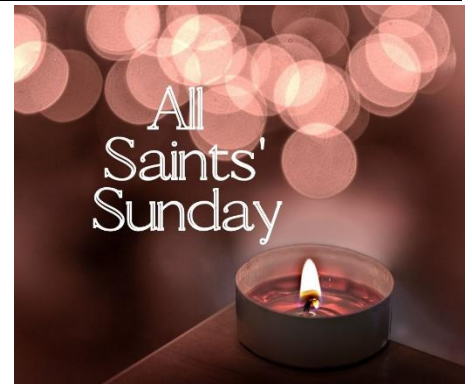


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All Saints Sunday
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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING WORDS

Thank you, gracious God, for the gift of this new day, where we remember the bold witness of Christ to bring reform to a broken system and people; where we remember faithful saints that stood strong speaking the gospel in the face of opposition.

Through the Holy Spirit, dear Lord, guide this community of faith as you guided our ancestors. Keep our focus upon your abiding presence, teaching us to love with grace and mercy. Amen.

GATHERING SONG

For All Your Saints, O Lord

ELW #427

- 1 For all your saints, O Lord,
who strove in you to live,
who followed you, obeyed, adored,
our grateful hymn receive.
- 2 For all your saints, O Lord,
who strove in you to die,
who counted you their great reward,
accept our thankful cry.
- 3 They all in life and death,
with you, their Lord, in view,
learned from your Holy Spirit's breath
to suffer and to do.
- 4 For this, your name we bless
and humbly pray anew
that we like them in holiness
may live and die in you.
- 5 To God, the Father, Son,
and Spirit, ever blest,
the One in Three, the Three in One,
be endless praise addressed.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

On this day, we remember with fondness the work of our ancestors in the reforming work of the cross.

We are joined together with them in the waters of baptism, clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness, always being made new for the work of the gospel.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Looking to the Creator,

we give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters, and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea, you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river, your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

Looking to the Savior,

we give thanks, O God, for the call placed upon our lives that we are born both of water and of Spirit, bringing us together as one people: daughters and sons, brothers and sisters, heirs of your promise and servants of all.

Looking to the Advocate,

we give thanks, O God, for the gift of word and water that sustains life, and above all, we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Continue to shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

Looking to the Trinity, we speak as servants.

Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, empower us to honor and praise you, O God; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

ELW #789

Vs. 1

- 1 Savior like a shepherd lead us;
much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use your fold prepare.

Refrain

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us, we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us, we are yours.

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: Generous God, you gave your servant Solomon wisdom so that he might govern your people well. **Grant us your wisdom, so that we might perform our life's duties with gratitude and wisdom. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

KIDS' TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

God Has Made Us Promises

God has made us promises, and those you can believe!
Let us all now serve the Lord, for God loves you and me!

All of us must each decide just who we're living for.
As for me, I choose to serve the Lord!

God has made us promises, and those you can believe!
Let us all now serve the Lord, for God loves you and me!

The holy gospel, according to Matthew, the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Matthew 6:8-10

⁸"When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

⁹"Pray, then, in this way:

Our Father in heaven,
may your name be revered as holy.

¹⁰ May your kingdom come.

May your will be done.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

FOCUS TEXT

1 Kings 3:4-9, 16-28

⁴The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. ⁵At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I should give you."

⁶ And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷ And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸ And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹ Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?"

INTERLUDE

¹⁶ Later, two women who were prostitutes came to the king and stood before him. ¹⁷ The one woman said, "Please, my lord, this woman and I live in the same house, and I gave birth while she was in the house. ¹⁸ Then on the third day after I gave birth, this woman also gave birth. We were together; there was no one else with us in the house; only the two of us were in the house. ¹⁹ Then this woman's son died in the night because she lay on him. ²⁰ She got up in the middle of the night and took my son from beside me while your servant slept. She laid him at her breast and laid her dead son at my breast. ²¹ When I rose in the morning to nurse my son, I saw that he was dead, but when I looked at him closely in the morning, clearly it was not the son I had borne." ²² But the other woman said, "No, the living son is mine, and the dead son is yours." The first said, "No, the dead son is yours, and the living son is mine." So they argued before the king.

²³ Then the king said, "The one says, 'This is my son who is alive, and your son is dead,' while the other says, 'Not so! Your son is dead, and my son is the living one.' " ²⁴ So the king said, "Bring me a sword," and they brought a sword before the king. ²⁵ The king said, "Divide the living boy in two; then give half to the one and half to the other." ²⁶ But the woman whose son was alive said to the king, because compassion for her son burned within her, "Please, my lord, give her the living boy; certainly do not kill him!" The other said, "It shall be neither mine nor yours; divide it." ²⁷ Then the king responded, "Give her the living boy; do not kill him. She is his mother." ²⁸ All Israel heard of the judgment that the king had rendered, and they stood in awe of the king because they perceived that the wisdom of God was in him to execute justice.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

ELW #426

- 1 Sing with all the saints in glory,
sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,
to the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking,

soon the storms of time shall cease;
in God's likeness we awaken,
knowing everlasting peace.

2 Oh, what glory, far exceeding
all that eye has yet perceived!
Holiest hearts for ages pleading
never that full joy conceived.
God has promised, Christ prepares it,
there on high our welcome waits.
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it,
Christ has passed the eternal gates.

3 Life eternal! heav'n rejoices:
Jesus lives who once was dead.
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!
Child of God, lift up your head!
Life eternal! Oh, what wonders
crowd on faith; what joy unknown,
when, amid earth's closing thunders,
saints shall stand before the throne!

APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we 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

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.

Norman August Denning
Otto Sperle
Esther Ottenbacher
Lyle Leonard Johnsen
James Harold Brockel
Jo Elaine Tolvstad
Harvey Joseph Metz

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.

Harper Margaret Madsen

**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

We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this congregation possible. We encourage everyone to give. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at 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

Create in a Clean Heart

ELW #186

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.
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.

LITANY

It is our duty and our joy to offer thanks and praise to almighty and merciful God
celebrating the work of God, fulfilling the promise of the resurrection through Jesus Christ, pouring out the fire of the Holy Spirit.

In God, we are people of many nations, but yet one body, many languages but one in faith.
With Mary Magdelene, Peter, and all witnesses of the resurrection, with the earth, sea and stars, and all their creatures, angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,

let us give great thanks and praise singing...
**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered together by the work of the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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

These are gifts of creation for God's beloved creatures. Come and share.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of The Lord's Supper bringing to us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of eternal life, are welcome to gather at the Lord's Table.

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God

ELW, pg. 154

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

ELW #605

- 1 "Forgive our sins as we forgive,"
you taught us, Lord, to pray;
but you alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.
- 2 How can your pardon reach and bless
the unforgiving heart
that broods on wrongs and will not let
old bitterness depart?
- 3 In blazing light your cross reveals
the truth we dimly knew:
how trifling others' debts to us;
how great our debt to you!
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
and bid resentment cease;
then, by your mercy reconciled,
our lives will spread your peace.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. **By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

MINISTRY MOMENT

SENDING BLESSING

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of grace ☩ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

When the Saints Go Marching In

Vs. 1, 2, 5, 6

- 1 Oh, when the saints go marching in,
oh, when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
when the saints go marching in.
- 2 Oh, when the Lord in glory comes,
oh, when the Lord in glory comes,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
when the Lord in glory comes.
- 5 Oh, when they crown him King of kings,
oh, when they crown him King of kings,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
when they crown him King of kings.
- 6 And on that hallelujah day,
and on that hallelujah day,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
on that hallelujah day.

SENDING WORDS

Go forth and flourish in joy, peace, and love through the grace of God.

Thanks be to God, and we will.

POSTLUDE

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