

Zion Lutheran Church

413 Avenue D East

Bismarck, ND 58501

November 1, 2020 – 8:30 am

All Saints' Day

OPENING HYMN

“Children of the Heavenly Father” *LSB 725*

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION

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

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C 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.

ABSOLUTION

P 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.

C Amen.

INTROIT (*Psalm 86:11-15; Antiphon: Psalm 86:6*)

P They overcame him by the blood | of the Lamb*

C and by the word of their testi- | mony,

P They did not | love their lives*

C even | unto death.

P Rejoice in the Lord, O you | righteous!*

C For praise from the upright is | beautiful.

P The Lord looks from | heaven;*

C He sees all the | sons of men.

P From the place of His dwell- | ing He looks*

C on all the inhabitants | of the earth;

P He fashions their hearts indi- | vidualy;*

C He considers | all their works.

P Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

C and to the Holy | Spirit;

P as it was in the be- | ginning,*

C is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P They overcame him by the blood | of the Lamb*

C and by the word of their testi- | mony,

P They did not | love their lives*

C even | unto death.

KYRIE

V In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

V 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.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Amen.

THIS IS THE FEAST

C 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.

SALUTATION

V The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

V Let us pray. O Almighty God, You have knit together Your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those unspeakable joys which 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.

C Amen.

THE FIRST READING – Revelation 7:2-17

V Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel: 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed, 12,000 from the tribe of Reuben, 12,000 from the tribe of Gad, 12,000 from the tribe of Asher, 12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali, 12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh, 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon, 12,000 from the tribe of Levi, 12,000 from the tribe of Issachar, 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun, 12,000 from the tribe of Joseph, 12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed. 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.”

V This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

V Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God!*

C How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable | his ways!

V For from him and through him and to him are | all things.*

C To him be glory forever. | Amen.

EPISTLE READING – John 3:1-3

V 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.

V This is the word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL – Matthew 5:1-12

V The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, fifth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

V 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.”

V This is the gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ

HYMN OF THE DAY

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” *LSB 575*

1 My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus’ name. *Refrain*

Ref: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev’ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*

3 His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood;
When ev’ry earthly prop gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*

4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne! *Refrain*

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THE SERMON “Fix Your Hope”

1 John 3:1-3

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life T of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN

"For All the Saints" St. 1-2 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! Text: Public domain

COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Pastor: On this Day of All Saints, we remember with thanksgiving those of our parish who have gone before us with the sign of faith. They were created by God to offer Him praise forever, redeemed by Jesus, God's Son, and filled with the Holy Spirit through Baptism, where God gave them new life. They have been nourished in the company of His people through the Lord's Supper and the Word, and in His mercy God has summoned them to His presence that they may continue in joyful service to Him forever. We especially remember this day:

+ THE ROLL-CALL OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED +

+ ELAINE BAUER +
entered life February 6, 2020

"Let not your hearts be troubled.

Believe in God; believe also in me."

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me." *John 14:1, 6*

+ WALTER SCHRAMM +
entered life February 20, 2020

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,

and all these things will be added to you." *Matthew 6:33*

+ BURT SIEMS +
entered life March 16, 2020

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,

and all these things will be added to you." *Matthew 6:33*

+ LAVERNA KNAPP +
entered life March 20, 2020

"The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not want." *Psalms 23:1*

**+ RODGER BUCHHOLZ +
entered life March 31, 2020**

"But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness.

Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses."

1 Timothy 6:11,12

**+ DOLORES ROSIN +
entered life April 21, 2020**

"And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell.

But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." *Joshua 24:15*

**+ ELMER EISEMAN+
entered life May 14, 2020**

"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." *1 John 3:1*

**+ MARLENE TSCHAEKOFKSKE +
entered life June 17, 2020**

"For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers,

nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." *Romans 8:38-39*

**+ ROBERT MEHRER +
entered life July 2, 2020**

"Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world." *John 11:25-27*

**+ DUANE BOHRER +
entered life August 6, 2020**

"Be faithful, even to the point of death,

and I will give you the crown of life." *Revelation 2:10b*

**+ DAVID SCHLECHT +
entered life August 8, 2020**

"For everything there is a season,

and a time for every matter under heaven." *Ecclesiastes 3:1*

**+ PATRICIA SWANSON +
entered life September 25, 2020**

"The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures." *Psalms 23:1-2*

**+ GREGORY FRANKLUND +
entered life September 30, 2020**

"I am the good shepherd.

The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." *John 10:11*

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, who by Your death have taken away the sting of death: Grant to us Your servants so to follow in faith where You have led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in You, and awake after Your likeness; to You, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be all glory in the Church now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN

"For All the Saints" St. 8: *LSB 677*

Δ 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! Text: Public domain

THE PRAYERS

V Lord in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

C **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?**
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

V The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
V Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
V Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

C **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

V 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.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P 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."

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C 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

HYMN

LSB 618 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

1 I come, O Savior, to Thy table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain

ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;
So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain

3 Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain

4 Weary am I and heavy laden;
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously and gladden
My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain

5 What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain

HYMN

LSB 637 "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;
Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields;
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- 3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

THANK THE LORD

- C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- V We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTION

- V The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

HYMN

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" LSB 685 vs 1 & 4

- 1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where You guide.
- 4 Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.
Jesus, You are now our head.

**We are Your own living members;
Where You live, there we shall be
In Your presence constantly,
Living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be,
Life eternal grant to me.**

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