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All Saints Day Service

St. John's Lutheran Church—Sherburn, MN

November 7, 2021

8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

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Welcome: We are happy that you have joined us for worship. May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill your life with the lively hope and lasting joy. Please take time to sign the worship attendance cards and they will be collected during the children's message.

In Our Prayers: Dan Janssen

Coping With Cancer: Wanda Douglas, Jennifer Beseke, Miriam Krueger, Shirley Skogerboe, Serena Johnson, Marlene Kuntz, Tom Wescott, Andrea Mileham, Cindi Crissinger, Lori Koerselman, Julie Krogman, Donna Nawrocki, Elsie Swanson, Shelly Callahan, Gary Maday, Ginny Anderson, Larry Norem, Roger Spiegeler, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Perry Caven, Harv Baird, Michele Thiesse

Care List: Miss Murphy, Albert Ballanger, Tammy Kuehl, Tim Brammeier, Barb Mustard, Loretta Peterson, Taylor Antony, Crue Crosby, Carol Janssen, Roberta Garbers, Sandy Claussen, Robert Ziemer, Judith Nielson, Marilyn Pierson, Lorraine Gagnon, Dennis Cook, Kurt Jans, Steve Luhmann, LaVerna Diekmann, Verna Bliesmer, Les Anderson, Glenna Shanley, Terri Schultz, Joyce Hansen Picken, Linda Chase, Adam Janssen, Marcella Brolsma, Kay Groth, and those we name in our hearts.

Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week: Scott Brolsma, Jerry Huse, James Hybbert, Erica Larson, Ben Truesdell, Sarah Fisher, Jessica Klima, Oliver Korte, Marlene Stueven, Kaleb Kennedy, Ashley Swanson, Sam Baker, Dorothy Behne, Shannon Meyer, Butch Mulso, Natalie Schubert, Angel Brantner, Shirley Brolsma, Scott Heller, Sheryl Larson, Justin Williamson, Dan Klug, Carlee Miller, Hudson Ringnell

Members Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week: Andy & Kathy Nolte, Dennis & Lona Larson, Tom & Anita Davis

We Remember the family and friends of Ardis Brolsma, Darlene Roebbeke, Bruce Behne, and Leona Van Hove.

- Ardis was called to her eternal rest on October 23 and her funeral was November 6 at St. John's Lutheran.
- Darlene was called to her eternal rest on October 29 and her funeral will be November 13, 11:00 a.m. here at St. John's Lutheran.
- Bruce was called to his eternal rest on October 30.
- Leona (mother of Bonnie Wilson) was called to her eternal rest on November 2 and her funeral will be held 10:30 on November 12 at First Congregational Church in Buffalo Center, Iowa. Visitation is Thursday evening from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Sherburn Blood Drive is Monday, November 8 at Assembly of God Regional Worship Center from 1:00-6:00 p.m. Call Dorothy at 236-5764 to make an appointment.

Prime Rib Supper is November 20 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. Tickets are available from Lions club members, Ringnell Insurance, Amborn Lumber, Bank Midwest and at the door. Cost is \$22/person with tickets purchased in advance and \$25/person at the door.

Mission Sunday: Make plans to attend our worship services on Mission Sunday, November 21. Gary Thies, founder of Mission Central near Mapleton, Iowa will speak to us during our worship services and also with our Sunday school and Bible classes. A door offering for missions will be taken.

Harvest Dinner will be held here at St. John's on Sunday, November 21 from 11:00-1:00 p.m. Free will offering. Menu: cheesy turkey, pulled pork, brisket sandwich, potato chips, salads, desserts, pies.

Sunday Morning Bible Classes: Adult Bible Class meets downstairs in the overflow room and SALT meets in the fireside room each Sunday morning during the Sunday school hour. Make plans to join either one of these classes for Bible study and fellowship.

Family Devotional



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Take My Moments and My Days

Today, Sunday, November 7: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with Communion, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Class/SALT,

Wednesday, November 10: 9:00 a.m. Bible Study, 2:00 p.m. LWML, 3:45 p.m. Confirmation, 6:00 p.m. Planning Council

Sunday, November 14: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship, 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/Bible Class/SALT

All Saints Day

"Your Dead Will Live"

AS WE GATHER

We gather this day to commemorate the lives of saints delighting in the holiness of God, experiencing eternity "in Christ Jesus". Saints are those who have gone before us and those among us 'set apart' to be holy. This holiness is that which emanates, not from a perfected life, but one that is shaped solely by the righteousness of Christ graciously bestowed upon the Church through Word and Sacrament. Today triumphant resurrection glory is mingled with grief. We are anchored in salvation's hope; yet, we agonize over death's portal that separates us from those we have loved. Yet on account of Jesus, we confess with the unending Church of all ages, our dead will live!

WELCOME

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGS GRADES 1-6 (10:30 Service)

PREPARATION

OPENING HYMN *"For All The Saints"* #677 vs 1-4

INVOCATION, CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: We are made saints by the blood of Jesus. We acknowledge, however, that we remain sinners in thought, word, and deed. Let us then confess our sins with the saints around us and before our forgiving God.

All: Holy God, You have called us to obey You in all things, according to Your commands. We have failed to be obedient, even though You have set us apart to be holy. We have been sinful in our thoughts, words, and actions. We confess our grievous faults and seek Your cleansing forgiveness.

P: Saints of God, know that even as you confess your sins you are forgiven by our God who first called you to be holy. As a called

servant of the Word and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GREETING

P: Grace and peace to you from Him who is, and who was, and who is to come and from the seven spirits before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the first born from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to Him be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

INTROIT

P: These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

C: In you, O Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

P: Since you are my rock and my fortress, for the sake of your name lead and guide me.

C: Into your hands I commit my spirit; redeem me, O Lord, the God of truth.

All: 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.

P: These are they who have come out of the great tribulation;

C: they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

HYMN OF PRAISE *From All That Dwell Below the Skies #816*

COLLECT

P: Heavenly Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism, You have redeemed Your people, eternally binding us to the Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Keep us mindful of our Baptismal grace that we may live out our daily life, confident of our eternal salvation through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Sunday School Sings! Grades 1-6 will sing this morning at the end of the 8:00 service and beginning of the 10:30 service. Please have children meet in the fireside room at 8:45.

Bible Study: We will conclude our weekly Bible study on Luke this Wednesday at 9:00. Thank you to Connie Markquart for leading this weekly study!

Bible Knowledge Bowl for our 3rd-6th graders is today during the Sunday school hour.

LWML will hold their November meeting on Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.

Planning Council (board chairpersons and officers) is scheduled to meet on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Sr. High FFF Night is November 17, 6:00 p.m. Bowling is on the agenda. All Sr. High youth are invited to attend!

Save The Date

Sunday School Christmas Program
Wednesday, December 15 @ 6:00 p.m.
More info to come

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes: We will participate in the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes again this year. Donated items can be left in containers in the front entry through Nov. 19. A list of acceptable items is on poster by containers and also has been included in the newsletter.

Envelope Fund Raiser: Our Sr. High Food.Fun.Faith have been keeping busy....the next project they have is their envelope fundraiser. They will be introducing this during both the services today.

Turkey Dinner: St. Paul's UCC invite you to their turkey dinner fundraiser today from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

SHARING OF PEACE

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

C: **And also with you.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee” #632

“Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise” #680

“How Great Thou Art” #801

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGS GRADES 1-6 (8:00 Service)

BENEDICTION

P: Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed. As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as He who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN “For All The Saints” vs. 5-8 #677

WORD

FIRST READING *Revelation 7:9-17*

⁹After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.” ¹¹All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying:

“Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”

¹³Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?”

¹⁴I answered, “Sir, you know.”

And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵Therefore, “they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. ¹⁶Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE / *John 3:1-3*

How great is the love the Father has lavished on 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. ²Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 5:1-12*

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ²and he began to teach them, saying:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ⁷Blessed

are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. ⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ⁹Blessed are the peacemakers, for they

will be called sons of God. ¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely

say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they per-

secuted the prophets who were before you.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

THE LIFE EVERLASTING

(5th Part of the 3rd Article of Apostles' Creed)

P: To whom does God give eternal life?

C: God gives eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

P: God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

(John 3:16)

C: For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world but to save the world through Him. (John 3:17)

P: At the time of death, the soul of the believer is immediately with Christ in heaven.

C: I tell you the truth, today you will be with Me in paradise. (Luke 23:43)

P: At the Last Day the believers, in both body and soul, will begin the full enjoyment of being with Christ forever.

C: You will fill me with joy in Your presence, with eternal pleasures at Your right hand. (Psalm 16:11)

with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore with saints and angels and with all the white-robed company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Sabbath. 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

1st Petition of the Lord' Prayer

P: Hallowed be Thy name. What does this mean?

C: God's name is certainly holy itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

P: How is God's name kept holy?

C: God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, are the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this heavenly Father!

The Second Petition of the Lord's Prayer

P: Thy kingdom come. What does this mean?

C: The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

P: How does God's kingdom come?

C: God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

P: Saints of God, rejoice for the Lord has chosen you and given you salvation.

C: Praise Him, all you saints.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for the governments of the world. Give to them wisdom and fairness as they deal with all people. Call all leaders to serve You according to the authority You have given to them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for those in need. We lift up before you the sick and shut-ins. We pray for those who need care and healing...(*prayers for hurting saints*). Lord, we look to You to answer us according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for those who are grieving over the passing of their dear loved ones. We pray for the families of Ardis Broolsma, Darlene Roebbeke, Bruce Behne and Leona Van Hove all called to their eternal rest in these last days. Dear Lord, draw them near to you and to one another through faith and love as we all look forward to the happy reunion that awaits us in Heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Look with compassion upon all Your saints who are gathered here in this place. We pray for Your guidance and direction in our daily lives. We pray that You would bless us in all we do as we look to You. All this we ask through our Savior, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you, His saints.

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 Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who, in the multitude of Your saints, did surround us

SERMON HYMN "Jerusalem the Golden" #672

SERMON "The Joys That Await Us In Heaven"

GATHERING OF THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN "Children of the Heavenly Father" #725

COMMEMORATION

P: With God's people throughout the New Testament Church we remember this day all those who have finished the race and have kept the faith. We especially note this day those who have gone to the Church Triumphant during the days of this last year. This morning we will toll the bell for each one of our members whom the Lord has called home to glory. Following the naming of each of our brothers in sisters in Christ we will toll the bell seven times for all whom are in Church Triumphant. **Georgia Lee Holtz, Terri Leigh Ringnell, Nathan Raymond Behne, Paul Leonard Anderson, Harvey Leroy Sathoff, Joanne Rose Sathoff, Helen Barbara Roebbeke, Darvin Fay Roebbeke, Robert Eugene Broolsma, Joan Lois Hartke, Patricia Marie Hanson, Robert Birney Hoffmeyer, Caroline Flohre, Carroll Dean Behne, Lois Mae Anderson, Clifford Rhinehart Meyer, Beulah Doris Erickson, Ardis Ann Broolsma, Darlene Ruth Roebbeke.** Let us pray: It is with thanksgiving that we remember the names of these faithful servants in Christ. They, even now, enjoy the heavenly crown given to them by You, gracious God. It is with this certainty that we are able to follow in their example. Teach us to serve You in all the ways You call us to. Give to us the spirit of thanksgiving as we serve You, knowing that when we are called to our eternal rest You will be able to say of us, "Well done, good and faithful servant." In Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We pray for those around us that they, too, may be called to be holy saints. Use us as Your instruments to bring the Word of Your grace to them. Lord, in Your mercy,