

Welcome to
Luther Memorial Church
of the Erie Lutheran Parish



3 NOVEMBER 2019
All Saints Sunday

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In the assembly today we give thanks for all the saints “who from their labors rest,” who have fought the good fight, who have gained the crown. In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of the Lord Jesus in today’s gospel. Recalling that we have been sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior’s body and blood, we keep on keeping on as God gives us breath, to the praise of God’s glory.

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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Holy Communion • Setting II • 10:30

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Luther Memorial is Christ's church that brings its ministry to northwest Pennsylvania within the context of its Lutheran heritage.

As a church that ministers to the community, it seeks to be an inclusive congregation providing a welcoming environment for all to worship, learn, and enhance both personal spiritual growth and fellowship.

GATHERING – “The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.”

PRELUDE – “For All the Saints”

Benjamin Culli, David Cherwien

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS 1 John 1: 8-9

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who calls us into an everlasting hope,
who guides us to springs of the water of life,
who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

C **Amen.**

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P One with the communion of saints in all times and places,
let us now confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

P O God, our merciful redeemer,
C **we confess the ways we live only for ourselves.**
We fail to see you in our neighbor's face.
We turn our ears from voices that cry out.
We pass by the hungry and the oppressed.
In your great mercy, forgive our sin
and strengthen us for service to all in need;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ died for us,
and for ☩ his sake,
God forgives us all our sin.
Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad,
beloved children of God.

C **Amen.**

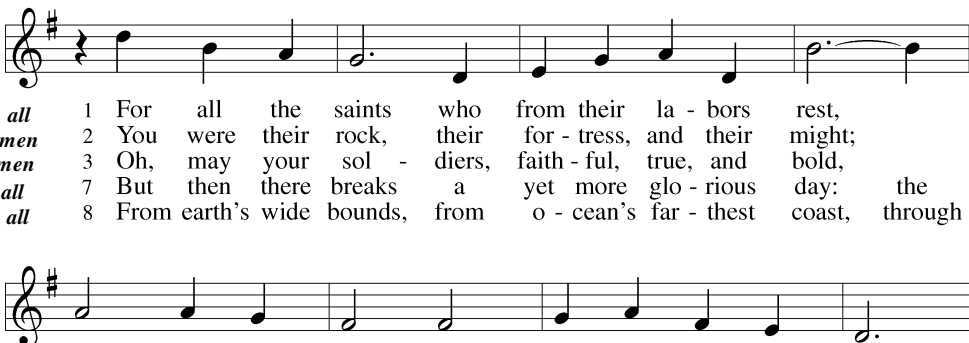
*Please turn and reverence the cross of Christ.
As the cross passes you, turn and face the cross as it is carried to the chancel.*

The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.

ENTRANCE HYMN

LBW 174

For All the Saints



The musical notation is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a range of one octave. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words hyphenated across lines. The first line of music corresponds to the first line of lyrics, and the second line of music corresponds to the second line of lyrics.

all 1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,
women 2 You were their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
men 3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,
all 7 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the
all 8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through

all who by faith be - fore the world con - fessed,
you, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old
saints . . . tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray;
gates . . . of pearl streams in the count - less host,

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your name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 you, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 and win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 the King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



women 4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine,
men 5 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
choir 6 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;



we fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine;
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song,
 soon, soon to faith - ful war - riors comes their rest;



yet all are one with - in your great de - sign.
 and hearts are brave a - gain and arms are strong.
 sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.
 Music: SINE NOMINE, R. Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

GREETING 2 Corinthians 13:14

P From the one who is and who was and who will come,
 and from Jesus Christ, the first fruits of the resurrection,

grace and peace be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE *Luke 17:13*



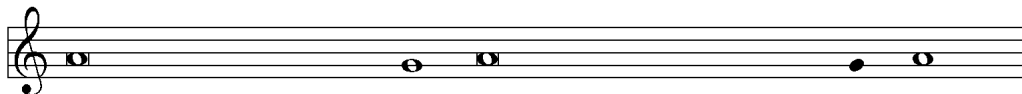
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



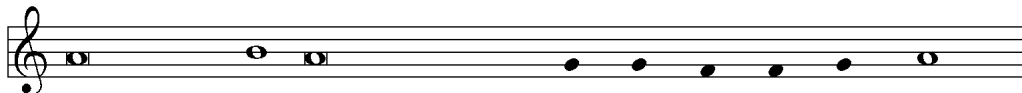
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE *Luke 2:14*



A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

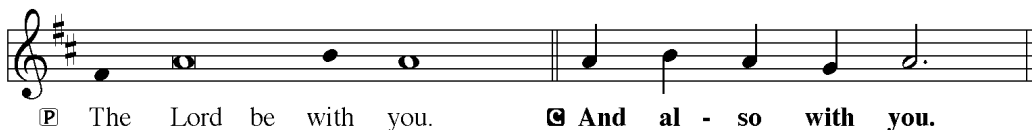


you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

PRAYER OF THE DAY *Ruth 2:4*



P Let us pray,

C 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.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON AND DISMISSAL FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(Children 2 years old through sixth grade may join their teachers at the side doorway to exit for Children's Church.)



WORD – “God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song.”

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts serves to proclaim the message that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

¹In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷“As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.”

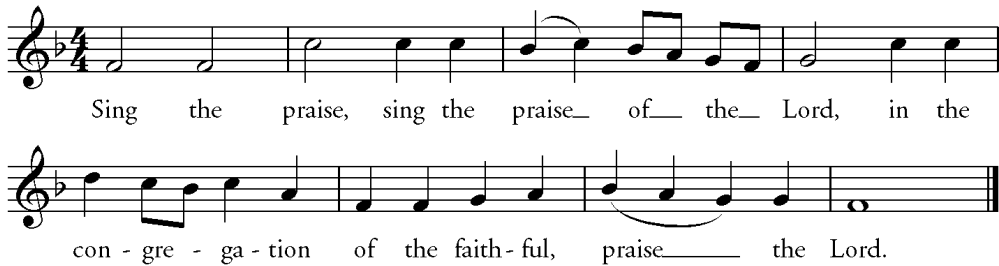
L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*After the hopeful words in verses 1-5, the psalm changes in verses 6-9 with challenging and stark words.
Yet these verses do not call for vengeance, but that justice must be done.
This psalm reflects the struggle in every age to temper justice with mercy.*

PSALM: Psalm 149

Refrain: *Sung once by the choir, then repeated by the congregation and sung where indicated by R.*



- ¹Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song,
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- ²Let Israel rejoice in his maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
- ³Let them praise his Name in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
- ⁴For the Lord takes pleasure in his people
and adorns the poor with victory.
- ⁵Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful on their beds. **R**
- ⁶Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand,
- ⁷to wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples,
- ⁸to bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron,
- ⁹to inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah! **R**

After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, Paul prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the

gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit;
¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. >

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Refrain: *The "Alleluias" are sung once by the choir, repeated by the congregation, and repeated after the verse.*



*They are before the throne of God, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
(Revelation 7:15)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust, even to enemies and outsiders.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

²⁰Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now,

for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

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²²“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷“But I say listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Coleman

Please stand as you are able.



This Swedish hymn was one of seventy written in the last year of the poet's life. It was made known in the United States by the St. Olaf College Choir, and its popularity may be measured by the seven different translations which have appeared in Lutheran hymnals. The tune is a folk melody very popular in Norway and known by all school children.

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW 314

Who Is This Host Arrayed in White



1 Who is this host ar - rayed in white like thou - sand snow - clad
 2 On earth their work was not thought wise, but see them now in
 3 O bless - ed saints, now take your rest; a thou - sand times shall



moun - tains bright, that stands with palms and sings its psalms be -
 heav - en's eyes; be - fore God's throne of pre - cious stone they
 you be blest for keep - ing faith firm un - to death and



fore the throne of light? These are the saints who
 shout their vic - t'ry cries. On earth they wept through
 scorn - ing world - ly trust. For now you live at



kept God's word; they are the hon - ored of the Lord. He
 bit - ter years; now God has wiped a - way their tears, trans -
 home with God and har - vest seeds once cast a - broad in




is their prince who drowned their sins, so they were cleansed, re -
 formed their strife to heav'n - ly life, and freed them from their
 tears and sighs. See with new eyes the pat - tern in the



stored. They now serve God both day and night; they
 fears. For now they have the best at last; they
 seed. The myr - iad an - gels raise their song. O

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sing their songs in end - less light. Their an - thems ring when
keep their sweet e - ter - nal feast. At God's right hand our
saints, sing with that hap - py throng; lift up one voice; let

they all sing with an - gels shin - ing bright.
Lord com-mands; he is both host and guest.
heav'n re - joice in our Re - deem - er's song!

Text: Hans A. Brorson, 1694–1764; tr. Gracia Grindal, b. 1943
Music: DEN STORE HVIDE FLOK. Norwegian folk tune, 17th cent.

NICENE CREED

- C We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
- We 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.**
- We 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.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Please be seated.

REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

A Eternal God, the Alpha and Omega, we rejoice in the lives of those you have gathered into your holy city. We now name them, trusting they gather in your presence, around your holy throne.

ALAN JOHNSON
ELEANOR MAAS
SHIRLEY WOLFE
ROSE WEBER
CHET BATTERSBY
RICHARD JAY
DEBRA HOWARD
ALICE BATTERSBY
JAMES ARNOLD
HAROLD DOWNEY
JOSEPH MONTERO
GLORIA ASHBY
NORMAN LEE
MARLENE HARBAUGH
ARTHUR JOHNSON
RICHARD SEIDEL
ELEANORE UGLOW
KENT SMITH
KEVIN CHADWICK

JAIME ROBLES MONTERO
DORIS COONEY
EVELYN MICHAEL
KATHLEEN CANCELLA
JOAN RAGEN
HOLLY STEPHAN
EDWINA GESLER
NANCY MILLER
JOHN MORIARTY
JOHN SWENSON
GREGORY MICHEL
JANICE MULDER
LILLIE BROWN
BARBARA REESE
LORETTA NIEMI
HILDEGARD HOWER
JANE RIDDLE
BRADLEY SCHLECHT

Keep us in loving communion with them until we are gathered into the company of all the saints around your throne. Give family and friends of these your saints comfort and peace on this day, and may they find hope in the promise of the resurrection.

C **Amen.**

THE PRAYERS *1 Timothy 2:1*

A United into one by the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with all God's saints for healing, wholeness, and peace in all the earth.

A brief silence.

A God of glory, we ask your blessing for all chaplains who serve in nursing homes and hospitals. Grant them wisdom and compassion as they embody your grace in the forgotten places of this world. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A We seek your guidance in following your call to love our enemies, to bless those who curse us, to turn the other cheek, and to give to all who ask of us. Always remind us of these very hard teachings and when we do these things, we know you are always present with us. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

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A We seek your peace and comfort for the family and friends of the saints we have named and remember today. Only they and you know their grief and deep sense of loss. Remind them today, through the Gospel and this ancient liturgy that their loved ones are in your glorious presence and are at peace. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A We seek your healing for all who struggle with addiction, mental illness, physical ailment, or spiritual distress. Fill them with your abundant love, especially those names on our prayer list and those names we offer to you out loud or silently in our hearts..... Heal them in the name of Jesus. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A We ask your blessing for our country as we approach Election Day. May your guidance, wisdom and love enter into our hearts, and may you heal this nation by putting bitterness and fear aside. We give you thanks for our nation and the freedoms you have given us. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A We give you thanks for all the saints who died in your loving care, especially Rita Reichard and Robert Young. Wipe away our tears of sorrow and mourning, and when we die, bring us into the church triumphant. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into your care, Alpha and Omega, we entrust all for whom we pray. Be with us now and always, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** *Romans 16:16*

Please be seated.

MEAL – “God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.”

THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED *Psalm 116:12*

An Individual Silent Prayer as We Prepare to Make our Offering:

“Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.”

Acts 2: 43-47



ANTHEM – "As We Gather at Your Table"

Carl P. Daw / K. Lee Scott

*As we gather at your Table, as we listen to your Word,
Help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.*

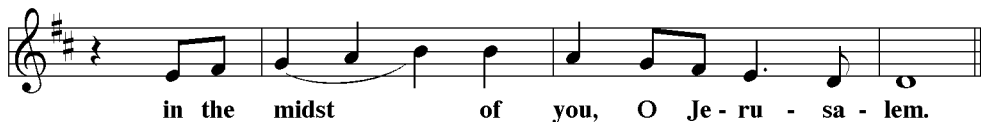
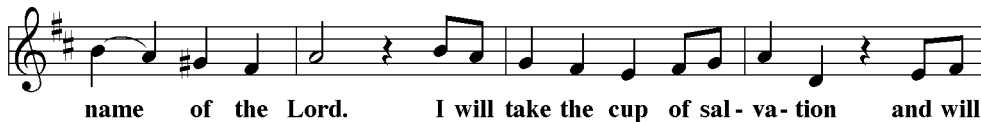
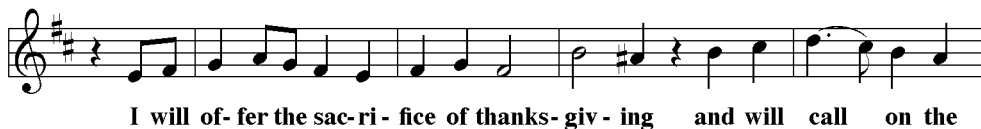
*Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
Teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.*

*Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
Send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
May we still behold your image in the world you died to save.*

*Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast,
Where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy,
As we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.*

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY



OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A God our creator,
you give us all we are, all we have,
all we bring, and all we need.
Draw us together around your table with all your saints
on earth and in your eternal home.
Let us eat and drink your promise of new life,
that we might be your promise to the world,
spoken in Jesus' name.
- C **Amen.**



GREAT THANKSGIVING *Matthew 21:9*

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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 indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. In the blessedness of your saints you have given us a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling; that moved by their witness and supported by their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and with them receive the

unfading crown of glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn: >

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P We gather at this table, which is God's table.
C **The table has been set long before we were born.**
P There are places for all who have gone before us.
C **We take their hands as we approach to be received.**
P We lift up the memories of loved ones we no longer see.
C **We open our hearts to the presence of loved ones who are with God,
for God is present with us.**
P This is the table of reconciliation, of forgiveness, of restoration.
C **This is the table for all the saints of God.**
P Holy, O God of all the ages,
all that is, is yours.
Past and present, and future,
your word brings life beyond mortal understanding.

Healing the sick, embracing the poor, breathing life into the dead:
redefining freedom, you sent your Son who called to us from a cross,
that the worst of our fears would be removed.

In the night in which he was betrayed
our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks,
broke it and gave it to his disciples saying,
"Take and eat, this is my body given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me."

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Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it to all to drink saying,
"Take and drink, this cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this in remembrance of me."

Send your Spirit upon us now,
that with this bread and cup we stand before you.
Remake us in the strength of your love,
so that with all the faithful who now reign with you,
we would raise our voices in praise.

C **Amen.**

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. *Matthew 6:9***

AGNUS DEI



☐ 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, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P Share in the inheritance of all the saints.
Be fed at the table prepared for you.
- C **Amen.**

The congregation is seated.

Today's service is a celebration of Holy Communion. We believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the gifts of bread and wine, bringing forgiveness of sins and new life to all who receive this sacrament. All baptized Christians who come at our Lord's invitation are welcome at His table of grace.

If you are not going to receive Holy Communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.

COMMUNION John 1:29

The author and composer of this hymn wrote it near the end of the Civil War, during a hot summer when he was bodily exhausted. The "words began to construct themselves:" as he wondered why so many hymns spoke of the "river of death". The questions appear in the text, the answer in the chorus. "The music came with the hymn," he said.

HYMN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION

WOV 690

Shall We Gather at the River




- 1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;




with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv - er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv - er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899
 Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
 C **Amen.**


Care Ministers please come forward to the altar during the singing of the Post-Communion Canticle.

Text for this hymn comes from the pen of an English priest, later consecrated a bishop in Ireland, and the author of numerous books of sacred verse. The tune is the work of an organist and composer in Newark, New Jersey.


POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

LBW 176

For All Your Saints, O Lord



1 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live,
 2 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die,
 3 They all in life and death, with you, their Lord, in view,
 4 For this, your name we bless and hum - bly pray a - new
 5 To God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, ev - er blest,



who fol - lowed you, o - beyed, a - dored, our grate - ful hymn re - ceive.
 who count - ed you their great re - ward, ac - cept our thank - ful cry.
 learned from your Ho - ly Spir - it's breath to suf - fer and to do.
 that we like them in ho - li - ness may live and die in you.
 the One in Three, the Three in One, be end - less praise ad - dressed.

Text: Richard Mant, 1776–1848, alt.
 Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- A Sovereign God,
in this meal you give us a foretaste
of the great feast to come.
Keep us faithful to you,
that we, with all your saints,
may at length celebrate
the marriage feast of the Lamb,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C **Amen.**

SENDING – “God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.”

SENDING OF COMMUNION CARE MINISTERS

- P Gracious God,
you took the form of a servant,
offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength
in a sick and hurting world.
Anoint with a servant heart, these your saints,
who take your word and sacrament
to our sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound,
and through our fellowship with them, let them receive peace.
Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope
for all who feast on your body and blood
and receive your words of new life.
May we all recognize that we have a place and a home
in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C **Amen.**

BLESSING *Numbers 6:24-26*

- P The love of God surround you;
the grace of ☩ Christ release you;
and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength,
now and forevermore.
- C **Amen.**

DISMISSAL *Luke 7:50*

- A Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE – "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

Seth Bingham

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— SERVING TODAY —

GREETER – Heidi Heilman

ACOLYTES – Jaden & Jeana Williams

ASSISTANT MINISTER – Diane Banks

LECTOR – Ann Flick

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS – Josh Graffius, Dave Griswold, Linda Young

ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Dahlstrand, Jean Tatar

HOSPITALITY – Shirley & Montie Collier

HEAD USHER – John Steff



VISITORS: If you would like more information about Luther Memorial Church, you are welcome to visit with Shirley and Montie Collier in the Narthex (front entrance) or by the pulpit side exit this morning.

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Dorothy Youngman.

Lectern flowers and bulletins are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Robert Young, who would have been 83 on November 5, by his family.

Columbarium flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving remembrance of His true and faithful servant, Rita Reichard, by the Halttunen/Kent family.

Our love and sympathy is with the family and friends of Evelyn Michael. Evelyn died Sunday, October 27. Pastor Coleman officiated at her funeral service on Tuesday, October 29.

WELCOME

Nursery care is available during the 10:30am worship for young children. Nursery supervisor, Anna Keller, and assistants, Emma Coleman and Sutton Rowland, welcome children ages 3 and younger to our nursery. Should you choose to utilize this service please bring your child(ren) to the nursery located on the lower level of the building.

Children's Church help is always welcome. Substitute teachers to fill in when necessary are appreciated. Please contact the church office or see Beth Keller if you would like to volunteer. Thank you.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Autumn coffee hour will be enjoyed by all following the 8:15 and 10:30 services this morning. Please join us in the parlor for some delicious treats. Thank you to our Congregational Life Committee for this time of fellowship.

Acolyte Training will be offered this morning immediately following the 10:30am service. Youth participation makes our worship services very meaningful. Please encourage your child to help serve the Lord and share their gifts within this community.

Recharge contemporary service will be held today from 4:00-6:00pm. We gather from 4:00-5:00pm for a wonderful meal, enjoy each other's company and have fun with games and activities. You are welcome to bring a dish to share. A worship service is held from 5:00-6:00pm in our "upper" room on the 5th floor. LM Recharge is held the first Sunday of each month.

Bethany Bash Bingo will be held this afternoon at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2216 Peach Street. Doors open at 1:00pm; Bingo fun begins at 2:00pm with prizes of gift cards and two cash jackpots. Tickets are \$20 each or 2 for \$30, and this also includes food. One jackpot game will include cash plus a "Night on the Town" prize (one night hotel stay, dinner for two and tickets to a show). Purchase tickets online at www.bethanyoutreachcenter.org, click "Donate" and enter Tickets under "Write a Note". Tickets may also be purchased by contacting BOC at 456-6254 or mabel@bethanyoutreachcenter.org.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Next Sunday at 4:00 pm, the LM Concert Series will present a **Bach Cantata Vespers** service. We will perform J. S. Bach's Cantata #99 - *Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan* ("What God does, that is done well") written by Bach in Leipzig in 1724. In addition to the cantata, other psalms, hymns and motets will be sung, accompanied by a small chamber orchestra. Three of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's "Church Sonatas" for organ and string orchestra will be performed for the prelude. We will also sing Martin Luther's catechismal hymn on the "Our Father" - each verse expounding on an individual line of the *Lord's Prayer* and interspersed with instrumental settings of the chorale tune. Please mark your calendars and invite family and friends to join you for this meditative evening service of word, music and prayer. If you would like to help with the reception following or by greeting our guests, please contact Walt Gaber (WaltGaber@gmail.com, 814-602-2755) or any choir member this week.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

New Member Class will be offered Sunday, November 17 at 11:45 in Faith Chapel. New Members will be received on Sunday, December 1. If you have any questions, you are welcome to speak with Pastor Coleman or call the church office.

Adult Spiritual Growth gathers on Sundays from 9:15 to 10:15am in the downstairs fellowship hall. Remember we never stop growing and learning about our faith.

Sunday	Topic
11/3/2019	Jesus in Conversation with Three Women: A Relational Prophet
11/10/2019	The Prophets - Hosea
11/17/2019	The Final Judgement - What the Bible Doesn't Say About Eternal Punishment
11/24/2019	The Prophets - Isaiah

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH WEBSITE

Please note that our church website maintains an up to date calendar for all church events, newsletters for the church and school, synod and Inter-Church Ministries. So if you are ever wondering what is happening on a particular day, please use this important resource. The website also provides a way to make contributions via Pay-Pal if electronic giving is easier for you. Finally, the readings, sermon and hymn of the date for the first Sunday of the month worship service is posted along with a recently updated photo, phone and address directory. Both of these files are password protected and the password for both is **erielutherans**. Both the worship recording and photo, phone and address directory can be found under the “Resources” tab of the webpage. In the not too distant future, we will be taking pictures again for people we missed last time.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us for Super Wednesday on November 6! Our evening begins with a meal at 5:30pm followed by faith conversations and prayer. Kids will have time together for activities with Sarah Prylinski and Beth Keller. This is a relaxed and multi-generational event and exists to more deeply form community. You need to eat anyway, so please join us. The main dish and beverage is provided. If you are able, you may bring a dish to share.

Magic Fingers Grace Group will meet Tuesday, November 12, at 10:00am in the parlor. Join us for a morning of friendships and laughter as we have a wonderful time knitting and doing yarn projects together. If you don't know how to knit, we'd love to teach you. For more information, please contact Jan MacInnes or the church office.

OWLS will gather for lunch at the Shrine Club, 2525 West 38th Street, on Wednesday, November 13 at 11:30am. Our meal will be served in the room with the large windows so we can enjoy the outdoor scenery. Please RSVP to Jan MacInnes or the church office by Friday, November 8.

Soup & Salad Luncheon will be served Sunday, November 17 in fellowship hall following the 10:30am service. It's that time of year to warm up with some delicious soup.

Monastery of the Heart will meet Tuesday, November 19 at 11:00am in the parlor. We continue with our study on prayer using the book *"The Breath of the Soul, Reflections on Prayer"* by Joan Chittister as our guide. Please contact Linda Graffius with any questions.

Please join us for a special holiday coffee hour, sponsored by our Congregational Life Committee, in the parlor following each worship service on Sunday, December 1. Gather with friends and begin the holidays with delicious treats. If you would like to share your Christmas baking; donations of baked goods would be appreciated.

HOLIDAY ORDERS

Stock up on your holiday desserts. Pies, cheesecakes, a variety of cookie dough flavors, calzones and pepperoni balls are available to order through Sunday, November 10. Orders may be picked up at church on Sunday, November 17. These goodies are from our local Stanganelli's so we know they're delicious. Order forms are located in the church and school offices and on the table below the video screen.

RADA orders are being accepted until Tuesday, November 5 by the Women of the ELCA. Catalogs are available on the table under the video screen. Please contact Mary Mumford or Pat Young for information.

Pampered Chef fundraiser to benefit Luther Memorial Academy will be held Saturday, December 7 (time to be announced) in the church parlor. Orders may be placed online or by completing an order form and turning this in to the church or school office. All orders must be received by December 7 and will be delivered in time for Christmas. The online ordering link is www.pamperedchef.com/party/luthermemorial. Please see Roberta Lobaugh or contact the church office with any questions.

LUTHER MEMORIAL ACADEMY

Donations of Christmas trees are needed for LMA for their first Festival of Trees Celebration in December. Eight to nine trees are needed, each being 5 to 6 feet tall. If you would like to donate a tree for their celebration, you are welcome to drop it off in the church or school office. You are welcome to call the office with any questions. Thank you.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Meals on Wheels will be holding a FREE tasting event on Monday, November 4 from 4:00-5:30pm at Lecom Senior Living Center, 5535 Peach Street, for any potential clients, caregivers, social workers or caseworkers. Meet the chef and sample typical, tasty and nutritionally balanced meals. RSVP's are necessary by October 27; please call 452-6930 or email wendy@mealsonwheelserie.org.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE AND HELP

Family Christmas Dinner will be served to area neighbors on Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00pm at the Bethesda Center, 18th and Walnut Street. This will be the 21st year that St. Matthew's began the tradition of serving a Christmas dinner to those in need, and we are now sharing in that Christmas spirit. Please volunteer to help by signing the sheet on the table under the video screen or contact the church office. Cookies are also needed for dessert, and you may indicate on the sign-up sheet if you would like to donate cookies. Approximately 120 people attend this dinner. Thank you.

Donations for care packages for residents at our VA Hospital in Erie will be collected through Sunday, December 8 and delivered for Christmas. Donations and cards may be placed in the marked box in the parlor area. A list of needed items is located near the box.

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, November 23 at the Bethany Outreach Center to assist with the annual Turkey Drive. Families that we help throughout the year will be given turkeys and food to prepare a Thanksgiving dinner. Approximately 50 volunteers are needed. Please contact Mabel at 456-6254 or www.bethanyoutreachcenter.org if you would like to help with one of the shifts: Shift 1: 7:30-10:15am (unload truck, set-up/give away); Shift 2: 10:15am-1:00pm (give away continued/cleanup); MVP Shift: 7:30am-1:00pm.

Help is needed at the Bethany Outreach Center to pick up donated food on Mondays or Thursdays at 9:00am from the Country Fair on East 38th and McClelland. Also, Bethany is in need of help with the Clothes Closet on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you are considering helping or need more information to make a decision, please contact Pastor Coleman.

Bethany Storytime program will continue each Saturday through November 16 from 10:00am-12:00 noon at the Bethany Outreach Center, 254 East 10th Street. This six-week program for children ages 3–10 includes reading stories, and doing crafts and other educational activities with them. If you would like to help our children with this please contact Eric Hedlund by email at eric@bethanyoutreachcenter.org or by phone at 814-898-1233

Pop Tab Challenge is an easy way to help support the Ronald McDonald House. Each time you open a soft drink, soup can, etc., save that pop tab and drop them in our collection box. The monies raised through recycling pop tabs helps pay for families and children to stay at the House while their child is receiving medical treatment. Join us as we support the Thrivent Member Network's Pop Tab Collection Challenge. The goal is 1 million between now and December 1, 2019.

Pennies for Poverty Containers (sponsored by Women of the ELCA) are placed in the doors of Faith Chapel and the main church at Luther Memorial. Offerings benefit women and children in crisis.

CALENDAR

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4	6:00pm	Rehearsal for Bach
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5	5:30pm	Endowment Committee
	7:00pm	Women of the ELCA
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6	5:30pm	Super Wednesday
	7:00pm	Worship & Music
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7	5:30pm	Legos
	6:00pm	Handbells
	7:00pm	Choir
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8	6:30pm	Club 50
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9	9:00am	Rehearsal for Bach
	9:00am	Sorority Meeting
	10:30am	Legos
	6:00pm	Confirmation class

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2019

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pastor William E. Coleman will be preaching at the 8:15am service in Faith Chapel and the 10:30am service in the main church.

Adult Spiritual Growth class will meet at 9:15am

Bach Cantata Vespers will be offered at 4:00pm; reception following.

ASSISTANTS IN WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 10, 2019

Acolytes	10:30am	Evelynn & Marian Graffius
Assistant Minister	8:15am	John Tell
	10:30am	Pat Bellingham
Communion Assistants	10:30am	Stan Rose, Kathy Weisman
Altar Guild	8:15am	Helen Collins
	10:30am	Dave Griswold
Hospitality	8:15am	Jan MacInnes
	10:30am	Linda & Jeff Swanson
Counters		Barbara Chaffee, Carter Solt

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Our Members:

Ella Moore & family	Laura Beth Kraut	Mike Daniels	Jessica Copfer
Linda Soles	Dorothy Overberg	Sutton Rowland	Roberta Braendel
Judy & Robert Crissman	Abbie Treiber	David Ruler	Ken Kraut
Wendy Kern & family	Tom Schlecht & family	Amy Scott & family	Sally Allen
Juliet Woodward	Evelyn Michael family	Sue Cappelletty	

Friends and Family:

Larry Chadwick	Patty Chadwick	Jackie Barber	Bobbi MacInnes
Patrice DiTullio	Jim Kraut	Larry E.	Joe S.
John & Naomi Howard	Greg Agens	Tim Zuzula	Jessica B.
Madison & family	Ed Hokaj	Louise Kutruff	Moore family
Linda Sutto	Linda Grimm	Amanda Toms	Olivia Foreman
Carol & Frank Vona	Edna Pett	Mary Ellen Monjera	Joyce Lewis
Katrina Foltz	Jeff F.	Kimberly Ferry	Tim Bodamer
Seamus Saeurs	Brandon Jones	Larry & Carlene Bolla	Denise Fulton
Mitch Dougan	Julie Pond	Janie Moran	Debbie S.
Paul Spierling	Beth G.	Joan Torrelli	Terry W.
John & Pat Hubbard	Mary Kohler	Laurie Pietrusiewicz	Laura Bonner
Beau Hilbert	Bill	John Shafer	Norman Jensen
Baby Mike Campbell	Martha & Tom	Cynthi Post	Peg Beute
Kim Hunkins	Betsy Kohn	Scott Mesick	Sue Gerke
Avis	Tom Kraut	Jim Wolf	Rich Braendel, II
Virginia Kochanczyk	Clint & Casey	Linda	Joyce DiMichele
Michael Stickner	Luna Lex	Jeff F.	Rietter Lynde
Carol Adams	Bonnie Blenman	Michael Gohl	Ellen Dagon
Erin McCarty family	Jayne Simon	Priscilla & Ralph Walter	Frank Scozzie
Brandon & Stacey Campbell	Allen Swab	Dan Elsasser	Bob Weisman
Ron Lester	Sally Jones	Heather D.	Stephany Bourne
Jay Henry			

Our Military Service Men & Women:

Michael Stickner	Mike Lytle	Stephen Benacci	Caleb DiCenzo
Andrew Watson	Ben Dixon		