



All Saints' Sunday

Immanuel Lutheran Church ELCA
Forest City, Iowa

Pastors Rod Hopp & Zech Anderson, Intern Elizabeth Carr

November 5, 2023 9:15am

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Building community in the name and likeness of Jesus Christ.

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

L: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. 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.

C: We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life!

L: 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.

C: We praise you for the gift of water that transforms life.

L: 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.

C: We praise you that through water and your word, we are washed and given new and abundant life.

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

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: **"For All the Saints"**

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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.**

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.**

⁶I called in my affliction, and ¹ the LORD heard me
and saved me from ¹ all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who ¹ fear the LORD
and de- ¹ livers them.

⁸**Taste and see that the ¹ LORD is good;**
happy are they who take ref- ¹ uge in God!

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints ¹ of the LORD,
for those who fear the ¹ LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰**The lions are in want and ¹ suffer hunger,**
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing ¹ that is good.

²²O LORD, you redeem the life ¹ of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will ¹ not be punished.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3 *We are God's children*

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12 *Blessed are the poor in spirit*

*Announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.***

*Conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.***

CHILDREN'S SERMON / SERMON

Intern Elizabeth

HYMN OF THE DAY: **"Give Thanks for Saints"**

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: *L: Hear us, O God.* **C: Your mercy is great**

Ruby Sue Albertsen

Parker Farland

Tim Schmidt

Hazel Barloon

Joyce Kasper

Jennie Spencer

Liam Bartleson

Chris McCormick

Marie Thayer

Danny Buckman

Kris Monson

Ernie Uetz

Hayden Despenas

Jill (Lewison) Nedved

Missionary Karen Anderson

Connie Nyhus

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SHARING OF THE PEACE: *L: The peace of Christ be with you always.* **C: And also with you.**

OFFERING: "Old Time Religion"

Choir

OFFERTORY: "As Saints of Old"

#695 (vs. 1-2)

OFFERING PRAYER

L: God of all goodness,

C: 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. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION / LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION SONGS:	"Shall We Gather at the River"	#423
	"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"	#461
	"Sing with All the Saints in Glory"	#426

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

SENDING SONG: **"Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In"**

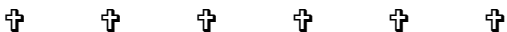
- 1 Oh, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.
- 2 Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes,
O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the Lord in glory comes.
- 3 Oh, when the new world is revealed, oh, when the new world is revealed,
O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the new world is revealed.
- 4 Oh, when they gather round the throne, oh, when they gather round the throne,
O Lord, I want to be in that number, when they gather round the throne.
- 5 And on that hallelujah day, and on that hallelujah day,
O Lord, I want to be in that number, on that hallelujah day.

Text: African American spiritual

BLESSING

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

POSTLUDE



Today's worship is broadcast at 11:00am over KIOW 107.3 FM. Broadcast is given by Bernie & Karen Kofron.

Altar flowers are given in celebration of Gerald Barth's 95th birthday (Nov. 4) from Gerald & Helen's sons.

Worship Participants:

Ushers: Joe Strukel, Jacob Beenken, Ella Beenken

Greeter: Shirley Rollefson

Piano: Riley Walton

Choir Director: Linda Ferjak

Sound/Video Techs: Karl Wooldridge,

Communion Servers: Matt Welp, Joan Beebe

Altar Care: Joan Beebe

Song Leaders: Scott Bertelson, Jaci Thorson

Assisting Minister: Cindi Lehmann

Scripture Reader: Mary Kingland

Communion Set Up: Ruth Melby