

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD  
All Saints Sunday  
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## INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

*Widows are visible everywhere in today's readings. Jesus denounces those scribes who pray impressive prayers but devour widows' houses. He commends the poor widow who in his view gave far more than the major donors. Jesus doesn't see her simply as an object of compassion or charity. She, like the widow of Zarephath who shares her last bit of food with Elijah, does something of great importance.*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## STEWARDSHIP TEMPLE TALK

Jena German

## GATHERING SONG

*10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)*

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;  
worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,  
It's time to sing your song again.  
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,  
let me be singing when the evening comes.

Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, O my soul;  
worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and your heart is kind.  
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing;  
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, O my soul;  
worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
the end draws near and my time has come;  
still my soul will sing your praise unending  
ten thousand years and then forevermore!

Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, O my soul;  
worship his holy name.  
Sing like never before, O my soul;  
I'll worship your holy name.  
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## CONFESSING OUR SIN AND HEARING GOOD NEWS

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and personal confession.*

Have mercy on us, O God.

**We confess that we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbor.**

**We have built walls instead of tables  
and have turned away the stranger.**

**We have sought glory for ourselves  
and have treasured that which does not satisfy.**

**Help us to love as you love,  
to welcome those you send,  
and to treasure mercy and justice.**

**Turn us from our ways to your ways,  
and free us to serve those in need. Amen.**

God, who makes all things new,  
forgives your sins for ☩ Jesus' sake  
and remembers them no more.

Lift up your heads and your hearts.

Yours is the kingdom of God.

**Amen.**

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

*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.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together:

**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.**

**PSALM**

**Psalm 24**

*(read responsively)*

<sup>1</sup>The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,  
the world, and those who live in it;  
<sup>2</sup>for he has founded it on the seas,  
and established it on the rivers.  
<sup>3</sup>Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?  
And who shall stand in his holy place?  
<sup>4</sup>Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,  
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,  
and do not swear deceitfully.  
<sup>5</sup>They will receive blessing from the LORD,  
and vindication from the God of their salvation.  
<sup>6</sup>Such is the company of those who seek him,  
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.  
<sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!  
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.  
<sup>8</sup>Who is the King of glory?  
The LORD, strong and mighty,  
the LORD, mighty in battle.  
<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates!  
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!  
that the King of glory may come in.  
<sup>10</sup>Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD of hosts,  
he is the King of glory.

**SECOND READING**

**Revelation 21:1-6a**

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,  
"See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
<sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes.  
Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away."  
<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Word of God. Word of life.      Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA**

***Glory Hallelujah***

Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah!  
Glory, Gloria  
Oh..Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah.  
Glory, Gloria!

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Glory, Gloria!

The holy gospel according to John.  
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL John 11:32-44

<sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" <sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Mark Galbraith

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!

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### LITANY FOR REMEMBRANCE OF ALL SAINTS

*We are reminded that in baptism God unites all the faithful into one universal church, rooted and continuing in the tradition of the apostles of Jesus: the church on earth and the church in heaven.*

We remember the great ancestors of our faith,  
from Abraham and Sarah, to Peter and Mary Magdalene:  
**Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember the prophets and priests,  
the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God:  
**Teachers of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles,  
those who have gone before us in our lifetime:  
**Family of our faith, we remember you.**

We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren,  
siblings and cousins, spouses and parents  
whose lives ended too soon.  
We lift up the pain of pregnancy and infant loss,  
often carried silently, trusting that you hold all children in your love.  
**Those close in our heart, we remember you.**

We lift up to You, O God,  
the names of those we have lost in this past year from our lives,  
knowing that they are with Your heart forever.  
As we read these names, we will pause after every name  
to remember, pray, and give thanks for their life.

*Lawrence Walth, Ida Fauth, Howard Nelson, Hilda Hoffman, Esther Gienger, Ed Ackerson, Sally Isaacson, John Guthmiller, Tammy Paulsen, Alice Heckel, Gerald Guy, Darrell Sorensen, Marvin Bucholz, Charles Gustafson*

We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God,  
and lift up many more names in our hearts.

**Comfort us in our grief, and strengthen our faith,  
That we may be reunited at the feast that never ends.**

We lift up to you, O God,  
The names of those who have been baptized into Jesus Christ,  
knowing that they belong to you as children of the kingdom,  
and trusting that when you call us children of God, that is what we are.

*Kenzi Diane Jensen, Octavia Rayne Sitter, Cailin Mirabel Pies*

**Uphold them in faith, and nurture your whole church  
By the power of your Holy Spirit.**

We give thanks, O God,  
for all who have gone on to join with You beyond this life  
and for all who walk as yet by faith and not by sight.  
We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ,  
and know that in our grief and celebration, O God,  
You are with us through it all, and we are not left alone.  
We anticipate the day when every tear shall be wiped from our eyes,  
and we shall gather around the throne of God with all the saints.  
In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray.  
**Amen.**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

*Offering will not be taken during worship; a basket is available in the back of the sanctuary to drop off today's offering. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at [zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving](http://zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving) or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.*



**OFFERING SONG** *Offering*

The sun cannot compare to the Glory of Your love.  
There is no shadow in Your presence.  
No mortal man would dare to stand before Your throne.  
Before the Holy One of Heaven.  
It's only by Your blood.  
And it's only through Your mercy.

Lord I come.  
I bring an offering of worship to the King.  
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing.  
Jesus may You receive the honor that You're due.  
Oh Lord, I bring an offering to You.

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together:  
Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.      And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.      We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.    It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray in confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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.  
Save us from the time of trial  
            and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
            now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONG

*Grace Like Rain*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see so clearly.

And hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me.  
And hallelujah, all my stains are washed away,  
They're washed away.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

And hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me.  
And hallelujah, all my stains are washed away,  
They're washed away.

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing Your praise  
Than when we first begun.

And hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me.  
And hallelujah, all my stains are washed away,  
They're washed away.

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**BLESSING**

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

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray together:  
**Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet. Amen.**

**BLESSING**

God, the beginning and the end,  
who has written your name in the book of life,  
✠ bless and keep you in grace and peace  
from this time forth and forevermore.  
**Amen.**

**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.  
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**SENDING WORDS**

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

**POSTLUDE**



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