. Discovered by Pharaoh's daughter, Moses enters a life of privilege.

SUNDAY SUPPERS AT CUP OF GRACE: Each Sunday evening a free meal for WSC or other students is being planned for Cup of Grace at 7:30 p.m. Please come and

join us for this casual meal in a friendly, faith-affirming environment. We look forward to seeing you there.

THE YOUTH GROUP will be hosting a Cornhole Tournament on Sunday, TODAY November 5th @ 5:30pm in the church basement. Supper and prizes will be provided. Sign up TODAY...friends welcome! Contact Lora or Teresa with questions.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: During November the Altar Guild will be assembling a display in the sanctuary for donating non-perishable food items for the Wayne Food Pantry. Any healthy, filling, non-perishable foods are welcome. There is also a need for diapers and other paper goods and health/beauty aids. Here is a list of possible items: boxed meals (Hamburger Helper), canned meat (tuna, chicken), peanut butter, jelly, macaroni & cheese, pasta & sauce, canned fruit, canned soup, canned vegetables, cereals & oatmeal, flour & sugar, diapers (all sizes), toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste), paper products (toilet paper, paper towels.)

HOLIDAY HAM SALES have been a tradition in our church around the holidays. Sales will begin Sunday, November 19th with a delivery date of Wednesday, December 13th. The 8-10 pound fully cooked spiral cut ham will be \$35 each. We are excited for another year of selling and thank you for your support of our Youth Group (7th-12th Grade). More details to come.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY FOR NOVEMBER is scheduled for Sunday, November 12th @ 5:30pm hosted by Brooke Sturm at her home; 803 Jaxon Street, Wayne. If you would like to bring something that goes along with soup to share, please do so though not required. Reminder: this is a low-key group that plans to meet monthly but that doesn't mean to join you need to be there every month. Come as it fits in your schedule, all are welcome. Questions contact Julie Bose or Teresa Tiedtke.

SUPPORT LIFE: The WSC prolife club Wild For Life has asked for the help of local churches in their Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser. You are invited to take a baby bottle (available at the entrances) and through the month of November fill it with loose change or cash and then return it to the church by December 3. All money collected will be used to buy diapers, formula, and onesies for Haven House in Wayne and Mary's Choice Pregnancy Center in Sioux City.

ALUMINIUM CANS: Fill the shed west of the church with aluminum cans. It's STILL designated for you to drop off your cans and the funds are given to the Youth Group.

YOUTH GROUP (7th-12th Grades) - SAVE THE DATE for our Christmas Celebration on Saturday, December 2nd @ 5:30pm.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

PASTORS: Pastor Michael Buchhorn, Senior Pastor

Pastor's phone: 402.385.4148 Email: pastorbuchhorn @gmail.com

Pastor Emeritus: Pastor Carl Lilienkamp

ELDER ON DUTY: Payton Janke (8:00) Doug Heithold (10:30)

ACOLYTES: Brayden Stegemann & Trecyn Ocampo (8:00)

Evan Bose & Kennedy Junck (10:30)

READERS: Jeff Simpson (8:00) Jo Junck (10:30)

GREETERS: LeRoy & Carol Robbert (8:00) Jerry & Loree Echtenkamp (10:30)

FISHERS OF KIDS PRESCHOOL: Teacher – Keila Olson – 402.584.2257

Director – Rhonda Sebade – 402.369.2170

LUTHERAN HOUR SPONSOR: Bonnadell Koch

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY	8:00 am.	Worship
	9:15 am.	Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:30 am.	Worship
	5:00 pm.	Youth Cornhole
	7:30 pm.	Sunday Supper
MONDAY	1:30 pm.	Countryview Communion
	3:30 pm.	Kinship Communion
WEDNESDAY	9:00 am.	Bible Study
	10:00 am.	Preschool Chapel
	2:00 pm.	Ladies Aid
	5:00 pm.	Bells
	6:30 pm.	Midweek
THURSDAY	10:00 am.	Preschool Chapel
	7:00 pm.	Choir
SATURDAY	11:00 am.	Family Communion
NEXT SUNDAY	8:00 am.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am.	Sunday School and Bible Class
	10:30 am.	Worship/Communion
	7:30 pm.	Sunday Night Supper