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November 2, 2025

All Saints Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion Setting 10 - ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship Year C)

INTRODUCTION

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.

PRELUDE

Announcements are on pages 17-18.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

Please stand if you are able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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, 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.

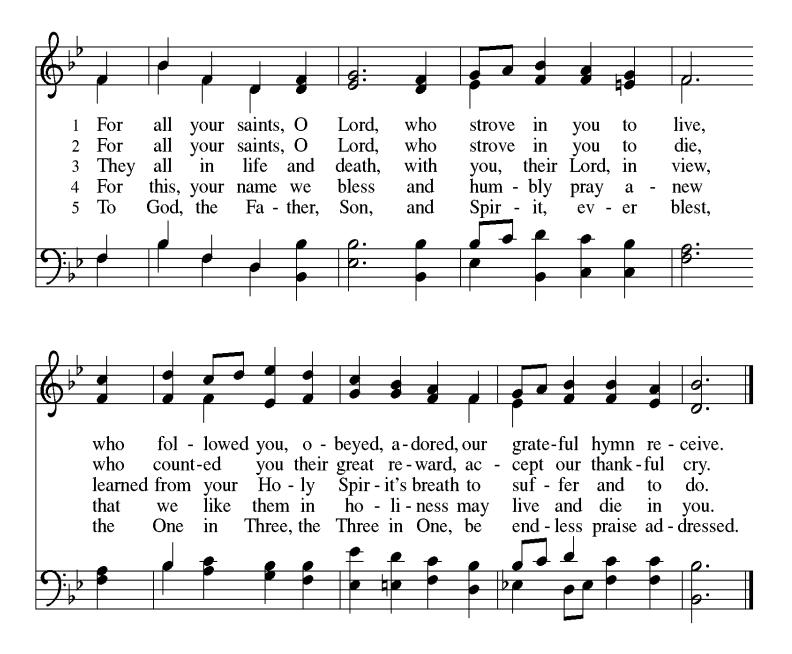
GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

For All Your Saints, O Lord

ELW 427

For All Your Saints, O Lord



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Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893

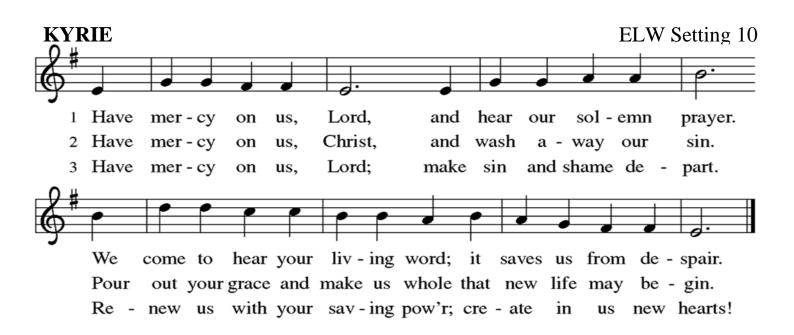
GREETING

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.

CHILDREN GO TO JAM

The Children are invited to come forward. The children are dismissed for Children's Jam, Sunday School, returning during the Peace.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 149

Read responsively

¹Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD | a new song,

God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

²Let Israel rejoice in their maker;

let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

³Let them praise their maker's name with dancing;

let them sing praise with tambou- rine and harp.

⁴For the LORD takes pleasure in the people and adorns the poor with victory.

⁵Let the faithful re- joice in triumph;

let them sing for joy on their beds.

⁶Let the praises of God be | in their throat and a two-edged sword | in their hand,

7to wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

⁸to bind their | kings in chains

and their nobles with | links of iron,

⁹to inflict on them the judg- ment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



The Holy gospel according to Luke, the 6th Chapter.

Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31
The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you O Christ.

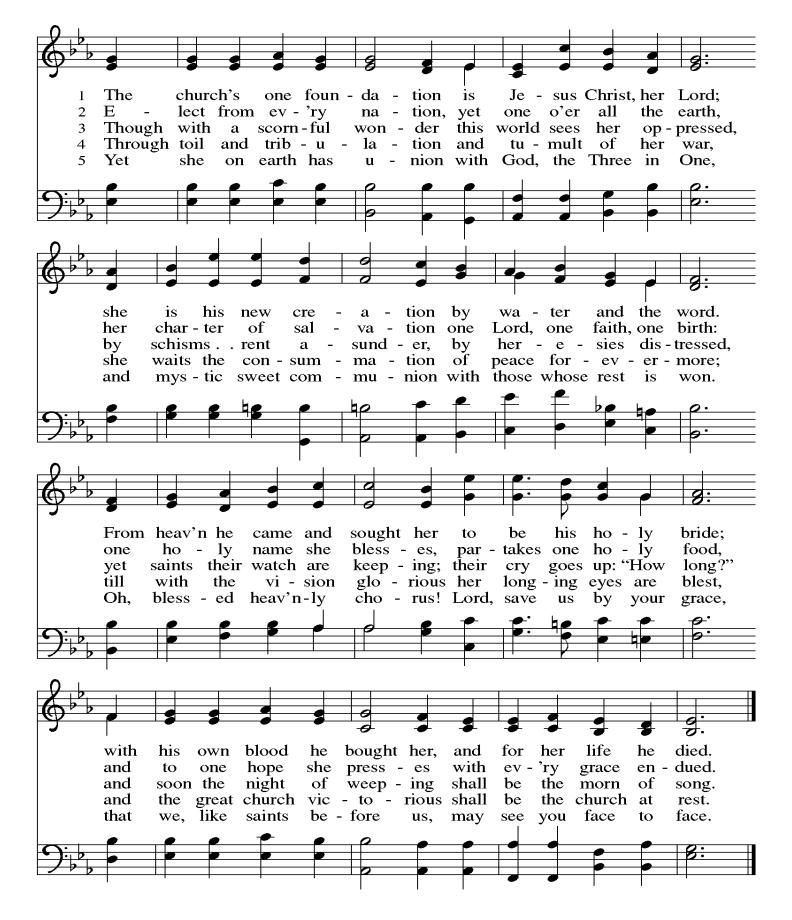
Please be seated.

SERMON Pastor Karen Matuska

A brief silence for reflection.

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Church's One Foundation



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 into hell.

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.

Please be seated.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence

Each petition ends:

Hear us, O God,

Your mercy is great.

Prayers conclude with:

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

Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say:

Peace be with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC

Special Piano Music

Please stand if you are able.

OFFERTORY ELW 253

He Came Down



- 1 He came down that we may have love;
- 2 He came down that we may have light;
- 3 He came down that we may have peace;
- 4 He came down that we may have joy;

he came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have light;

he came down that we may have peace;

he came down that we may have joy;



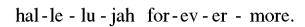


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Text: Cameroon traditional

Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional; arr. John L. Bell, b. 1949

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OFFERING 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.

DIALOGUE

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.

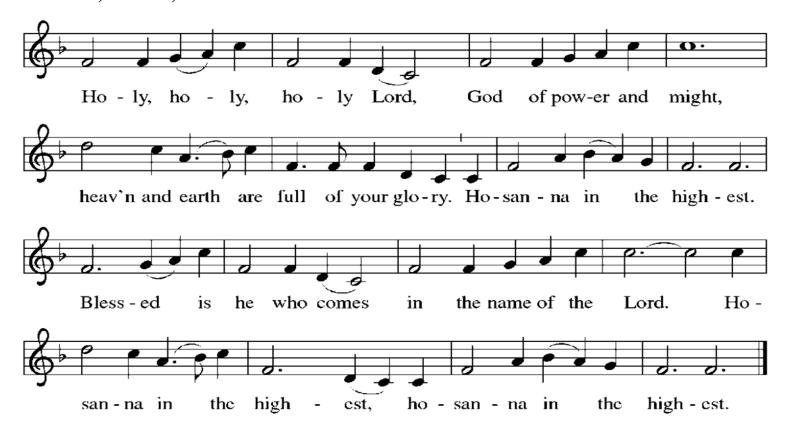
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with (______ and) all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

We give you thanks, Father...

... gather into one all who share this bread and wine.

Through him all glory and honor are yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church both now and forever.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

The Lord's table is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

Please let the usher know if you need assistance.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION SONG





you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray. you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray. e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

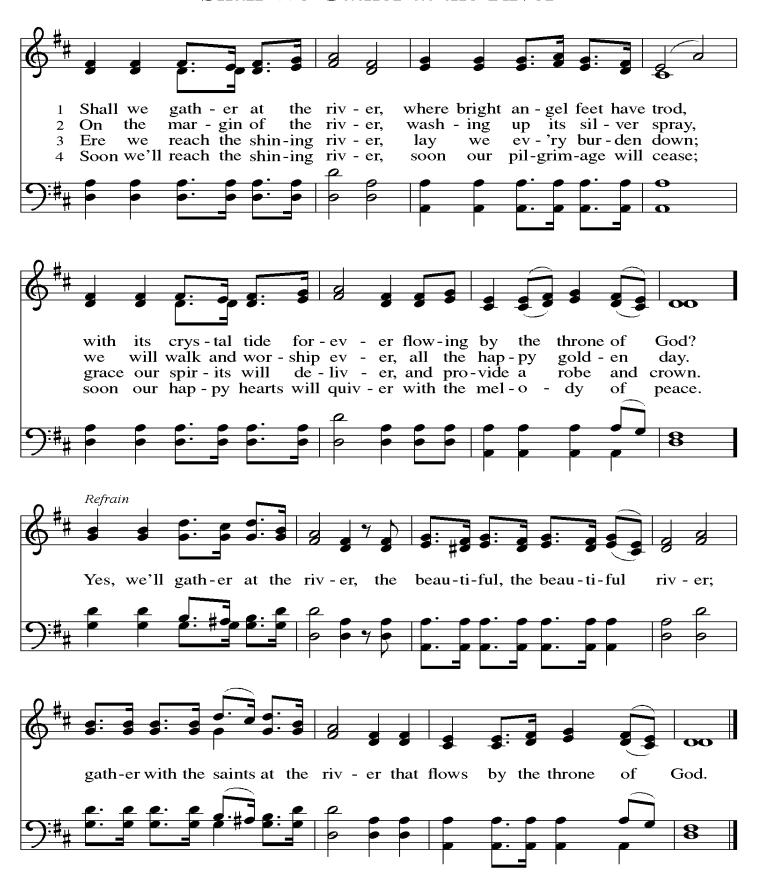
COMMUNION HYMN

Shall We Gather at the River

ELW 423

Please repeat until Communion is complete

Shall We Gather at the River



Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899 Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

SENDING

Please stand if you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

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

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.

SENDING HYMN ELW 414

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

Disciples Serving: Today Next Sunday Gwen Hedding Presider/Supply Pastor Karen Matuska Assisting Minister: Riley Dunton Ryan Kessinger Dr. J. Michael Beck Dr. J. Michael Beck Pianist: Altar Guild: Cassie Walgren Cassie Walgren **Tony Martinet** Tony Martinet Ushers/Greeters:

Counters/Posters: Karen Dunton/Cassie Walgen Lynn Truxell/Leanne Neu

JAM: Leanne Neu/Connie Wisthoff Children's Sermon

PRAYERS

Members, Friends and Relatives	Added by Members
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Robert Bogusch	Nephew of Kathy Lambert
Emily Briggs & Family	People of Tabor
Pam Cardinal	Sister of Clay Kashner
Devin Caveza	Grandson of Tony Martinet
John Centa	Bowens Family
Sandy, Tyler and Tori English	Friends of Emily Briggs
Virgie Giannetto	Lynn Truxell
Vicki Granato	Michelle Vargues
Larry Hall	Bowens Family
Brian & Geri Helm	Bowens Family
Nina Jesmain	People of Tabor
Etta Kay Johnson	Sister-in-law of Linda Johnson
Clay Kashner	People of Tabor
Sue Kastelic	People of Tabor
Kathy Laney & Family	Connie Wisthoff
DJ Nichols	Truxell Family
Will Nichols	Truxell & Vargues Families
Evelyn Omey	Twin sister of Shirley Bass
Andrea Pitre	Friend of Emily Briggs
Pam Salas	People of Tabor
Family of Cheryl Salay	People of Tabor
Starcher Family	Friends of Emily Briggs
Caitlan Thorne & Family	Granddaughter of Kathy Lambert
Justin, Harper & Hazel Tolan	Grandson/Great-granddaughters of Denise
	Tristano
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Charlotte Vargues	People of Tabor
Linda Wagner	Lynn Truxell
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Sister of Ruth Valencia

Sandra Zupan

ANNIVERSARIES

November 4

Ryan & Chris Kessinger

8 years

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † JAM starts today and will go through May 2026. JAM sessions will be held during worship on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month. Children's sermons will be on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.
- † The sign-up sheet for JAM teachers and helpers is in the Narthex. Please fill in any open times.
- † Tabor's Annual Congregational Election meeting will be held on Sunday, November 9, 2025 immediately following worship. Please plan on attending.
- † The Christmas Program will be on December 14 during worship. All ages are welcome to participate. If you would like to participate, please contact Cyrisse.
- † The first Christmas Program practice will be held on November 30 during JAM. The second practice will be held in the sanctuary date and time TBA.



On All Saints Sunday we remember loved ones who have been laid in the tomb. We know the acute grief of Mary, Martha, and Jesus. We know the reality of death that lies so close. We know that at any moment the phone call could come with news we dread. We live forever in the shadow of death.

At the same time, we also know the little deaths that take place every day. We know the daily disappointments, the betrayal of a friend, a failure at work, a difficult and tumultuous marriage, the loneliness and pain of one longing for something more from life. Beyond that there are the near-constant reminders that much of this world is far from God's kingdom. How easy it is to look and see poverty and injustice, disease and despair all around. Like Lazarus, we are bound tightly in death's clothes: grief, disappointment, hopelessness.

Yet Jesus speaks the last word for us: "Unbind him, and let him go" (John 11:44). This promise is bursting with resurrecting life. This word is spoken by the one who became human and was put in a tomb, but broke through the pervasive stench of death. In the waters of the font, we hear our God speak this word to us. Lifting us out of the waters, God frees us from the binding rags of death and dresses us in the royal clothing of Christ. At the table, we feast with the God in whom we have waited, the God who swallows up death forever. The last word is not death, but life as a beloved child of God.

Clothed in the righteousness of Christ, God's people are called forth from the grave. Fellow saints rush forward to remove the rotting grave clothes. Together the people of God celebrate the hope and promise of resurrection, rising each new day to joyfully serve in the name of the one who is beyond death, Jesus our Savior.