**All Saints Day** **October 31 & November 1, 2026**

**Introduction to the day**
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.

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ACS p. 8)**
Blessed be the holy Trinity,
☩ one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us
and all of creation.
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
To you, O God,
**all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior.**
**Amen.**

By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of ☩ Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.
**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG** ***Sing with All the Saints in Glory***

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.

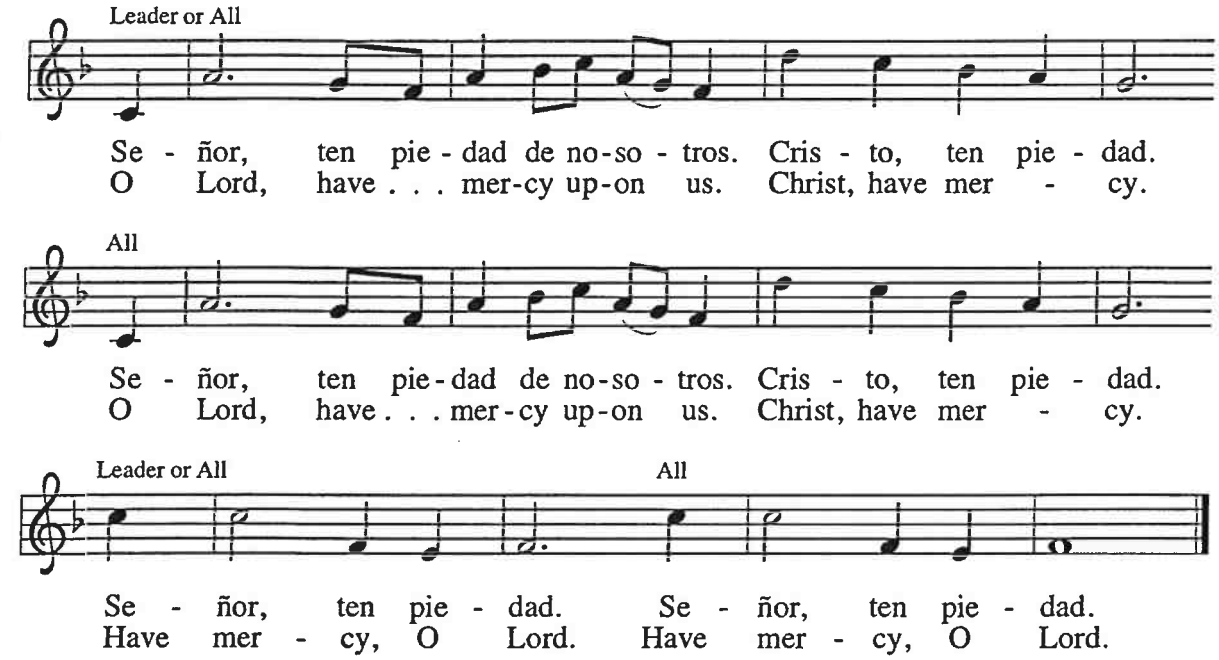
2 Oh, what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived!
Holiest hearts for ages pleading never that full joy conceived.
God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits.
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it, Christ has passed the eternal gates.

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!

**GREETING**

Christ has called us to this place,
gathered one and all by his Holy Spirit
**We are followers of Christ**
**who seek to hear the Word,**
**live the Word, and share the Word.**
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.**

**KYRIE (ACS p. 12)**



**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

**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.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

5:30 Laury Detro 8:30 Angela Nelson 11:00 Praise Team

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

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

*The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.*

9 After 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. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying,
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"
11 And 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, 12 singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have
they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who 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.
15 For 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.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
17 for 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."

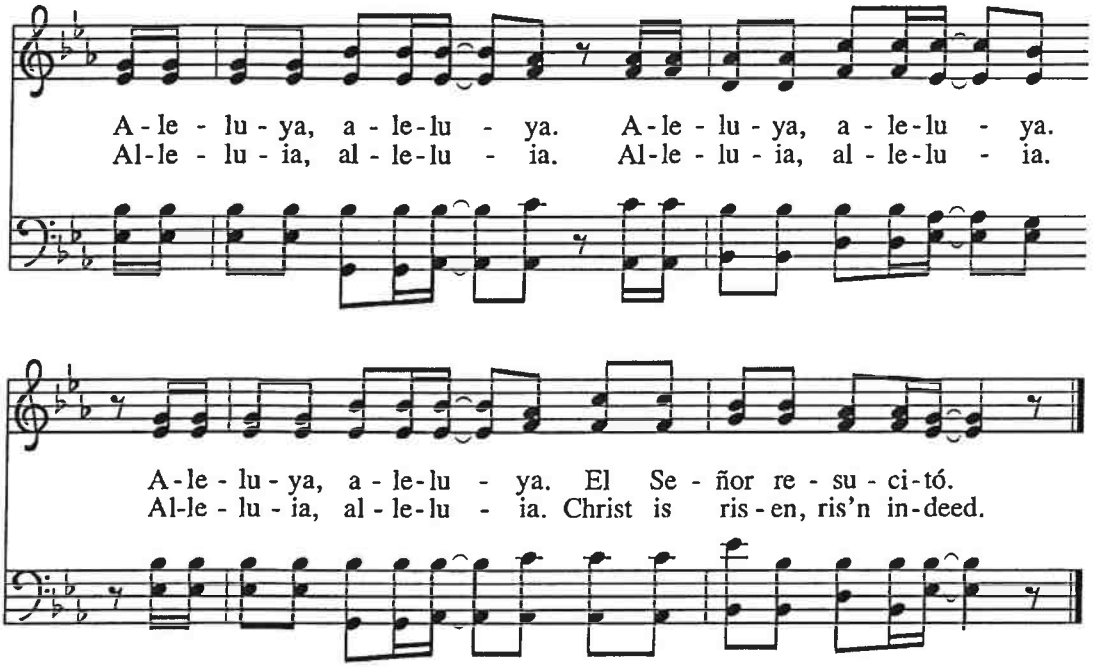
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3**

*A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.*

[1] See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2] Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. [3] And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ACS p. 14)**




**GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12**

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.*

[1] When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2] And 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 the sake of righteousness, 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. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** Pr. Luke

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Rejoice in God's Saints* **(ELW 418)**




Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000
Music: LAUDATE DOMINUM, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848–1918
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**APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.**
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**
**He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.**
**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
**He will come again 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**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy,
**hear our prayer.**
Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways (*local places may be named*). Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy,
**hear our prayer.**
Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment. God, in your mercy,
**hear our prayer.**
Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness (*especially*).

Mel Satnan, Stephany Sanborn, Sophia Danker Christensen, Bill, Becky Taylor, Greg Reinders, Ladonna Jeffrey, Patricia Minchin, Alyce Hassay, Andrea Saar, Bruce Anderson, Lottie Tawzer, Jamie Lang, Cheryl Dekker

God, in your mercy,
**hear our prayer.**
Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy,
**hear our prayer.**
With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors (*those who have died in the past year may be named*). Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy,
**hear our prayer.**
We ask your blessing on those who do the quiet, unseen work of the church finances and leadership – Treasurer and Accounting, offering counters, church council, and church office manager. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

**PEACE**
The peace of Christ be with you always.
**And also with you. Amen**

**OFFERING** ***Praise and Thanksgiving*** **(ELW 689)**






Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.
Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version
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**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**DIALOGUE**

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.**

**PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth. You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys, and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

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

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of faith and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by 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

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

## LAMB OF GOD


Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -
O Lamb . . of God, you . . take a - way the
ca - do del mun - do: ten pie - dad de no - so - tros.
sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up - on us.
Cor - de - ro de Dios, tú que qui - tas el pe -
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sin of the world; . . . have . . mer - cy up -
so - tros, ten pie - dad de no - so - stros.
on us, have . . . mer - cy up - on us.
Da - nos tu paz. A - mén.
Grant us your peace. A - men.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** *I Am the Bread of Life* **(ELW 485)**




Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6
Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM
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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN** *What Feast of Love* **(ELW 487)**




Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939
Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.
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## SONG AFTER COMMUNION (ACS p. 26)




## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ACS p. 27)

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you
with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and ☩ give you peace. **Amen**

**SENDING SONG** *Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In* **(ACS 950)**




Text: African American spiritual
Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version
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**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**October 31 & November 1, 2026**

**Lynette Schmitt**
November 3, 2025

**Pat & Ed Nemecek**
December 23, 2025
May 23, 2026

**Georgia Lawton**
January 2, 2026

**Andy Besco**
February 26, 2026

**Pat Peterson**
April 7, 2026

**Rick Boyd**
May 7, 2026

**Kueth Doluony**
June 10, 2026

**Marie Neal**
June 18, 2026

**Kristi Koopmeiners**
July 30, 2026

**Nancy Chew**
September 17, 2026

**Diane Enoch**
September 19, 2026

**Tom Stuart**
September 26, 2026

**Emma Drustrup**
October 6, 2026

**Dale Haven**
October 11, 2026

## Baptized

November 2025 through October 2026

**Madalyn Marie Hansen**
December 13, 2025

**Maverick Vincent Miller**
December 14, 2025

**Andrew Maxwell Hansen**
March 8, 2026

**Morgyn Quinn Besco**
March 22, 2026

**Brooklyn Brainard**
March 28, 2026

**Rhett Allen Cochran**
June 14, 2026

**Leo Mathew Harm**
June 28, 2026

**Annie Rose Harm**
June 28, 2026

**Cooper Justin Harm**
June 28, 2026