

# ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

PRAISE WORSHIP SERVICE  
NOVEMBER 5, 2023 10:45 AM

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

*\*Parents of small children: Children can and do encounter Jesus during worship. For your convenience, please know that our entryway and a nursery (Room 113) are equipped with an audio reception of the service. We also have activity bags available for their use during worship. Please see an usher for more information.*

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*“Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you.”*

*Romans 15:7*

*Good Shepherd Lutheran Church warmly welcomes people of any age, race, nationality, sexual orientation, life circumstance, and physical or mental capability.*

*If you are visiting with us, we welcome you and we are blessed you are here! If you need any assistance during worship or otherwise, please seek out one of our ushers. If this is your first time with us, please introduce yourself so we can give you a token of our appreciation for spending the morning with us.*

*\* Denotes stand.*

## Gathering

Call to Worship

Praise Team

Welcome

\*Thanksgiving for Baptism

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

**C Amen.**

**P** Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**C Amen.**

*Water is poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.*

**P** We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered

Noah and his family.

Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

\*Gathering Song

“Death Be Never Last”

Words and Music by Ray Makeever  
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### Verse 1

We walk in light of countless faces  
bright as beams of rising sun,  
certain as the morning chases  
night in endless ages' run.

### Refrain

Turning eyes now to their shining mem'ry,  
to their faithful past,  
saints be now the truth divining:  
death be now but never last.

### Verse 2

When sorrow's heavy hand has weighted  
loss against the greater gain,  
pinning down that grief sore fated  
laden on the bed of pain. **Refrain**

### Verse 3

When joy returns with laughter singing  
thanks to God for life's sweet song,  
let us follow after bringing  
thanks to God for those now gone. **Refrain**

\*Greeting

**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.**

## Prayer of the Day

**P** 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. **G Amen.**

## Word

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

Pew Bible, pg. 1122

**L** The word of the Lord. **G Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

Pew Bible, pg. 1111

**L** The word of the Lord. **G Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Sermon

\*Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Pew Bible, pg. 880

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

*At the conclusion of the reading:*

**P** The gospel of the Lord. **G Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

Pastor Karen Boda

\*Song of the Day

"The Prayers of the Saints"

Words and Music by Matt Redman  
© 1998 Thankyou Music

### Verse 1

Are the prayers of the saints  
Like sweet smelling incense  
Are the prayers of the saints  
Like sweet smelling incense to Your heart  
To Your heart

### Verse 2

Are the songs of the saints  
Like sweet smelling incense  
Are the songs of the saints  
Like sweet smelling incense to Your heart  
To Your heart

### Chorus 1

Let these prayers of the saints  
Be sweet smelling incense  
Let these prayers of the saints  
Be sweet smelling incense to Your heart

### Chorus 2

Let these songs of the saints  
Be sweet smelling incense  
Let these songs of the saints  
Be sweet smelling incense to Your heart

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\*Nicene Creed

**G 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.**

## Temple Talk

### Remembrance of Saints

**P** Let us remember all the saints before God.

We praise and bless you, O God. You have taught your Church that it is a communion of saints of all times and all places. We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised. Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you. Help us to remember them as an encouragement to saintly living and to place our hope and trust in you.

**G Amen.**

**P** When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

Let us thank God for the faithful who have died and have now received the fulfillment of the promises God made to them at their baptism.

*The names of all those wishing to be remembered are read as a candle is lit and a bell is rung. After all the final bell is rung, the congregation responds, "We thank you, O God."*

**P** Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.

**G We glorify you.**

**P** Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you.

**G We praise you.**

**P** Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.

**G We worship you.**

**P** To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever.

**G Amen.**

*\*Prayers of Intercession (As the Assisting Minister closes each petition with the words, "Hear us O God," worshippers respond with the words, "your mercy is great.")*

*\*Peace*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **G And also with you.** *(For the health and safety of our members, please greet one another with a friendly word or non-contact gesture of God's peace.)*

## Meal

Offering

Offertory Song

"A Million Saints"

Praise Team

*-By Phil Wickham, Meredith Andrews, Hank Bentley and Mia Fieldes*

*\*Offering Prayer*

**A** God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. **G Amen.**

*\*Words of Institution & Lord's Prayer*

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**G 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

### Communion

#### "Unwavering"

Words and Music by Matt Maher  
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##### Verse 1

Blessed are the poor  
The kingdom is theirs  
Alive in the promise  
To be dead to the world  
Blessed are the meek  
In awe of You Father  
The word at Your right hand  
Spirit of truth

##### Chorus

Unwavering is Your voice  
Unwavering is Your hand  
Unwavering is the heart  
That bled for the sins of man  
Unwavering is Your will  
Unwavering is Your plan

The fount of salvation  
On which we will stand  
(The fount of salvation  
On which we will stand)

##### Verse 2

Blessed are the righteous  
On bended knee  
Found in this freedom  
Committed to You  
Bless'd are those who see  
The heights of glory  
Found in the valley  
And suff'ring for You  
(CHORUS)

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#### "Who You Say I Am"

Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan  
© 2017 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia

##### Verse 1

Who am I that the highest King  
Would welcome me  
I was lost but He brought me in  
Oh His love for me  
Oh His love for me

##### Chorus 1

Who the Son sets free  
Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am

##### Verse 2

Free at last  
He has ransomed me  
His grace runs deep  
While I was a slave to sin  
Jesus died for me  
Yes He died for me

##### Chorus 2

Who the Son sets free  
Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am  
In my Father's house  
There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God  
Yes I am

##### Bridge

I am chosen not forsaken  
I am who You say I am  
You are for me not against me  
I am who You say I am  
(Oh) I am who You say I am  
Yes, I am who You say I am.  
(Chorus 2)

**Verse 1**

Come set Your rule and reign  
In our hearts again  
Increase in us we pray  
Unveil why we're made  
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope  
Like wildfire in our very souls  
Holy Spirit come invade us now  
We are Your church  
We need Your pow'r in us

**Chorus**

Build Your kingdom here  
Let the darkness fear  
Show Your mighty hand  
Heal our streets and land  
Set Your church on fire  
Win this nation back  
Change the atmosphere  
Build Your kingdom here we pray

**Verse 2**

We seek Your kingdom first  
We hunger and we thirst  
Refuse to waste our lives  
For You're our joy and prize  
To see the captives' hearts released  
The hurt the sick the poor at peace  
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause  
We are Your church  
We pray revive this earth

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**\*Post Communion Blessing**

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

**\*Prayer After Communion**

☞ Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. ☞ **Amen.**

**Announcements**

*Sending*

**\*Blessing**

☞ May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. ☞ **Amen.**

**\*Sending Song**

**"For All The Saints"**

Words by William W. How and Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams  
Music © Oxford University Press, ELW 422 vss 1,3,5,6

**Verse 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!

**Verse 5**

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;  
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Verse 3**

Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,  
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Verse 6**

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!

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**\*Dismissal**

☞ Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. ☞ Thanks be to God.



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