

ALL SAINTS' DAY

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**THE ORDER OF THE DIVINE SERVICE**  
**ALL SAINTS' FESTIVAL**  
**AND THE**  
**COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**  
**ON THE**  
**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**NOVEMBER 6, 2022 – 8:00 AM**

A warm welcome to all worshiping with Resurrection Lutheran Church today! We celebrate together God's work in our lives as we receive His Word and Sacraments to strengthen our relationship with Him and one another. By the blood of Christ, we are made the household of God. Here, God builds us up by grace, through faith, and for service!

**LESSONS AND LITURGY TODAY**

Today we celebrate the Festival of All Saints and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. This is a celebration and remembrance of the people of God who have gone before us: fighting the good fight of faith, running the race, and finishing the course; and who now rest from their labors. We remember that we are joining in the song that is already being sung eternally in the presence of God. In the midst of this dying, fallen world we sing... and the Song is 'Victory' - His Victory made ours in Christ.

❖ Denotes times when the congregation is invited to stand.

The congregation is encouraged to quietly and prayerfully prepare for worship during the prelude.

**PRELUDE**

*For All the Saints* – arr. D. Smith

Resurrection Brass Ensemble

**WELCOME**



**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones* - arr. V. Nelhybel, R. Bruening

**LSB 670**

**All vs. 1 – 3**

**vs. 4 sung in canon.** (Women & Children begin; Men begin at “gladness”.)

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones, Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,  
 Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"  
 Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs, Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:  
 "Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
  
2. O higher than the cherubim, More glorious than the seraphim,  
 Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"  
 Thou bearer of the eternal Word, Most gracious, magnify the Lord:  
 "Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
  
3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest, Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:  
 "Alleluia, alleluia!"  
 Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong, All saints triumphant, raise the song:  
 "Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"
  
4. O friends, in gladness let us sing, Supernal anthems echoing:  
 "Alleluia, alleluia!"  
 To God the Father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, Three in One:  
 "Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"

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## PREPARATION

- P** As we gather in the Presence of God to offer Him our sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving, we are reminded, especially on this holy day, of the great cloud of witnesses who have preceded us and who have brought us here.
- C** **We gather mindful of their witness, of their faith, of their life in Christ that has enabled us to continue in this confession and faith. We gather, knowing that the Holy Spirit has mightily used them; and we pray that we might also be used by God to proclaim the mighty works of the One Who has called us out of darkness into His Own Marvelous Light.**

## ❖ INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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.**

## ❖ CONFESSION OF SINS

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.**

C **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.**

## ❖ ABSOLUTION

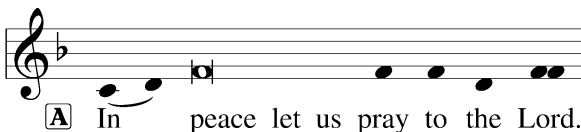
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a Called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

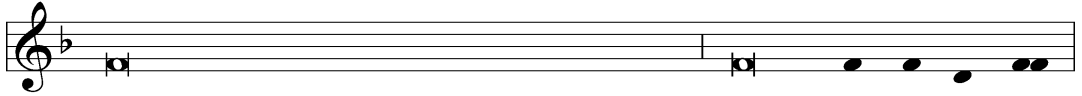
### ❖ KYRIE

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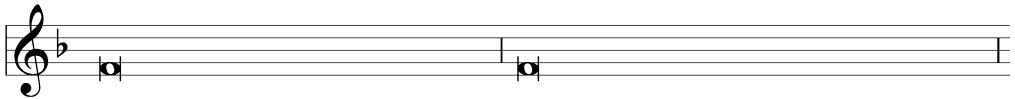
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



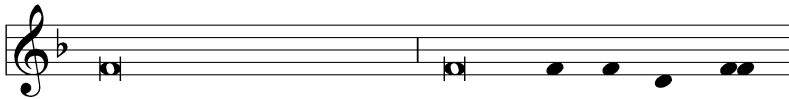
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



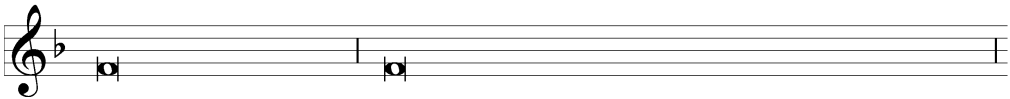
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



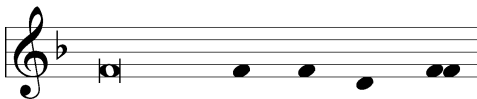
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



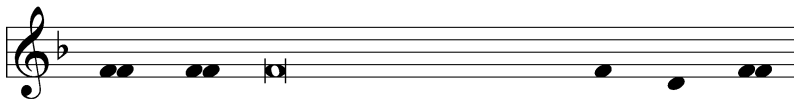
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.



## HYMN OF PRAISE

*This is the Feast* - arr. R. Hillert

LSB 155



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



- 1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb — who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## ❖ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, Whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the Body of Christ our Lord:

C **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 Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## EPISTLE

*I John 3:1-3* [ESV]

*(We are Children of God through the Love of the Father in Christ.)*

<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>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.

<sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Jonathan Blanke

### ❖ ALLELUIA AND VERSE \* - arr. R. Hillert

LSB 156



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### ❖ HOLY GOSPEL AND ACCLAMATIONS \* - arr. R. Hillert *Matthew 5:1-12* [ESV] *(The Beatitudes)*

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



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.



<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, He went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him. <sup>2</sup>And He opened His Mouth and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> *“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.*

<sup>4</sup> *“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.*

<sup>5</sup> *“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.*

<sup>6</sup> *“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.*

<sup>7</sup> *“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.*

<sup>8</sup> *“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.*

<sup>9</sup> *“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.*

<sup>10</sup> *“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.*

<sup>11</sup> *“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My Account.*

<sup>12</sup> *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.



 Praise to You, O Christ.

## SERMON

Pastor Jonathan Blanke

I Believe...in the Communion of Saints

*Matthew 5:1-12; Revelation 7:9-17*

Sermon Notes on Page 17

## COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

## PROPHECY

*Revelation 7:9-17*

*(John's vision of the great multitude in white robes praising God)*

After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people

and language, standing before the Throne and in front of the Lamb.

They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands.

And they cried out in a loud voice:  
 "Salvation belongs to our God, Who sits  
 on the Throne, and to the Lamb."  
 All the angels were standing around the  
 Throne and around the elders and the  
 four living creatures.  
 They fell down on their faces before the  
 Throne and worshiped God, saying:  
 "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and  
 thanks and honor and power and strength  
 be to our God forever and ever. Amen!"  
 Then one of the elders asked me,  
 "These in white robes--who are they, and  
 where did they come from?"  
 I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have  
 come out of the great tribulation; they  
 have washed their robes and made them  
 white in the Blood of the Lamb.  
 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 spread His Tent over them.  
 Never again will they hunger; never again  
 will they thirst. The sun will not beat  
 upon them, nor any scorching heat.  
 For the Lamb at the center of the Throne  
 will be their Shepherd; He will lead them  
 to springs of Living Water. And God will  
 wipe away every tear from their eyes.'"

A This is the Word of the Lord.  
 C **Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN

*For All the Saints* - arr. D. Busarow

**LSB 677**

**V.1 All V.2 Women, Refrain: All V.3 Men, Refrain: All**

**1. 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!**

*2. 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!*

*3. Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
 Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
 And win with them the victor's crown of gold!  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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P We remember those members of Resurrection Lutheran Church who, together with us, stood at the foot of the cross; who heard the Easter truths at the empty tomb; who have gone before us into the heavenly mansions.  
As we celebrate their victory over sin, death and the devil in Jesus Christ; we also remember those friends and family members who have preceded us through the gates of death into Everlasting Life.

*Sandra McLaughlin*

## HYMN

*For All the Saints* - arr. D. Busarow

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*V.4*    *Choir*                      **V.5**    **All**            **V.6**    **All (in harmony)**

*4. Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**5. And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**6. The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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P Let us pray.  
Gracious Father, we remember with thanksgiving before You all those who rejoice with us – but upon another shore, and in a greater light – that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was the Word made flesh; and with Whom, in the Lord Jesus Christ, we are one forevermore. As You have received our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection to Eternal Life, bring us at last with them into the light of Your Presence;

that in union with all Your saints, we may laud and magnify Your Name forever;  
through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

## HYMN

*For All the Saints* - arr. D. Busarow

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*V.7 Choir*

**V.8 All**

*Coda Choir*

*7. But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of Glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**❖ 8. 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!**

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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## ❖ GREETING OF PEACE

All are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (*Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3*)

Any gesture accompanying this greeting (wave, hand over heart with slight bow) is welcome.

## OFFERING

(The offerings of God's people will be received through electronic giving, by postal mail, and in baskets located in the Narthex.)

## MUSICAL OFFERING

*At the River* - A. Copland, arr. R. W. White

Sanctuary Choir

*1. Shall we gather by the river, Where bright angel's feet have trod,  
With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the Throne of God.*

Refrain *Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints by the river That flows by the Throne of God.*

2. *Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease,  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace.*

Refrain *Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints by the river That flows by the Throne of God.*

## ❖ PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and all people according to their needs.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

P Lord, in Your Mercy,  
C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into Your Hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your Mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
C **Amen.**

P Jesus, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

## ❖ LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

## DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

## DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

*O Thou, Whose All-Redeeming Might* 8<sup>th</sup>-century plainsong, arr. D. Blackwell Sanctuary Choir

1. *O Thou, Whose all-redeeming might Crowns every saint in glory bright,  
On this commemoration day Hear us, good Jesus, when we pray.*
2. *Contending for Thy holy name Thy servants earned their saintly fame,  
Which pious hearts with praise revere In constant memory each year.*
3. *Earth's fleeting joys they counted naught, For higher, truer joys they sought,  
And now with Angels round Thy throne, Unfading treasures are their own.*
4. *O grant that we, most Gracious God, May follow in the steps they trod;  
And freed from every stain of sin, As they have won may also win.*
5. *To Thee, O Christ, our Loving King, All glory, praise, and thanks we bring;  
Whom with the Father we adore, And Holy Ghost forevermore. Amen.*

*Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng*

**LSB 813**

**1. Rejoice, O pilgrim throng! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;  
Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.**

*Refrain*

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!**

**2. With voice as full and strong As ocean's surging praise,  
Send forth the sturdy hymns of old, The psalms of ancient days.**

*Refrain*

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!**

**3. With all the angel choirs, With all the saints on earth  
Pour out the strains of joy and bliss, True rapture, noblest mirth.**

*Refrain*

**4. Yet on and onward still, With hymn and chant and song,  
Through gate and porch and columned aisle The hallowed pathways throng.**

*Refrain*

**5. Still lift your standard high, Still march in firm array,  
As pilgrims through the darkness wend Till dawns the golden day.**  
Refrain

**6. At last the march shall end; The wearied ones shall rest;  
The pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest.**  
Refrain

**❖7. Praise Him who reigns on high, The Lord whom we adore:  
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God forevermore.**  
Refrain

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**❖ BENEDICTION**

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you.  
The LORD make His Face to shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.  
**C** Amen.

**❖ HYMN**

*For All Your Saints, O Lord* - arr. V. Nelhybel

**LBW 176**

**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.**

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**P** Go in peace and serve the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

*For All the Saints* - arr. D. Busarow

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I Believe...in the Communion of Saints  
(All Saints' Sunday: Matthew 5:1-12; Revelation 7:9-17)

In the Apostles' Creed we confess that we believe in "the communion of saints." But what is a saint? And what difference does our believing in the communion of saints really make?

1. **On this All Saints' Weekend we \_\_\_\_\_**  
"\_\_\_\_\_." Saints are not only "people in stained glass." In a world where so much *unsaintly* behavior is on display, even ordinary people who have been used by God to testify to the love of Christ and have made a difference in the world are people we cherish and long to hold in our hearts.
2. **On this All Saints' Weekend we \_\_\_\_\_**  
"\_\_\_\_\_ " (Matt 5:1 [4:23 – 25]), **finding rescue in Christ alone.** When Jesus talks about a day that we will...be truly comforted, inherit the earth...be completely filled...receive mercy ourselves...see God...be called 'children of God'...we know He is talking about a *future* day. But in Him, the Kingdom is ours already, right now (Matt 5:3, 10).
3. **On this All Saints' Weekend we \_\_\_\_\_, " \_\_\_\_\_**  
\_\_\_\_\_, " **giving thanks and praising God that His gathering of saints from all nations, tribes, peoples, and languages will one day, in Christ Jesus, be fulfilled before the throne of God our Savior!** Not only can saints be ordinary. They are also sinners who, because of Jesus, are declared holy and called to live that status out (1 Cor 1:2)! Both here and now—and one day, in the new heaven and earth—we praise God's holy name together!

Think of a saint whose story you can talk about and celebrate today.



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