All Saints Sunday November 2, 2025



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UNITED by Christ, God call us to LOVE one another
As we RECEIVE, DISCOVER and PROCLAIM God's Word.

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,
you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom
of your faithful promises.
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
Repair our relationships,
restore what we have broken,

restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.

Amen.

Hear the good news:
God the Faithful One loves you,

→ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

For All Your Saints, O Lord ELW #427 (Vs. 1, 2 & 3)

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE ELW page 138

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

You Servants of God ELW #825 (Vs. 4)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray

Amen.

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

FIRST READING—Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

¹ In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ² I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³ and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶ I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷ "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

Word of God. Word of Life **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM—Psalm 149

- ¹ Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.
- ² Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.
- ³ Let them praise their maker's name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.
- ⁴ For the LORD takes pleasure in the people and adorns the poor with victory.

- ⁵ Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them sing for joy on their beds.
- ⁶ Let the praises of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand,
- ⁷ to wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,
- 8 to bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron,
- ⁹ to inflict on them the judgment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING—Ephesians 1:11-23

After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Word of God. Word of Life **Thanks be to God!**

The Holy Gospel according to the sixth chapter of Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL—Luke 6:20-31

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

²⁰ Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

²² "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ "But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

25 "Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

 $^{26}\,\mbox{``Woe}$ to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

²⁷ "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE Rev. Sam Mailleue

HYMN OF THE DAY

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine ELW #774 (Vs. 1 & 3)

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ALL SAINTS CANDLES OF REMEMBRANCE

Listen to these words of hope from the book of Revelation:

¹ Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," [a] for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming of down out of heaven from God, ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, ⁴ 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' [b] or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Today we light these candles in remembrance of our friends and loved ones, saints who have gone before us in death and who have joined with Christ in life everlasting. Especially Lois Johnson, Robert Dunning, Marian Alinder, Sharon Pinney, Terry Neal, Marsha Sullivan, Dee Hagger, Elaine Buley, Jim Hamilton and baptized Rosemary Montag.

At the rising of the sun and at its going down...

We will remember them.

At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter...

We will remember them.

At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring. . .

We will remember them.

At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer...

We will remember them.

At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn.

We will remember them.

At the beginning of the year and when it ends...

We will remember them, for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.

When we are weary and in need of strength...

We will remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart...

We will remember them.

When we have joy and wish to share it...

We will remember them.

When we have decisions that are difficult to make...

We will remember them.

When we have achievements that are based on their work.

We will remember them.

For as long as we live, they too will live.

For they are now a part of us as we remember them.

THE 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

THE PRAYERS

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of your church. Move through us with boldness so that we proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world. Renew and revive pastors, deacons, and lay leaders. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policy that will ensure a viable future for generations to come. Restore desolate places to health and flourishing.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of all our days, guide the leaders of governments, nations, municipalities, and all those seeking office. Accompany election officials and volunteers. Dismantle injustice and oppression wherever it is found.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care especially those affected by Hurricane Melissa. Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of time and space, we give thanks for the faithful departed. Sustain us in hope of our eternal unity in Christ.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

(Vs. 4)

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry,
promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.
Nourish us with the abundance of your feast
and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior,
now and forever.
Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW page 144

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 our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy, holy, holy ELW page 144

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNON

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

Lamb of God ELW page 146

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.

Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

When the Saints Go Marching In (Vs. 1, 2 & 4)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to First Lutheran Church

Whether you are looking for a place of worship or are just passing through, we hope our service has blessed you on your journey as your presence has been a blessing to us.



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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

November Ministry Focus: Adopt-A-Family

Each November, our congregation at First Lutheran Church is invited to live out our ELCA commitment to loving and serving our neighbors through the Adopt-a-Family Christmas program. In partnership with Le Sueur County Human Services, we help provide clothing and essentials for children whose families need extra support during the holiday season. Each year the number of children in need grows, and this year our church will again adopt families. Last year our congregation provided gifts for 20 kids!

Beginning in mid-November, you can choose a gift tag from the Giving Tree in the Gathering space or sign up online through Sign-Up Genius. The link will be shared by email, on our website, and on social media. Each tag includes a gift number and the child's specific wishes.

We also gratefully accept cash donations. Clearly mark contributions with "Adopt-a-Family" so that we can purchase any remaining gifts on behalf of the congregation. Many of the children will ask for winter essentials like coats, hats, mittens, boots, and other clothing items.

Altar flowers today are given by LeRoy & Joan May in honor of their 54th wedding anniversary.

Financial Update			
		Budget Amount	
Week of	Amount Received	Needed	
10-26-2025	\$1,690	\$4,542	
YTD	\$182,451	\$199,830	

Year to Date Financial Results				
Month Ending	Actual Received	Actual Expense	Net Gain/(Loss)	
9-30-2025	\$171,572	\$171,121	\$451	

As we remember the faithful who have gone before us, we also rejoice to be called saints of God through baptism.



Weekly Schedule

Sunday, November 2 Worship w/Holy Communion 9:00a **All Saints' Sunday**

> First Choir Rehearsal 10:15a

Wednesday, November 5 Staff Meeting 9:00a

Meal @ UMC 6:00p

RISE 6:30-7:30p 6:30-8p RISE UP 6:30-8p **FLY**

Saturday, November 8 Sleep In Heavenly Peace Bed Build 10a-1p

Sunday, November 9 Worship 9:00a

> Bible Study with Pr. Sam 10:15a

Worship Assistants

November 2, 2025

Organist/Pianist: Virginia Miller First Choir Director: Jennifer Weick

Vance Vanden Einde Acolvtes: Reader:

Gene Dwyer

Usher: Chuck Frauendienst

Edrie Barton Greeters: Rachel Wagner

Communion Asst: Steve & Kim Alinder

Council Member: Megan Schwarz Fellowship: Tolzman's Projection: Tech Team Audio: Tech Team Videographer: **Becky Pollack**

Offering Counters: Bob Patrias Dave Johnson

Altar Guild: **Edrie Barton**

Rachel Wagner

November 9, 2025

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