

All Saints Day
November 1, 2026
8:30, 11:00 a.m. & Livestream



FAITH . DISCIPLESHIP . COMMUNITY
THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Rev. Drew McCaffery, Pastor

At The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, we embrace the uniqueness of every individual and respect their dignity and worth, for all are created in the image of God. We strive to welcome everyone in the fullness of who they are.

Let us call together for reconciliation, and live out God's vision of love for people of every sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, socio-economic status, age, physical or mental ability, political persuasion, race, ethnicity, and personal history. Let us walk together to strive for racial equity, as Jesus calls us to do.

All people are welcome here to worship, build community, and grow together as Jesus' disciples at this place.



✦ GATHERING ✦

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

P *Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers.*

C **Amen.**

P *Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.*

Silence is kept for reflection.

P *Holy God,*

C **we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.**

P *Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you.*

C **Amen.**



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su -



ser - apts, cher - u - bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain:
 glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es:
 pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest: "Al - le - lu - ia!
 per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le - lu - ia!



"Al - le - lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,
 "Al - le - lu - ia!" Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Ye ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs
 Al - le - lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the



pow'rs, arch - an - gels, vir - tues, an - gel choirs:
 Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord:
 strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the song:
 Son, and God the Spir - it, Three in One:



"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!" Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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

C **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

Bless the Lord

Tore W. Aas

Bless the Lord, O my soul
Bless the Lord, O my soul
Bless the Lord, O my soul
Praise His holy name.

Repeat 2 more times

Pulpit side sings each line and font side repeats

The Lord is good

He reigns forever

He's merciful

Bless His holy name

Repeat first part 3x

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

A *Let us pray. Almighty God,*

C **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.**

Please be seated.

✦ THE WORD ✦

First Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

A *A reading from Revelation. 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.”*

A *The word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 34:1-10,22

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

C **² I will glory in the Lord;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

A *³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;
let us exalt God’s name together.*

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

- A** ⁵ *Look upon the Lord and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.*
- C** ⁶ **I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.**
- A** ⁷ *The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord
and delivers them.*
- C** ⁸ **Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!**
- A** ⁹ *Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord,
for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.*
- C** ¹⁰ **The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**
- A** ²² *O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.*

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-3

- A** *A reading from First John. 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.*
- A** *The word of the Lord.*
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

P *The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the Fifth chapter.*

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P 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.”

P *The Gospel of the Lord.*

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Drew McCaffery

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn of the Day

When Peace like a River

No. 785



- 1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
- 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
- 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my
- 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Remembering the Saints

Pastor will read the names of members of the LCGS community who have joined the company of saints, since our last All Saints Sunday. Once the final name is read, you are invited to come forward and light a candle in memory of a friend or loved one who has joined the company of saints. May this time be a space of prayer and continued healing for you.

When lighting the candle, please tilt it towards the center candles. Once your candle(s) are lit, please place them in the sand, from back to front, so it will be easier for those behind you.

- A** *Let us confess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.*
C **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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

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

A brief silence.

After each portion of the prayers:

A *God, in your mercy,*
C **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

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

C **Amen.**

P *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

C **And also with you.**

After sharing the peace, please be seated.

Offering

Choir Anthem

Steal Away

African-American Spiritual

As the gifts are presented, please stand, as you are able.

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

A *Let us pray. Eternal God,*
C **our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

✦ THE EUCHARIST ✦

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Lift up your hearts.*

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P *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. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P *Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance. You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.*

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast. By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P *Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.*

C **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.

P *In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.*

C **Thanks be to God!**

Please be seated.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table! Whether you are a member of this church or a visitor, the Communion celebrated here is "open" to all who trust that our Lord Jesus Christ—his true Body and his true Blood—is present for All of God's People. (Note: should you prefer, we also offer gluten free wafers and white grape juice.)

During the distribution, the following is sung.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Communion Hymn

Shall We Gather at the River

Refrain only after all have communed



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv-er that flows by the throne of God.

After all have communed, please stand, as you are able.

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

C **Amen.**

We are blessed to have Lay Eucharistic Ministers serving here at LCGS. On the first Sunday of each month, the bread and the wine they carry in their home communion kits are consecrated during our service. Home communion is then offered throughout the month to those who are unable to join us here. If you would like to join this ministry, know of someone who would like to receive home communion, or want more information, please contact the church office.

P *Let us pray. Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick and homebound. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

C **Amen.**

A *Let us pray. Holy God,*
C **we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.**

✦ **SENDING** ✦

P *The holy Trinity, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.*
C **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In



1 Oh, when the saints go march - ing in, oh, when the
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the
3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the
4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they
5 And on that hal - le - lu - jah day, and on that



saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that
Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that
new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that
gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that
hal - le - lu - jah day, O Lord, I want to be in that



num - ber when the saints go march - ing in.
num - ber when the Lord in glo - ry comes.
num - ber when the new world is re - vealed.
num - ber when they gath - er round the throne.
num - ber on that hal - le - lu - jah day.

A *Go in peace. Encourage one another.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Pray for Those That Need God's Healing

*Paul, Andrea, Ann, Al, Joan, Daisy, Betty,
Nancy, Jean, Michelle, Nick and Lois*

All Saints' Remembrances

*We remember the following *LCGS Members and Family*

**Phyllis Berger*

Lida Bray (Debbie Anthony's mother)

Ronnie Hastings (Daisy Shook's father)

**Robert Hendrickson*

William Herge (Andrea Hamerla's father)

**Donna Hostetler*

**Ethel Scheeler*

**Betty Ann Smith*

William Thayer (Monica Thayer's father-in-law)

Joanne Wedin (Marilyn Tober's sister)

Linda Oakes (Dot Miller's sister, Larry Burkhardt's aunt)

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SERVING TODAY

8:30 am

11:00 am

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