



Sunday, November 3, 2024

All Saints Day

Service Theme

LIVE KNOWING LIFE ONLY GETS BETTER

“It will get better.” We say that to try to comfort someone who is having a bad day (or maybe a whole string of bad days). Perhaps tomorrow will be better. But perhaps it’s worse. In this life, there really are no guarantees that things will get better. That isn’t the case with the life that is to come. That life isn’t just going to be better. It will be perfect. Since the seventh century, Christians have marked a day to celebrate those who have died in faith and now realize the perfect joys of heaven. It is called “All Saints’ Day.” We thank God for bringing our Christian loved ones out of the troubles and turmoil of this world and into eternal bliss and glory. And we ask God to preserve us in our faith so that we might one day join the saints in that place where life is far more than better.

622 For Many Years, O God of Grace



1 For man - y years, O God of grace, This church has
 2 Here chil - dren have been born a - new; Their par - ents
 3 Here when the mar - riage vows were made, Both bride and



been your dwell - ing place And we your con - gre - ga - tion.
 brought them un - to you, Your prom - is - es con - fess - ing.
 bride - groom sought your aid, Your love their own tran - scend - ing.



Up - on the pre - cious cor - ner - stone Our faith is
 Here man - y found a ta - ble spread; They ate Christ's
 Here mourn - ers with their trou - bled hearts Have found the



built, and Christ a - lone Is still our one foun - da - tion.
 bod - y with the bread And drank the cup of bless - ing.
 peace your Word im - parts, The joy that has no end - ing.



To - day We pray: Let us greet you, Lord, and meet you
 To - day We pray: Ban - ish sad - ness, As with glad - ness
 To - day We pray: May the sto - ry of your glo - ry



Here with sing - ing. All our prais - es to you bring - ing.
 We a - dore you, Glad - ly wor - ship here be - fore you.
 Here re - sound - ing Be a song of grace a - bound - ing.

Order of Service

Divine Service 1

(From the Christian Worship Supplement)

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

Amen

Confession of Sins

Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



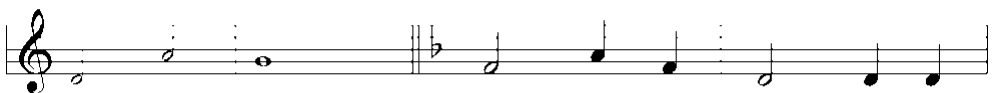
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



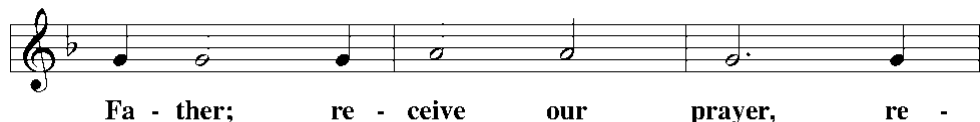
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us.



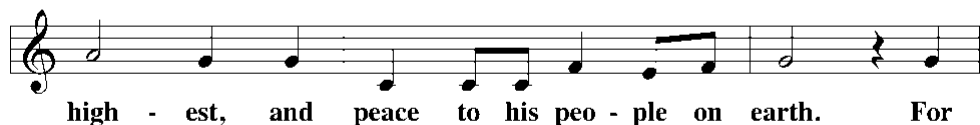
You are seated at the right hand of the



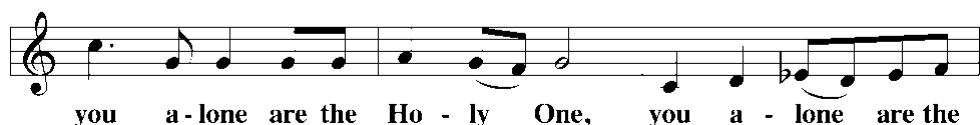
Fa-ther; receive our prayer, re-



ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God in the



high-est, and peace to his people on earth. For



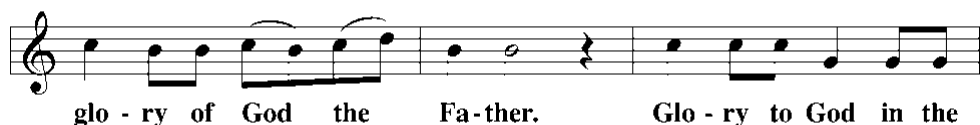
you alone are the Ho-ly One, you alone are the



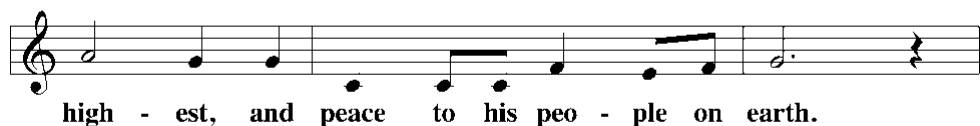
Lord, you alone are the Most High,



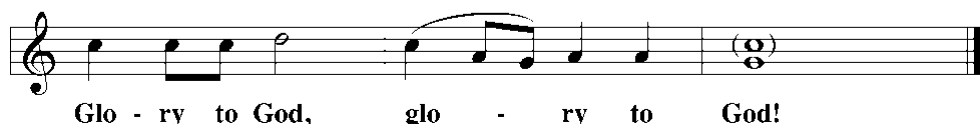
Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it in the



glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. Glo-ry to God in the



high-est, and peace to his people on earth.



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God!

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together into one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow the example of your blessed saints in lives of faith and willing service and with them at last inherit the inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Isaiah 65:17–25

The LORD promises to create a new earth for His people, where sin's curse will be removed forever.

¹⁷Watch this! I am about to create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered. They will not come to mind.

¹⁸Instead, rejoice and celebrate forever, because of what I am creating.

Watch this! I am about to create Jerusalem to be a source of gladness, and her people will be a source of joy.

¹⁹I also will be glad because of Jerusalem, and I will rejoice over my people. The sound of weeping will not be heard in her again, nor will the sound of crying.

²⁰There will never again be an infant there who lives for only a few days, or an elderly man who does not fill out all his days, for one who dies at a hundred will be considered a young man, and one who fails to attain the age of one hundred will be regarded as cursed.

²¹Then they will build houses and live in them. They will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They will not build a house and have another person live in it. They will not plant and have another person eat the crop, for the days of my people will be like the days of a tree, and my chosen ones will enjoy all the work of their hands.

²³They will not labor only to receive nothing, and they will not give birth to children doomed to disaster, for they will be offspring who are blessed by the LORD, and their descendants will be with them.

²⁴Then even before they call, I will answer. While they are still speaking, I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb will graze together, and lions will eat straw like cattle, but the serpent will eat dust as its food. They will not harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain, says the LORD.

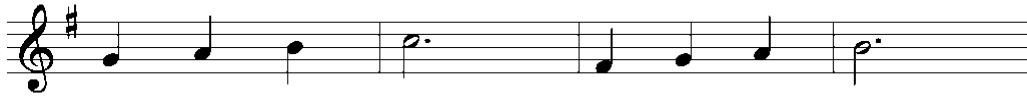
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

149A Sing to the LORD, Sing a New Song

Psalm 149A

Refrain



Sing to the LORD, sing a new song.



Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the LORD!

Verses



1 Sing praise to the LORD, come sing a new song;
 2 With tim - brel and harp, and joy - ful ac - claim,
 3 In glo - ry ex - ult, you saints of the LORD;
 4 For this is God's word: the saints shall not fail,



a - mid all the saints God's prais - es pro - long;
 with danc - ing and song give praise to God's name;
 with songs in the night high prais - es ac - cord;
 but o - ver the earth their faith shall pre - vail;



let Is - rael be glad in their mak - er and sing,
 for God in the faith - ful great plea - sure will seek,
 go forth in God's ser - vice, be strong in his might
 all king - doms and na - tions shall yield to their sword—



Refrain

let all Zi - on's peo - ple re - joice in their King.
 with robes of sal - va - tion a - dorn - ing the meek.
 to con - quer all e - vil and stand for the right.
 thus God shows great glo - ry, sing praise to the LORD.

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Second Reading

Revelation 20:4-6

St. John sees those who had been killed because of their faith in Christ now living and reigning with him in glory.

⁴Then I saw thrones, and those who were sitting on them were given the authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshipped the beast and his image, and they did not receive his mark on their forehead and on their hand. They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. ⁵(The rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years came to an end.) This is the first resurrection.

⁶Blessed and holy is the one who has a share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them. Instead they will be priests of God and of Christ. And they will reign with him for a thousand years.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Revelation 7:15



Refrain



Tone

They are before the throne of God
and serve him day and night in his temple.

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Gospel

John 11:32–44

Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

Jesus demonstrates his power over death.

³²When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in his spirit and troubled.

³⁴He asked, “Where have you laid him?”

They told him, “Lord, come and see.”

³⁵Jesus wept.

³⁶Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

³⁸Jesus was deeply moved again as he came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹“Take away the stone,” he said.

Martha, the dead man's sister, told him, “Lord, by this time there will be an odor, because it has been four days.”

⁴⁰Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?” ⁴¹So they took away the stone.

Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³After he said this, he shouted with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”

⁴⁴The man who had died came out with his feet and his hands bound with strips of linen and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus told them, “Loose him and let him go.”



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

883 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

CW 883



1 Be - hold a host, ar - rayed in white, like thou - sand
 2 De - spised and scorned, they so - journed here; but now, how
 3 O bless - ed saints in bright ar - ray, now safe - ly



snow - clad moun - tains bright! With palms they stand; who is
 glo - rious they ap - pear! Those mar - tyr's stand, a priest -
 home in end - less day, ex - tol the Lord, who with



this band be - fore the throne of light? These are the
 ly band, God's throne for - ev - er near. So oft in
 his Word sus - tained you on the way. The steep and

saints of glo - rious fame, who from the great af - flic - tion
 trou - bled days gone by, in an - guish they would weep and
 nar - row path you trod; you toiled and sowed the Word a -

came and in the flood of Je - sus' blood are cleansed from
 sigh; at home a - bove the God of love for - e'er their
 broad; re - joice and bring your fruits and sing be - fore the

guilt and blame. Now gath - ered in the ho - ly place,
 tears shall dry. They now en - joy the Sab - bath rest,
 throne of God. Swing high your palms, lift up your song,

their voic - es they in wor - ship raise; their an - thems
 the heav'n - ly ban - quet of the blest; the Lamb, their
 yes, make it myr - iad voic - es strong! Let heav - en

rise where God re - sides, mid an - gels' songs of praise.
 Lord, at fes - tive board him - self is host and guest.
 ring - to Christ the King all praise and thanks be - long!

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Sermon - Isaiah 65:17-25

Imagine what it will be like...

- 1) Unending joy!
- 2) No curse!
- 3) Perfect peace!

Nicene Creed

**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,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin
Mary, and became fully human.**

**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,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,**

who has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

Prayer of the Church

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

That great cloud of witnesses whose living trust in you, recorded in your Word, becomes an example for us to imitate and follow.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us your blessing.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

The reformers and confessors who faced the terror of church and empire but stood firm in your truth because they were moved by grace, empowered by faith, and guided by Scripture.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their courage.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Your faithful followers of every age—among them our parents and grandparents and our mentors and models—whom your Spirit called, gathered, enlightened, and sanctified to be your holy Church and by whose faithful words and deeds the gospel of your grace arrived also to us.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their resolve.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Those we have known who endured uncommon handicaps, chronic illnesses, and severe hardships yet followed you in simple faith and lived their lives with patience and persistence.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their joy.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Our sister in Christ, whose soul you have brought home to yourself, who is now at rest in your heavenly kingdom.

Mary Lamla (October 30, 2024)

We thank you for bringing her to faith, protecting her throughout his earthly life and delivering her to your side in glory.

Continue to comfort her families, and all families who lost loved ones this past year.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Our own loved ones whose memories still burn within our hearts, whom you have called in your good time from their labors in life to that life which knows no end.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their reward.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Holy Spirit, the Christian church is your creation. We give thanks to you that you have established and now preserved this congregation for 46 years.

All glory be to God on high! We pray that you will fill us with zeal for your Word and work. Bless our efforts to nourish believers through the proclamation of the forgiveness of sins Christ has won for all. Equip us with the eagerness to never stop inviting guests to the banquet of salvation. Cause our congregation to thrive in years to come, dear Lord, for the glory of your name and the salvation of souls.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

The Sacrament

Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is good and right so to do.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,
 God of 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my T body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

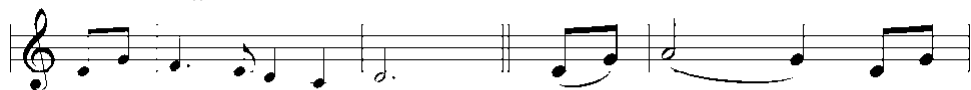
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my T blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei



O Christ, Lamb of



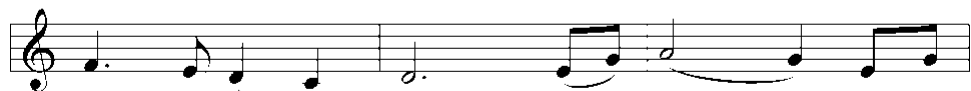
God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

Distribution

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



In peace, Lord, you let your



ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my



eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for



ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the



glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
And his mercy endures forever.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

Amen.

884 Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See

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Lord, when your glo - ry I shall see and taste your king-dom's
plea - sure, your blood my roy - al robe shall be, my
joy be - yond all mea - sure! When I ap - pear be - fore your
throne, your right - eous - ness shall be my crown; with
these I need not hide me. And there, in gar - ments rich - ly
wrought, as your own bride I shall be brought, to
stand in joy be - side in you.

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Announcements

Church Cleaners

November 10 – Simon // November 10 – Matthew

Barrhaven Christmas Parade

Divine Word is again entering a float in the Christmas Parade. In addition, this year we will be hosting an open house (from 5:30-7:30) at the church with hot chocolate, soup and caroling. There are lots of ways for you to join in this exciting outreach opportunity.

- 1) Help set up the float on Nov. 9 at 10 am.
- 2) Walk in the parade or ride on the float. Be part of the excitement of presenting the Christmas story to Barrhaven. Riders are in costume. Walkers hand out flyers and candy to the 1000s of spectators.
- 3) Be a warm, welcoming presence at church. Help prepare food. Sit and socialize.
- 4) Invite your friend and neighbor to watch the parade with you and come to church after for the open house. Take a bag from this summer to help you in your personal evangelism.
- 5) And of course, keep this outreach event in your prayers, that the Lord would bless our efforts to share the great love of our Saviour to our friends, neighbors and community.

DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

- Su (3)** 9:00 am **Sunday School / Bible Class**
10:30 am **Worship (with Communion)**
11:30 am Church Anniversary Potluck
3:00 pm **Worship in Poltimore**
- We (6) 4:00 pm Communicating Christ (BIC)
5:30 pm "Test the Spirits" (BIC)
- Th (7) 10:30 am Longfield Manor Devotion
6:00 pm Illumine (at St. Paul's)
6:30 pm Youth Confirmation (W)
- Fr (8) 10:00 am Visitation for Mary Lamla
11:00 am Mary Lamla's Christian Funeral
6:00 pm Friday Fellowship
- Sa (9) 9:00 am Parade Float Setup
- Su (10)** 9:00 am **Sunday School / Bible Class**
10:30 am **Worship**
11:30 am Coffee Fellowship
11:45 am Divine Sisters Meeting
- We (13) 4:00 pm Communicating Christ (BIC)
- Th (14) 6:00 pm Illumine (at St. Paul's)
- Fr (15) 3:00 pm Online Women's Bible Study: Romans
4:30 pm Confirmation (D)
- Sa (16) 12:00 pm WELS-Canada AGM
- Su (17)** 9:00 am **Sunday School / Bible Class**
10:30 am **Worship (with Communion)**
11:30 am Coffee Fellowship
3:00 pm **Worship in Poltimore**
4:00 pm Meet for Parade
6:00 pm Open House after Parade



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