

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!

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*Rooted in Faith   \*   Growing in Spirit   \*   Reaching out to Those in Need*  
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All Saints Sunday 10:45 am November 5, 2017

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

GATHERING SONGS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

In all our weakness and strength,
with our youth-filled spirits and aging bodies,
we come to be your people, O God.

Strong in faith and eager with questions,
singing our praise and whispering our prayers,
we come to be your people, O God.

Filled with saintly determination
yet mindful of our human limitations,
we come to be your people, O God.

Made strong in your endless love for us,
we know ourselves to be yours and
we come to be your people, O God. Amen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(please stand)*

Trusting in the certainty of God's love for us, we confess our sins.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

O God, our merciful redeemer,
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.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for you,
and for † his sake,
God forgives you all your sin.
Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad,
beloved people of God.

Thanks be to God!

SONG OF PRAISE

“Blessed Be Your Name”

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where the streams of abundance flow,
Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be.
Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering. Blessed be Your name.

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be your name.
You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Faithful God, together with the saints who have gone before, you have knit us into one body, the body of Jesus Christ. Help us to follow these saints in lives of faith and commitment and to know the incredible joy you have promised to those you have called beloved. In Jesus' name. **Amen.** *(please be seated)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

"They Shall Soar Like Eagles"

Laura Manzo

Zion Adult Choir

Pianist: Stephanie Hawkinson

Flute: Sue Gates

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:9-17

Pew Bible, NT p. 271

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 34:1-6 *(read responsively)*

¹I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²**I will glory in the LORD;**

let the lowly hear and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.**

ALLELUIA *(please stand)* **"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"**

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

The holy gospel according to Matthew chapter 5.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

Pew Bible, NT p. 4

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ. *(please be seated)*

MESSAGE

Pastor Marcia

SONG OF THE DAY “Blest Are They”

Blest are they, the poor in spirit; Theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they full of sorrow, they shall be consoled.
Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, Holy are you.
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

Blest are they, the lowly ones; They shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst; They shall have their fill.
Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, Holy are you.
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

Blest are they who show mercy; Mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart, they shall see God.
Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, Holy are you.
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs.
Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, Holy are you.
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.
Rejoice, be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.
Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, Holy are you.
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Welcoming God’s reign of righteousness and mercy, let us pray with people of every time and place.

After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lawrence “Larry” Wolff - Gladys Wanner – Harvey Wanner – Betty Ellingson Rall –
Anna Stern – Phyllis Schnorr – Leland Norton – Bonnie Roeszler – Adam Reich –
Gottlieb Gienger

Receive these prayers and the hopes and concerns of our hearts, O God, as we entrust into your loving care all for whom we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen. *(please be seated)*

OFFERING

The children are welcome to come forward and place their offerings in the “For Children Everywhere” box.

OFFERING SONG “I’ll Bless the Lord”

I’ll bless the Lord forevermore,
and in my mouth all praise shall be;
my soul rejoices in the Lord;
O magnify the Lord with me.

This poor one cried; God answered me,
and rescued me from all my pain;
the angel of the Lord is near,
and will deliver me again.

O taste and see; the Lord is good;
your happiness will ne’er depart;
O fear the Lord, you saints of earth,
for those who fear will have no want.

OFFERING PRAYER *(please stand)*

Generous God, you have made all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered here, in feeding the world with your love and forgiveness, through the one who gave himself up for us, Jesus our Lord. **Amen**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

**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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *(please be seated)*

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. Please come forward as directed by the ushers.
Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available; please indicate to the server by raising your hand.*

COMMUNION SONG "Majesty"

Majesty, worship His majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority,
Flow from His throne unto his own, His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify, Christ Jesus, the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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BLESSING & PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(please stand)*

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

Heavenly Father, as you have gathered us at your Table, now send us forth into your world to proclaim the message of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen**

BENEDICTION

Nothing in all creation will be able to separate you from the love that God has in Christ Jesus our Lord. So go in the assurance of God's love and the assurance of his presence, to live as God's beloved for the sake of the world.

Thanks be to God!

DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us,
go in peace to serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SENDING SONG "I See The Lord"

I see the Lord, and He is seated on the throne.
The train of His robe is filling the heavens.
I see the Lord, and He is shining like the sun.
His eyes full of fire, His voice like the waters.
Surrounding His throne and thousands singing

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

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FIRST READING**Revelation 7:9-17**

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

“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, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

GOSPEL**Matthew 5:1-12**

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, 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 will be comforted.

⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when people 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 in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”