

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY (observed)  
NOVEMBER 5, 2023

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, FALLS CHURCH, VA



PRELUDE

*We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God*

Setting: Paul D. Weber

WELCOME

ENTRANCE HYMN (Stand) *We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God*

LSB 941

- 1 We praise You and acknowledge You, O God, to be the Lord,  
The Father everlasting, by all the earth adored.  
To You all angel powers cry aloud, the heavens sing,  
The cherubim and seraphim their praises to You bring:  
“O holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Your majesty and glory fill the heavens and the earth!”
- 2 The band of the apostles in glory sing Your praise;  
The fellowship of prophets their deathless voices raise.  
The martyrs of Your kingdom, a great and noble throng,  
Sing with the holy Church throughout all the world this song:  
“O all-majestic Father, Your true and only Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Comforter—forever Three in One!”
- 3 You, Christ, are King of glory, the everlasting Son,  
Yet You, with boundless love, sought to rescue ev’ryone:  
You laid aside Your glory, were born of virgin’s womb,  
Were crucified for us and were placed into a tomb;  
Then by Your resurrection You won for us reprieve—  
You opened heaven’s kingdom to all who would believe.
- 4 You sit in splendid glory, enthroned at God’s right hand,  
Upholding earth and heaven by forces You command.  
We know that You will come as our Judge that final day,  
So help Your servants You have redeemed by blood, we pray;  
May we with saints be numbered where praises never end,  
In glory everlasting. Amen, O Lord, amen!

## 8:00 SERVICE

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

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

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

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**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.**

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.

**Amen.**

## 10:30 SERVICE

### BAPTISMAL DESCRIPTION

### PRESENTATION FOR BAPTISM

### QUESTION TO PARENTS AND SPONSORS

### PROFESSION OF FAITH *(The Pastor addresses the baptismal group and the congregation)*

Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil and all his empty promises?

**I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**✠ THE BAPTISM ✠**

***Charlotte Ruth Repper***

*(Daughter of Brian and Christine Repper)*

**WELCOME BY THE CONGREGATION**

**We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.**

**8:00 & 10:30 SERVICE**

**KYRIE**

LSB 152

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

or the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

**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.**

*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God,,

**You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



*THE LITURGY OF THE WORD*

*FIRST LESSON (Be seated)*

Revelation 7:9-17

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, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 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, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" 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.

"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.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.

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."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Jubilation Choir

Jubilate Deo (Psalm 100)

Setting: Dale Wood

O sing to the Lord with a jubilant voice.  
Glory to God in the highest!  
O serve him with gladness, before him rejoice.  
Praise to the Lord in the highest!  
The Lord is our God, our Creator, not we.  
Glory to God in the highest!  
The sheep of his pasture we ever shall be.  
Praise to the Lord in the highest!

O enter his gates with thanksgiving and praise.  
Glory to God in the highest!  
To honor his name thankful voices we raise.  
Praise to the Lord in the highest!  
For good is the Lord, and his mercy is sure.  
Glory to God in the highest!  
To all generations his truth shall endure.  
Glory to God! Glory to God!  
Praise to the Lord in the highest!

SECOND LESSON

1 John 3:1-3

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. 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. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE (Stand) For All the Saints Sts. 1-3

LSB 677

- 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!**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mathew the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter  
**Glory to You, O Lord.**

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

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

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

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

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

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

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

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

### SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY (Stand) For All the Saints Sts. 4-8*

LSB 677

**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!
- 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!

#### OFFERING

*Offerings support the church's mission work – both here and through our many partners. Offerings may be placed in the box at the sanctuary entrance or sent to the church through our website or the mail. Fellowship Cards help us welcome new people and track participation. Please fill one out and place it in the offering box following the service.*

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*In our time of prayer, we remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith. God gave new life to them through Holy Baptism, nourished them in the company of His people at His holy table, and in His mercy summoned them to His eternal presence so that they may continue to serve Him forever.*

*Those members and former members of St. Paul's  
receiving Christian burial this past year:*

Norman "Trey" Armstrong III, Bob Brown, Gloria Farbstein,  
Frederick "Fred" Frank, Patricia "Pat" Frank, William "Bill" Gratz

*also in our prayers are loved ones of our parishioners  
who died this past year:*

Nancy Frenze, Mary Ann Morris, Sugna Paul Christian, Dennis Shaltanis,  
Alice Smith, Oliver Solanky, Aleksander Taranov



Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

*The response to each petition will be:*

“Lord, in your mercy,”  
“hear our prayer.”

*OFFERTORY (Stand) Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

LSB 955

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
And fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
That we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;  
Unite them with the prayers we offer now.  
Grace our table with Your presence, and give us  
A foretaste of the feast to come.**



*THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION*

*PREFACE*

*LSB 160*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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:

**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

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

*LORD'S PRAYER*

**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.**

*PAX DOMINI*

LSB 163

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

*AGNUS DEI*

LSB 163

**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 (Be seated)*

*Those wishing to commune at the foot of the steps should come forward first. Those wishing to commune at the altar rail should come forward after these, front rows first, from both sides of the aisle. After receiving, all should return to their seats. A common dismissal will be given at the end.*

- 1 O gracious Lord, with love draw near  
To these, Your children gathered here;  
The Spirit's gift in them renew:  
The gift of faith that clings to You.**
- 2 Sustain the work You have begun  
In these united to Your Son,  
For in that pure baptismal flood  
They have been cleansed by Jesus' blood.**
- 3 Deliver them from ev'ry wile,  
From all that would their hearts beguile,  
From worldly ways and Satan's lies,  
That they may not Your Word despise.**
- 4 Lord, keep them firm in their intent  
To You, Your Word and Sacrament.  
O make them bold, their faith to share  
And make them strong, each cross to bear.**
- 5 O Father, grant that by Your grace  
They may Your will each day embrace;  
With fruits of faith their lives now bless,  
Till they at death Your name confess.**
- 6 Then robed in white before Your throne,  
Your holy saints, by You foreknown—  
Predestined, called, and justified,  
Shall, crowned in light, be glorified.**

*NUNC DIMITTIS (Stand)*

LSB 165

**Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.  
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry  
people:  
A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

*POST-COMMUNION COLLECT*

*BENEDICTION*

*SENDING HYMN*

*Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses*

LSB 667

- 1** Saints, see the cloud of witnesses surround us;  
Their lives of faith encourage and astound us.  
Hear how the Master praised their faith so fervent:  
“Well done, My servant!”
- 2** These saints of old received God’s commendation;  
They lived as pilgrim-heirs of His salvation.  
Through faith they conquered flame and sword and gallows,  
God’s name to hallow.
- 3** They call to us, “Your timid footsteps lengthen;  
Throw off sin’s weight, your halting weakness strengthen.  
We kept the faith, we shed our blood, were martyred;  
Our lives we bartered.”
- 4** Come, let us fix our sight on Christ who suffered,  
He faced the cross, His sinless life He offered;  
He scorned the shame, He died, our death enduring,  
Our hope securing.
- 5** Lord, give us faith to walk where You are sending,  
On paths unmarked, eyes blind as to their ending;  
Not knowing where we go, but that You lead us—  
With grace precede us.
- 6** You, Jesus, You alone deserve all glory!  
Our lives unfold, embraced within Your story;  
Past, present, future—You, the same forever—  
You fail us never!

*ANNOUNCEMENTS (Be seated)*

*DISMISSAL*

Those serving:

Sunday, November 5, 8:00 a.m.:

Greeter: Michael Chamberlain

Comm. assist: Dede Dixon

Reader: Norm Williams

Acolyte: Kaydyn Godbee

10:30 a.m.:

Greeter: Aaron Siebrass

Comm. assist: Jill Hecht

Reader: Bill Muller

Acolyte: Augie Jansen

AV Assistants: Hannes Buuck

Andreas Buuck

*Flowers: With thankfulness to God for his many gifts including our beautiful fall season as well as the approaching Thanksgiving holiday. Marge Glass*

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