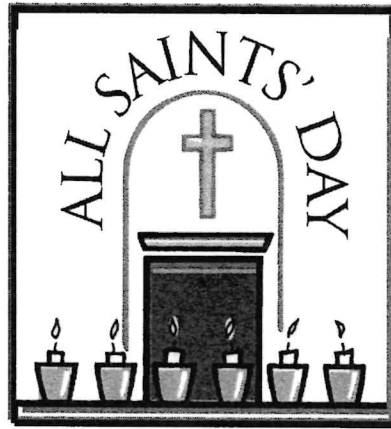


# WORSHIP FOLDER

## Welcome Home

Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025

5:00 pm



### Preservice / Special Music

- "FOR ALL THE SAINTS"

- ILS Chancel Ringers Bell Ensemble

### Welcome / Opening Hymn

"For All the Saints"

[LSB #677...vs. 1-4, 6 and 8]

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!*
3. Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.   *Alleluia! Alleluia!*
4. O blest communion, fellowship divine,  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.   *Alleluia! Alleluia!*
6. The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.   *Alleluia! Alleluia!*  
~ (please rise) ~
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!*

## *Invocation, Confession & Absolution*

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you...

- *(pastor shares words of forgiveness)*

## *Psalm for the Day*

- *Psalm 130*

*[Cong. will join on selected verses]*

P: Out of the depths I cry to You, O LORD!

O LORD, hear my voice!

Let Your ears be attentive

to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

O LORD, who could stand?

C: **But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.**

**I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I hope;**

**My soul waits for the Lord**

**more than watchmen for the morning,**

**more than watchmen for the morning.**

*(continues)*

P: O Israel, hope in the LORD!  
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,  
and with Him is plentiful redemption.  
And He will redeem Israel  
from all his iniquities.

### *Prayer of the Day*

P: The Lord be with you... C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray... *(pastoral prayer)*

### - COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED -

*Our commemoration of the faithful departed begins  
as we pray together these words from Psalm 118...*

P: I love the LORD, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.  
Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long  
as I live.

C: **Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful. For You have  
delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.**

P: *On this All Saints Day, the church remembers with thanksgiving those  
who have fallen asleep in Jesus -- we honor their memory through this  
video which has been prepared for this special day -- as we worship we  
want to say thank You to God for taking His faithful home to heaven with  
Him forever.*

*We follow this holy practice so that in the words of 1 Peter 1 we can  
marvel once again for being "born again to a living hope through the  
resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." And so we remember those  
who have gone before us since our last commemoration of those who  
have departed in the faith. We remember their faithfulness and rejoice  
that they are in the nearer presence of Jesus and the communion of  
saints which surrounds us.*

### - ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE [VIDEO]

Prayer

*Your Word, heavenly Father reminds us that, "we will be with the Lord forever." And so in joyful expectation of the resurrection to life, we remember before You, O Lord, all Your saints who have gone before us in faith. We offer thanksgiving for the gift of faith and hold fast to the certainty of Your promises and pray that, like those we have remembered, You would in Your grace and mercy keep us faithful till that day we join around Your throne always remembering that You fill us with an inexpressible joy. We ask it all in Jesus' name ...*

- SCRIPTURE READINGS -

New Testament Reading

- Revelation 7:9-17

...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.

(continues)

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.”

*Epistle* - 1 John 3:1-3

... 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.

*Hymn Response* “Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise” [LSB #680 ...vs. 1+2]

♪ **Thine the amen, Thine the praise Alleluia's, angels raise  
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread  
Thine the glory, Thine the story Thine the harvest, then the cup  
Thine the vineyard Then the cup is lifted up, lifted up.**

**Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be  
Thine the vision, Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee  
Gone the nailing, gone the railing Gone the pleading, gone the cry  
Gone the sighing, gone the dying What was loss lifted high.**

*Gospel* - Matthew 5:1-12 (please rise)

... Seeing the crowds, He 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.

### *Hymn for the Day* (please be seated)

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

[LSB #680...vs. 3 thru 5]

3. Thine the truly, Thine the yes Thine the table, we the guest  
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be  
Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war  
Thine the living, Thine the loving Evermore, evermore.
4. Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonderful surprise  
Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways  
Thine the glory, Thine the story Then the welcome to the least  
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast, at Thy feast.
5. Thine the glory in the night No more dying, only light  
Thine the river, Thine the tree Then the lamb eternally  
Then the holy, holy, holy Celebration jubilee  
Thine the splendor, Thine the brightness Only Thee, only Thee.

### *The Message*

**"CRY.WAIT.HOPE!"**

### *Receiving the Offering / Special Music Response*

- "ETUDE IN C" - ILS Chancel Ringers Bell Ensemble

## *Prayers of the Church*

### *Apostles' Creed*

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen**

### *Celebration of the Lord's Supper / Service of the Sacrament*

**P: The Lord be with you.**

**C: And also with you**

**P: Lift up your hearts.**

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

**P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P: Let us pray...**

*Heavenly Father, we thank You for the communion of saints which surround us, may we like those who have gone before us run with endurance the race set before us so that like them we may receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Grant us faithfully to eat Christ's body and drink Christ's blood as He bids us do in His own testament asking it in His holy and precious name. Amen.*

### *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;**

*(continues)*

**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.**

*Words of Institution* (please be seated)

*Hymns for Distribution*

**"Come, Let Us Eat"** [LSB #626...Cong. echoes back every phrase from the Leader]

1. Leader: *Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread*  
**ALL: Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread**  
Leader: *Our Lord's body let us take together*  
**ALL: Our Lord's body let us take together**
2. Leader: *Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured*  
**ALL: Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured**  
Leader: *Jesus' blood poured let us drink together*  
**ALL: Jesus' blood poured let us drink together**
3. Leader: *In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest*  
**ALL: In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest**  
Leader: *In the presence of our Lord we gather*  
**ALL: In the presence of our Lord we gather**
4. Leader: *Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word*  
**ALL: Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word**  
Leader: *Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom*  
**ALL: Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom**

**"Jerusalem the Golden"** [LSB #672...vs. 1, 2 and 4]

1. Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest,  
The promise of salvation The place of peace and rest.  
We know not, oh, we know not, What joys await us there,  
The radiancy of glory, The bliss beyond compare.
2. Within those walls of Zion, Sounds forth, the joyful song  
As saints join with the angels And all the martyr throng.  
The Prince is ever with them; The daylight is serene;  
The city of the bless-ed Shines bright with glorious sheen.

*(continues)*

4. O sweet and blessed country, The home of God's elect!  
O sweet and blessed country That faithful hearts expect!  
In mercy, Jesus bring us To that eternal rest,  
With You and God the Father And Spirit, ever blest.

“Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart”

[LSB #708...vs. 1 + 3]

1. Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,  
With tender mercy cheer me.  
Earth has no pleasure I would share, Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare  
If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.  
And should my heart for sorrow break, My trust in Thee can nothing shake.  
Thou art the portion I have sought;  
Thy precious blood my soul has bought.  
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord,  
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.
3. Lord, let at last Thine angels come, To Abram's bosom bear me home,  
That I may die unfearing;  
And in its narrow chamber keep... My body safe in peaceful sleep  
Until Thy reappearing.  
And then from death awaken me,  
That these mine eyes with joy may see,  
O Son of God, Thy glorious face, My Savior and my fount of grace.  
Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend, my prayer attend,  
And I will praise Thee without end.

*Post Communion Prayer*

P: From Psalm 118 -- we pray these words together as our post communion prayer...

**ALL: Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints.  
Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.  
For you have delivered my soul from death,  
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. Praise the LORD!**

## Benediction & Closing Hymn

### “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones” [LSB #670...vs. 1, 3 and 4]

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,  
Raise the glad strain: Alleluia!  
Cry out, dominions, prince-doms, powers,  
Virtues, arch angels, angels' choirs:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
All saints triumphant, raise the song:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu--ia!
- please rise -
4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
Supernal anthems echoing:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Allelu--ia!

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