

All Saints' Sunday
November 5, 8:30 & 11 am

Messiah Lutheran Church

MessiahFairview.org

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Welcome to worship! We are delighted you are here and have chosen to worship today. We believe the Holy Spirit of God gathers us together as one. May you be strengthened through his word and the promise in our Lord Jesus Christ.

The mission statement of Messiah Church is: ***Drawing in to Christ, Building up in Christ, Sending out for Christ.*** Our aim is to love each other as Christ has loved us all. We continue to encourage sensible social distancing. If you wish to wear a mask, please do so. If you are feeling ill, please take precautions and consider worshipping via the livestream ministry of Messiah. Online services can be found at ***MessiahFairview.org***; click "***watch services***" ***online.***

Holy Communion is shared at every worship service. The sacrament of holy communion is central to our worship life. If you are a first-time worshipper here, know that you are invited to receive and partake in the sharing of holy communion.

Introduction to The Day

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.

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*The congregation is invited to participate at the places marked with **bold** type*

Prelude

Behold the Host Arrayed in White

Ferguson/A. D. Miller

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, and the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for self-examination.

P Holy One,

We confess that we are not attentive to your ways.

We are not faithful in using your gifts.

We forget the least of those in our midst.

We do not see your beautiful image in one another.

We are infected by sin

that divides your beloved community.

Open our hearts to your coming,

open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,

open our hands to serve your creation.

C Amen.

P Beloved, we are God's children,
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through ✠ Jesus you are forgiven,

by Jesus you are welcome,

in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

Let us live in the promises prepared for us

From the foundation of the world.

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn

For All the Saints

ELW 422

Stanzas 1-4

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

C And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

This is the Feast

ELW page 101

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray,

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.

C Amen.

Sit

Word

First Reading

Genesis 1:27-31

²⁷ So God created humans^[a] in his image,
in the image of God he created them;^[b]
male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

For the Psalm Refrain, the choir will sing the Refrain once in unison, and then in a 2 part canon. The congregation will repeat, singing the Refrain as voice 1 and the choir will canon as voice 2. The Congregation will follow the melody played by the clarinet.

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

I will bless the LORD¹ at all times;

the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

²**I will glory | in the LORD;**

let the lowly hear | and rejoice. R

³Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;

let us exalt God's | name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who | answered me
and delivered me from | all my terrors.**

⁵Look upon the LORD¹ and be radiant,
and let not your faces | be ashamed.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

⁹You remember our labor and toil, brothers and sisters we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. ¹⁰You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you believers. ¹¹As you know, we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, ¹²urging and encouraging you and pleading that you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

¹³We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Processional

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

ELW 424

Stanza 1

Gospel

John 15:12-17

P The Holy Gospel according to John.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹²This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel Response

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

ELW 424

Stanza 3

Sit

Sermon

Pastor Seth Bridger

Silence for Reflection; Stand

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

After each portion of the prayers:

A Lord in your mercy . . .

C Hear our prayer.

In the last of the prayers we remember members of Messiah who fell asleep in the Lord during the past year. A bell will toll after each name is read. A final bell will conclude the remembrance.

Sylvia Albers
Maryann Delaney
John Kocab Jr.
Marian Carpenter

Michael Hihn
Ruth Glaser
Claire Sutton
Douglas Advani

John Cammarn
Jim Breckel
John McDonald
Joan Schluep

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Greet those around you with these or similar words

Sit

The Lord's Supper

If the Lord so moves you, you can make an offering by text to 855-913-1744 or by visiting our online giving portal at tinyurl.com/giveMLC

Offering is Received

Music at the Offering

Messiah Choir

Sing With All the Saints

W. B. Roberts

Offertory

Stand as the Offerings are brought forward

Praise and Thanksgiving

ELW 689
Stanzas 1 & 2

A Let us pray, God of all goodness,

C Generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared in your great generosity. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon you very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

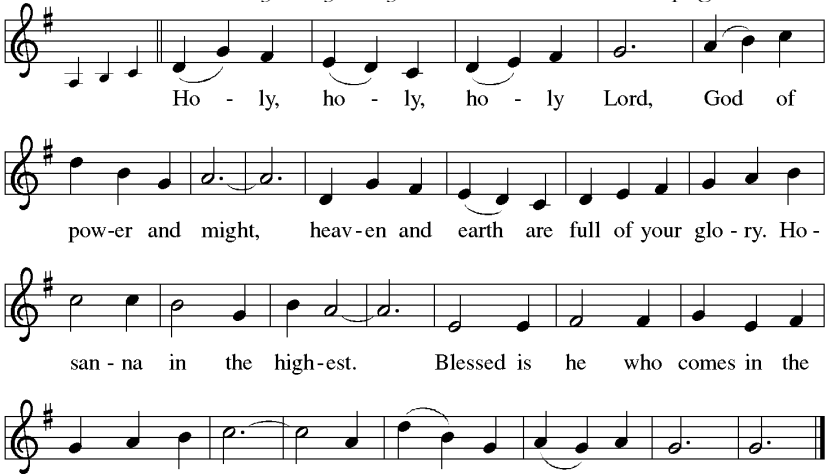
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy ELW page 108



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P Holy , mighty, and merciful Lord ... (the prayer continues) ... to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

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.

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.

Sit

Communion

Lamb of God

ELW page 112

Music at Communion

Choir *Rest In Peace, Earth's Journey Ended* Green/Schulz-Widmar

Communion Hymns

By Your Hand You Feed Your People ELW 469

Jerusalem, My Happy Home ELW 628

Stand after all have communed

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

C Amen.

A Let us pray: Lord Jesus,
in this simple meal you have set a banquet.
Sustain us on the journey,
strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children,
and give us glad and generous hearts
as we meet you on the way.

C Amen.

Sending

P May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service,
give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit,
be with you today and always.

C Amen.

Sending Hymn

For All the Saints

ELW 422

Stanzas 5, 6, 7

Dismissal

A Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Sine nomine

arranged Paul Manz

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Serving Today

Preaching & Presiding Today – Rev. Seth Bridger

Assisting Ministers – Chris Neumann (8:30) Janice Snyder (11:00)

Acolyte – Paige Neumann (8:30) Nickolas Skliros (11:00)

Joy Ringer – Ruth King

Clarinetist – Dale Mortensen

Interim Music Director – Deborah Zudell-Dickey

Altar Guild –Elenor Davis, Maria Geier

Altar Flowers

Are given in loving memory of her son John, by Elenor Davis.

In Our Prayers

- For all in harms way due to violence and warfare; for the loss of life. the displaced, and the women and children impacted by conflict.
- For the Pastoral Call process and for those serving on the Pastoral Call Committee as Messiah seeks to call a 2nd Pastor: Sam Gmetro, John Hayduk, Jay Machado, Kathy Neumann, Allison Younger-Waugaman, and Karen Wolf.
- For those with health concerns: Claire Connelly, Rev. Bruce Hathaway, Priscilla Hinsch, Terri Civittolo, Charles Tom, Ron King (father of Stacey DiFiore) Finley Paton, Linda Stoddard, Liz Dimmock, Nina Long, Nick Dobrinich (husband of Deaconess Judy Hoshek), Evelyn and Churchill Ward, Officer Nickolas, Baby Miles, Carla (friend of Rita-Ann Shaffer), Dan Feuerstein, Andrew Boraggina, Marc Heidmann and those recovering from injuries, those awaiting surgeries and those quietly receiving medical care.

This Week's Commemorations

Nov. 7—JOHN CHRISTIAN FREDERICK HEYER, d. 1873, the first missionary sent by American Lutherans to a foreign country. He served in India from 1842 to 1857 and again from 1869 to 1871.

Nov. 11—MARTIN, BISHOP OF TOURS, d. 397, ex-soldier and adult convert who defended the Gallic church against Arianism; also SOREN KIERKEGAARD, d. 1856, a Danish theologian and philosopher who challenged the complacency of the Church in his day.

God's Word for Next Week **24th Sunday after Pentecost**

Amos 5:18-24, Psalm 70, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18,
John 6:1-14

We encourage you to read the lessons as part of your preparation for divine services.



IN MEMORIAM

<u>Deceased</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Sylvia Albers	3/21/1941	1/15/2023
Maryann Delaney	1/24/1929	2/15/2023
John Kocab Jr.	4/1/1949	2/18/2023
Marian Carpenter	3/4/1928	2/19/2023
Michael Hihn	10/10/1978	2/21/2023
Ruth Glaser	10/27/1926	2/25/2023
Claire Sutton	8/16/1927	4/22/2023
Douglas Advani	5/28/1973	7/10/2023
John Cammarn	4/27/1933	7/16/2023
Jim Breckel	4/26/1946	7/27/2023
John McDonald	1/22/1951	7/31/2023
Joan Schluep	11/11/1939	8/3/2023



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