November 7, 2021 | Sunday Bulletin

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song ELW #422:1, 3, 7

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!

Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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!

Invocation

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

Amen.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters.

By your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and gives us new life in Jesus Christ.

Shower us with your Spirit and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace and love.

To you, O God, be given honor and praise, now and forever.

Amen.

<u>Greeting</u>

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.

Commemoration of the Saints

On this All Saints Sunday, we celebrate the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ, here at Faith-Lilac Way.

Alleluia. ELW #175

We give thanks for those who have been baptized, including Sutton Rose Anderson and others in our community.

We celebrate with those who are affirming their baptism today:

Kaitlyn Bahneman Lydia Foster

Alleluia. ELW #175

We remember those who have died and whose lives we celebrated in the past year.

Cody PetersonSteven HommeDiane CarlsonJosh LuomaBeverly EvansGloria VoeltzRamona AndersonJane Bork

George Bork Craig Blackman

Robert (Bob) Fernelius

We light an additional candle for other loved ones who have died, as we name them silently or aloud. As we sing, you are invited to light a candle in the window in memory or in honor of a loved one.

Alleluia. ELW #175

Prayer of the Day

God of unfailing light,

in your realm, the poor are blessed, the hungry filled, and every tear is wiped away. Strengthened by this vision, may we follow in the way of Christ, the path that leads to the cross and eternal life. Amen.

Psalm of Thankfulness and Gratitude Psalm 30

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

When we give God thanks, we are remembering that God has acted and will continue to act in loving and faithful ways for us and our neighbors too.

Refrain

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Cantor: Refrain

All: Refrain

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me

to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

All: Refrain

As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."

By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain;

you hid your face; I was dismayed.

To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:

"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit?

Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!"

All: Refrain

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

All: *Refrain* (NRSV)

Lesson Revelation 21:1-6a

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. (NRSV)

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel John 11:32-44

The holy gospel according to John 11th Chapter **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him and let him go." (NRSV)

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Pam Stalheim Lane

Hymn of the Day

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, King of my heart. Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, never to part. Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, light of my life. Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, King of my heart. Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, never to part.

Affirmation of Baptism ELW page 234

Creed

This statement of faith was written by Kaitlyn Bahneman and Lydia Foster for this day as they affirm their baptism.

Do you believe in God the Father?

We believe in a loving God.

God, you created everything and everyone. God, you protect and shield us from all evil. God, you guide and accept us with open arms.

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

We believe in Jesus Christ.

Jesus, you are our savior, who sacrificed yourself so that we may be with you forever. Jesus, you are our teacher, who shows us the way. Jesus, you are the bread of life who provides for us and sustains us. Jesus you are our anchor who provides grounding for us. Jesus you are the light of the world who shines with grace and love.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

We believe in the Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit, you have spoken through the prophets, you have kept us in the true faith. You are the healer of our hurts and sorrows. You forgive our sins. You have called us through the Gospel and given us new life in Christ.

We believe in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

<u>Prayers of the People</u>

... Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Confident that you hear us, O God . . . through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. **Amen.**

Offering

We worship God by supporting our church and the mission we share. Our November mission outside our doors is the Lutheran University in Nigeria. Our Synod's international partner, the Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria, received permission to build this school, filling a huge gap in accessibility to education, but they can't do it without the help of all of us.

Offering Response ELW #678

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store: nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,

costly cross, grave's shattered door, gifted by you, we turn to you, off'ring up ourselves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Generous God,

Teach us to share the gifts you have given us. Bless and multiply these gifts so that we may bless others with the gifts you first gave us. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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

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.

Sharing Communion

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Blessed Jesus,

at this table, you are both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet. Amen.

Sending Song

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.

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.

And on that hallelujah day, and on that hallelujah day, O Lord, I want to be in that number, on that hallelujah day.

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.

Blessing

Holy God, the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, bless and keep you in grace and peace on this day and every day.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in grace, grow in faith, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

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Worship Schedule | All Are Welcome!

Worship at faithlilacway.org, in the sanctuary, or parking lot 9:30 AM Worship in Sanctuary* and Parking Lot - Simultaneously

10:30 AM Coffee and treats in the Parking Lot!

10:30 AM Education Hour

Kids: In Person Adults: Hybrid

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98882846617? pwd=eVV0TWIveTluN1pZWDN4L3ZkMnNHQT09

Meeting ID: 988 8284 6617

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