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Sunday, November 7, 2021
The Festival of All Saints

Prelude
Tower Bells
Welcome
Announcements

Visitors are encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the “Welcome” side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate near the entrance doors. Those taking Communion are asked to fill out the “Communion” side (black print) of the card. Completed cards may also be left on the pew seat.

Opening Hymn

The Church’s One Foundation

LSB 644

Confession and Absolution

LSB 151

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 149

1 Praise the LORD!

**Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!**

2 Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

3 Let them praise his name with dancing,
**making melody to him with tambourine and
lyre!**

4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with salvation.

5 Let the godly exult in glory;

let them sing for joy on their beds.

6 Let the high praises of God be in their
throats

and two-edged swords in their hands,

**7 to execute vengeance on the nations
and punishments on the peoples,**

8 to bind their kings with chains

and their nobles with fetters of iron,

9 to execute on them the judgment written!

This is honor for all his godly ones.

Praise the LORD!

Kyrie (*Sing*)

LSB 152

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all
let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

This Is the Feast (*sing*)

LSB 155

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

P: *(Sing)* The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally to attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading

Revelation 7:2-17 *(Sit)*

2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, 3 saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." 4 And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

5 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,
6 12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,
7 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,
8 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

9 After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10 and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 11 And all the angels were standing 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 saying, "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, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 “Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.
17 For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 John 3:1-3

1 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (*Stand and sing*)

LSB 156

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C: (*sing*) Glory to You, O Lord.

1 Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.
The Beatitudes

2 And he opened his mouth 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 shall be comforted.

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

6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

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

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

9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

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

11 “Blessed are you when others 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 so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (*sing*) Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn
and Anthem

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus (The Lutheran Hymnal version)

Note: The choir will sing stanzas 1 and 3 alone. The congregation and choir will sing stanzas 2 and 4 together.

Choir

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Flee the world, which would deceive us
And to sin our souls allure.
Ever in His footsteps treading,
Body here, yet soul above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, abide with me;
Savior, lead, I follow Thee.

Congregation and Choir

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus,
To His image e'er conform;
Heaven's glory soon will please us,
Sunshine follow on the storm.
Tho' we sow in tears of sorrow,
We shall reap with heav'nly joy;
And the fears that now annoy
Shall be laughter on the morrow.
Christ, I suffer here with Thee;
There, oh, share Thy joy with me!

Choir

3 Let us also die with Jesus.
His death from the second death,
From our soul's destruction, frees us,
Quickens us with life's glad breath.
Let us mortify, while living,
Flesh and blood and die to sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here I die to Thee
There to live eternally.

Congregation and Choir

4 Let us gladly live with Jesus;
Since He's risen from the dead,
Death and grave must soon release us.
Jesus, Thou art now our Head,
We are truly Thine own members;
Where Thou livest, there live we.
Take and own us constantly,
Faithful Friend, as Thy dear brethren.
Jesus, here I live to Thee,
Also there eternally.

Sermon “God’s People Walking Now and Into Eternity With Jesus”

Nicene Creed

LSB 158 (*Inside back cover of hymnal*)

Offerings Brought Forward During Hymn for Offering (LSB 773 v 1, 3)

1 Hear us, Father, when we pray,
Through Your Son and in Your Spirit.
By Your Spirit's Word convey
All that we through Christ inherit,
That as baptized heirs we may
Truly pray.

3 Jesus, advocate on high,
Sacrificed on Calv'ry's altar,
Through Your priestly blood we cry:
Hear our prayers, though they may falter;
Place them on Your Father's throne
As Your own.

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Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

Standing with the great multitude of saints before the throne of God and the Lamb, let us join in prayer, praise and thanksgiving to the God of our salvation. *Brief silence*

Mighty and eternal God, we thank You for the faithful saints who have gone to Your house in heaven before us. Thank you for their witness and service to their families and Christian brothers and sisters. We ask the Holy Spirit to also give us faith all our days until we are called home. We thank you Father, Son and Holy Spirit for the Christian lives of:

Bernita A. Norden
Carolyn B. Switzer

February 24, 1928 – September 7, 2021
June 2, 1937 – October 6, 2021

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and so pass with Him through the gate of death and the grave to their joyful resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant that all who have been nourished by the holy body and blood of Your Son may be raised to immortality and incorruption to be seated with Him at Your heavenly banquet. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless all ministers of the Gospel and the congregations committed to their care, that the comfort of Christ's sacrifice and the joy of His resurrection may be proclaimed to all who grieve their sin and mourn their dead. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless all in authority over us, especially those who work to bring peace and justice, that they may be inclined to Your will and walk according to Your commandments. Grant wisdom to our citizens and courage and competence to our leaders. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless all who labor in their vocations serving You and their neighbors, please be with mothers, fathers, daughters and sons; grandmothers, grandfathers, aunts and uncles and all other family members;

Bless those who protect us in the fire departments and emergency crews, armed forces, police, sheriffs and all law enforcement;

Bless those who guide wellness and healing, doctors, nurses, medical scientists, technicians and staff, government health workers, counselors and social workers, sports coaches and leaders,

Bless those who provide food, shelter and the many needs of this life; farmers of crops and animals, food production and manufacturing workers, retail workers, workers in all trades;

Bless those who educate and guide us in preschool and elementary schools, high schools, colleges, universities and all other forms of education;

that all workers and all vocations may acknowledge and give thanks to You as our Creator as the Giver of all good gifts, and depend upon You for wisdom, guidance and protection in all their labors and endeavors, Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Preserve all who travel, those in need, the sick and injured, all who mourn, and those who have asked for our intercessions [especially _____]. Give Your Holy Spirit to relieve and comfort them in the confidence of saving faith. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gather us in the blessed Sacrament around the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, whom saints and angels adore around Your eternal throne. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, O Lord, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface, Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving (*sing*) LSB 160-161

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 Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (*sing*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving LSB 161

Lord's Prayer LSB 162

The Words of Our Lord LSB 162

Pax Domini and Agnus Dei LSB 163

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: (*sing*) Amen.**

C: (*sing*) 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.

Distribution *Continuous Line*

Distribution Hymn *Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior* **LSB 627**

Distribution Hymn *My Hope Is Build on Nothing Less* **LSB 575**

Distribution Hymn *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* **LSB 761**

(NOTE: The Pastor will commune the Communion Assistants and then the organist. Then those who commune in the pews will be served starting at the back of the church. Not all hymns/verses may be needed. Organist will play as needed.)

General Post-Communion Dismissal Blessing by Pastor

Thank the Lord (*sing*) LSB 164

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect and Benediction LSB 166

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: (*sing*) Amen.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: (*sing*) Amen.

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude

Depart in His Peace

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Sermon Notes - “God’s People Walking Now and Into Eternity With Jesus”

1. Who are they and what brought them through? Revelation 7:13-14
2. Walking in this world, but of God – not of this world. 1 John 3:1-3
3. What does the walking in this world look like? Matthew 5:3-11
4. How are they now and forever? Revelation 7:15-17

Zion Lutheran Church’s Belief and Practice of the Lord’s Supper

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord Jesus gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes again in glory.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

For further study: Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f., 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 11:17-34.