

Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

Saints of God, welcome to worship! Today we remember those who have died in the faith, and we let God nourish us for our life of discipleship. Welcome pads are at the end of each pew; please sign your name and pass it along.

Sunday, November 4, 2018, 8:30am

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Mission Opportunities and Sharing of the Peace

Invocation, Confession and Forgiveness

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

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Opening Song

“For All the Saints”

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have taught us in your Son that love fulfills the law. Inspire us to love you with all our heart, our soul, our mind, and our strength, and teach us how to love our neighbor as ourselves, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music

“Finally Home” by Thomas Henry Roehrich and David Lantz III

Remembering the sinner/saints that are finally home in heaven and knowing all is right that once was wrong.

Praise & Rejoice Choir, Directed by Arlene Brandt-Jenson

Accompanied by Mary Wika

Psalm

Psalm 27:1-6

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

²**When evildoers close in against me to devour my flesh, they, my foes and my enemies, will stumble and fall.**

³Though an army encamp against me, my heart will not fear. Though war rise up against me, my trust will not be shaken.

⁴**One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.**

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.

⁶**Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

Lesson

1 Peter 2:9-10

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Children's Church

in the Chapel with Tammy DeLange

Gospel

John 8:12 and Matthew 5:14-16

¹²Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"The Much Needed LIGHT in a Very DARK World"

Pastor Kent Stillson

Song

"Only by Grace"

Only by grace can we enter Only by grace can we stand
Not by our human endeavor But by the blood of the Lamb
Into Your presence You call us You call us to come
Into Your presence You draw us And now by Your grace we come
Now by Your grace we come

(Chorus) Lord if You mark Our transgressions Who would stand
Thanks to Your grace We are cleansed By the blood of the Lamb *(repeat Chorus)*

Only by grace can we enter Only by grace can we stand
Not by our human endeavor But by the blood of the Lamb
Into Your presence You call us You call us to come
Into Your presence You draw us And now by Your grace we come
Now by Your grace we come

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Apostles' Creed

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.

Offering

Prayer Song

“My Soul Will Rest”

When there's bread for all people Then my soul will rest Oh, my soul Oh, my soul

When there's bread for all people Then my soul will rest Oh my soul will rest

Oh, oh, oh, oh Oh, oh, oh When there's bread for all people

Then my soul will rest Oh, my soul will rest Then my soul will rest

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Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: Darla Brandlee, Shelley Hardie, Quinn Mohling, Drake Rounds,
Christine Walraven, Gary Thoreson, Kathy Hibbert, Sonya Benson,
Marilyn Mahanke, Chad Lambert, Stan Peterson,
Vern Christopherson, *brother-in-law of Deb (Brian) Holter*
Darcy Chapman, *daughter of Marilyn Chapman*
Ruben Speidel, *grandfather of the Pletan family*
Joel Manus, *brother of Pam (Al) Raeder*
Donnie Ammon, *cousin of Nancy Slostad*
John Lahey-Wiggs, *brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner*
Jim Wiggs, *brother of Chala (Tom) Lechner*

Birth: Olivia Lohrman to Jared & Amber Lohrman, *grandparents- Jim & Joan Lohrman*

Death: Maurice ‘Sonny’ Sandaker, *grandfather to Stacey (Jesse) Greve*

In Memory of All Saints:

Fred Van Gilder

Fritz Obermeier

Raymond Rylance

Mildred Irene Stee

Marcia Marie Moes

Reese Louise Fischer

Robert Elvin Nichols

Tysen Hunter Cook

William Ray Fiebelkorn

Virgil Romane Mahlen

Marlyn J. Enstad

Dorothy M. Hunter

Thomas L. Bergan

Jamie A. Isaacson

LuAnn Elaine Larson

Avis Claire Schultz

Charlotte Kay Bailly

Darlene Ann Peterson

Laurel Ann Storbakken

James Utne

Carl A. Fischer

Maxine Jean Hogstad

Leonard Bruchhof

Russ Ordal Wilkins

Emil William Moehring

Prayer Song

“My Soul Will Rest”

When there's peace on this planet Then my soul will rest Oh, my soul Oh, my soul

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Holy Communion

Words of Institution – The Lord’s Prayer – Distribution

Extended Altar – Holy Communion delivered to shut-ins by lay people.

As part of our All Saints Celebration, you are welcome to come to the prayer area in the back of the Sanctuary to light a candle in remembrance of our departed loved ones. A prayer minister will also be there.

“I Can Only Imagine”

I can only imagine What it will be like When I walk by Your side

I can only imagine What my eyes will see When Your face is before me I can only imagine

(Chorus) Surrounded by Your glory What will my heart feel Will I dance for You Jesus

Or in awe of You be still Will I stand in Your presence Or to my knees will I fall

Will I sing hallelujah Will I be able to speak at all I can only imagine I can only imagine

I can only imagine When that day comes And I find myself standing in the Son

I can only imagine When all I will do Is forever forever worship You I can only imagine

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“Taste and See”

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Oh, taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

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“Be Still”

(Chorus) Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am God.

Amidst the chaos of the daily hear the small voice. *(Chorus)*

Above the raging of the nations you weep for peace. *(Chorus)*

Just as a hen cares for her young ones your wings, our home. *(Chorus twice)*

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Post Communion Blessing

Benediction

Sending Song

“Rejoice and Celebrate”

(Chorus) Rejoice in the Lord always Celebrate what God has done.

Rejoice and celebrate we are one.

Some days we’re gonna feel lonely.

Some days we’re gonna feel blue.

Some days we’re gonna feel helpless.

We’ve gotta let God’s saving grace shine through! *(Chorus)*

We were baptized into the promise.

God’s family we’ll always be.

We’re born each day through the Savior.

Who humbly gave his life for you and me! *(Chorus twice)*

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Call to Service

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

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Serving This Morning

Presiding: Pastor Dan Ofstehage

Preaching: Pastor Kent Stillson

Worship Team directed by Jim Miller

Head Ushers: Darwin Brinkman and Steve Kjellsen

Acolytes: Mason Sackmann, Jacob Hanson

Greeters: Di, Ethan, Emma Wientjes

Sound & Projection: Pam Berg, Darian Givens

Lector:

Ushers:

Communion Assistants:

Sunday Morning Helpers: Adam Lauseng

Coffee Servers:

Welcome Center: Lynn Langner, Darlene Bailey