All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2026

10:30 a.m. Worship
Augustana Lutheran Church
Pastor *Amy Kelly*
Accompanist *Anne Hintz*

GATHERING
The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. *(*stand if able)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP
P: On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember teachers and storytellers who made God's stories come alive for us.
C: We give thanks!

P: We remember choir members, organists, and all the musicians who sang and played your praises.
C: We give thanks!

P: We remember preachers and lay leaders who led our worship through the years.
C: We give thanks!

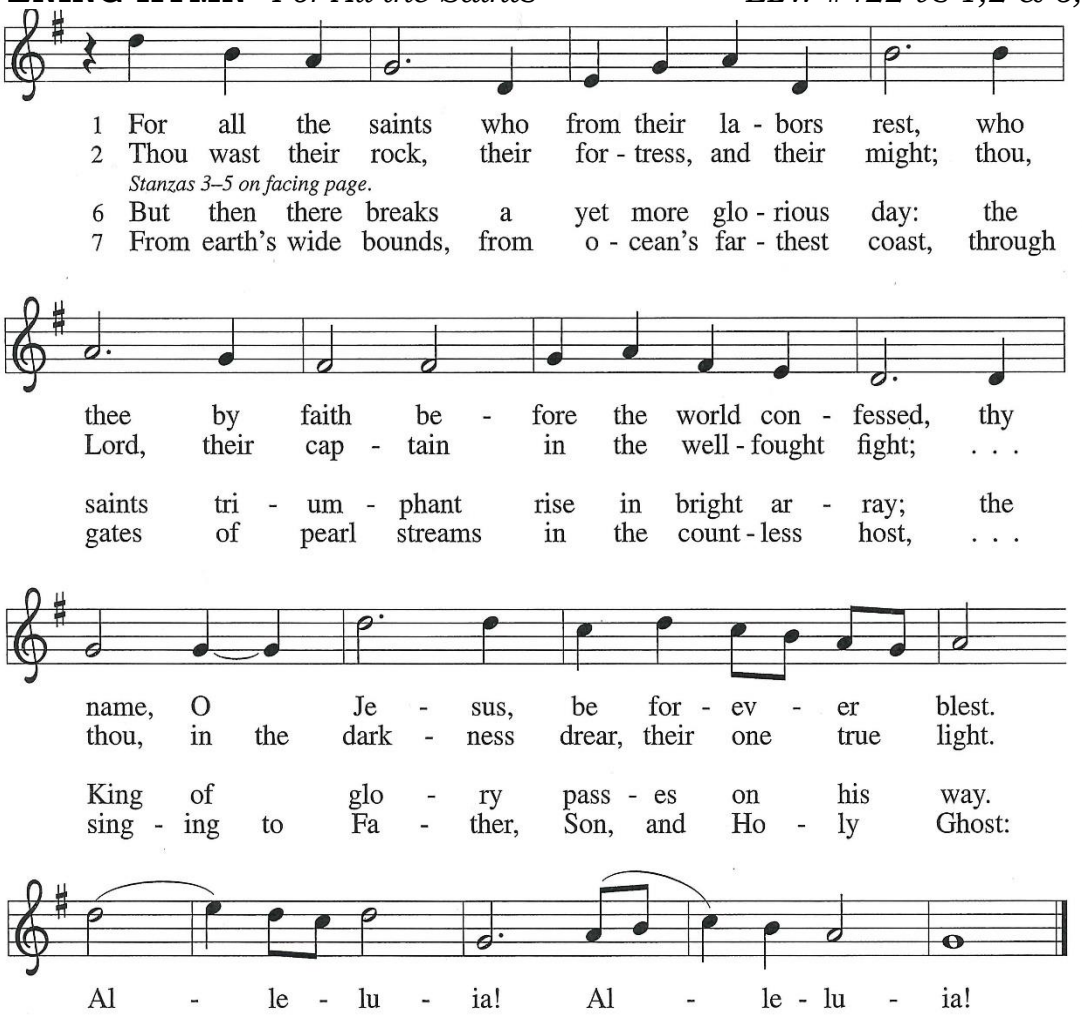
P: We remember parents, spouses, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.
C: We give thanks!

P: We remember our church families – this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been a part of this faith family with whom we grew our faith and our love for God and neighbor.
C: We give thanks!

P: We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today.
C: We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present here with us, and will continue after us. Thanks be to God!

Adapted from Rev. Susannah DeBenedetto and posted on LiturgyLink.

OPENING HYMN *"For All the Saints"* *ELW #422 vs 1,2 & 6,7*



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Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
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***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Our lives are full of mistakes and errors – places where we follow self-generated idols instead of the One True God. We are not alone in these mistakes – all of those who have come before us also experienced temptation and sin. Let us come before God, just as generations of believers have done, and pray for God's forgiveness and grace.

C: Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us. We do not always love as you would have us love. We do not always do as you would have us do. In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Hold us, dear one – comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.

A time of silence

P: Friends, receive this good news! Jesus taught through his words and deeds that God has already forgiven us. Thus, we and all who have come before us are rightly known as saints – the holy ones of God! Thanks be to God for God's mercy, grace, and love!

C: Amen!

Adapted from Rev. Lucus Keppel, Ancho Community & Corona United Presbyterian Churches, New Mexico.

***GREETING**

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.

***KYRIE ELEISON** *Leader sings verses; All Refrain*

***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.

CHILDREN'S WORD

WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

1 I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
2 My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
3 O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together.
4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
5 Look to him, and be radiant,
so your faces shall never be ashamed.
6 This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord
and was saved from every trouble.
7 The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear him and delivers them.
8 O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.
9 O fear the Lord, you his holy ones,
for those who fear him have no want.
10 The young lions suffer want and hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.
22 The Lord redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

1 John 3:1-3

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children
of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us
is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; what
we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is
revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who
have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

P: The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *"Alleluia"*

GOSPEL
P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 5:1-12

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after
he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he began to speak and
taught them, saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they
will be filled.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and
utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be
glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they
persecuted the prophets who were before you.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE *Pastor Amy Kelly*

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Shall We Gather at the River"* *ELW #423*

1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow-ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti-ful, the beau - ti-ful riv - er;

gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899
Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

TIME OF REMEMBERANCE

Dottie Boerhave	*February 18, 2026*
Dennis Kilde	*May 14, 2026*
Marjorie Johnson	*August 14, 2026*

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Each petition will end with the words, "Hear us O God"
The congregation responds, "**Your mercy is great**"

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY** *"Give Thanks"* *W&P #41*

***OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should in all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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P: You are indeed Holy, Almighty and Merciful God. You are most holy and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved that world that you gave your only Son so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.

DISTRIBUTION
All are welcome at Christ's table, you will be ushered forward.
Grape juice is in the center of the tray. Gluten-free wafers, please request.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *"Spirit, Open My Heart"* *ACS #1043*

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Music: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irish melody; adapt. Alfred V. Fedak, b. 1953
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

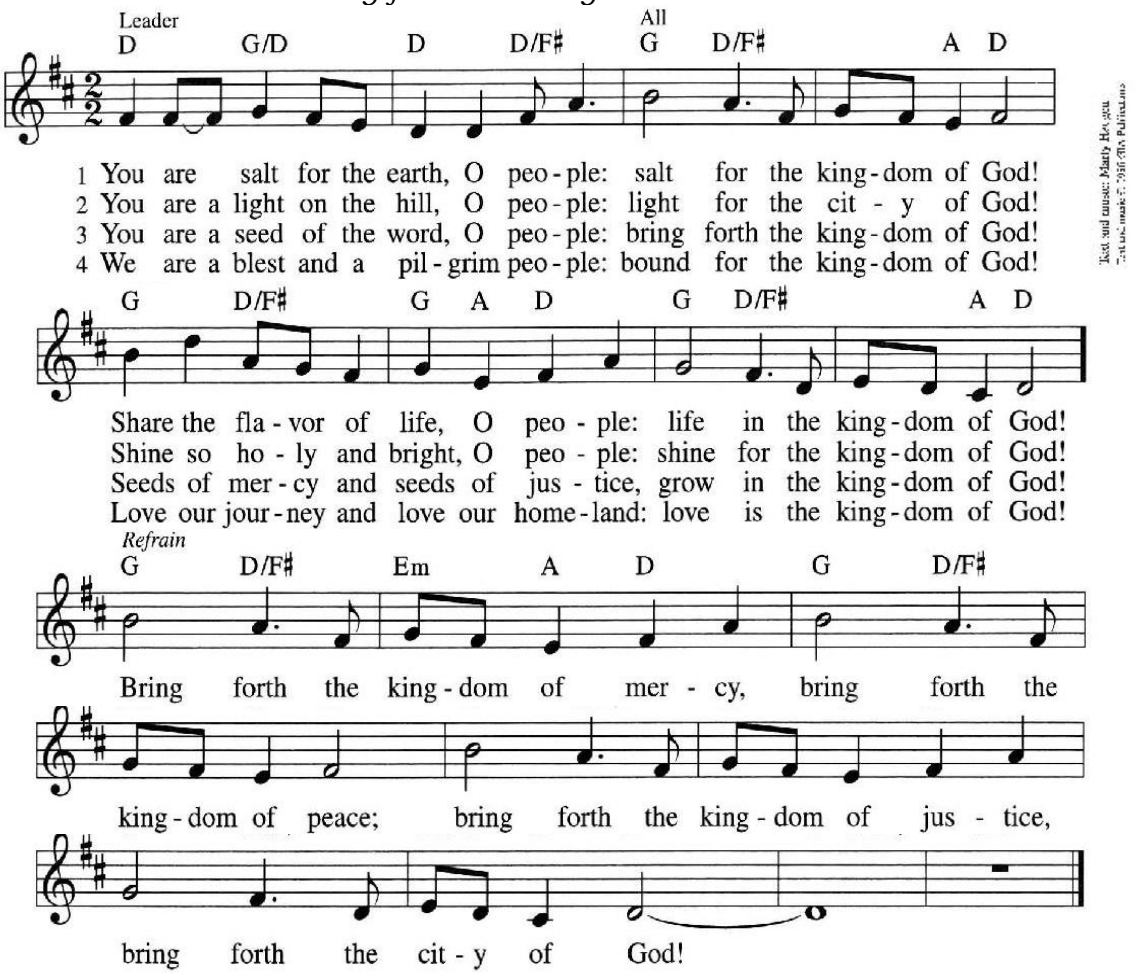
C: Amen.

***BLESSING**

***BENEDICTION**

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you;
May the Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you;
May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.
C: Amen.

***SENDING HYMN** *"Bring forth the Kingdom"* *W&P #22*



***DISMISSAL**
P: Go in peace, Praise God in creation.
C: Thanks be to God.

AUGUSTANA'S CALENDAR

Sun	11/1	***All Saints Sunday***	
		9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
		10:30 a.m.	All Saints Worship; Coffee fellowship following worship
Thu	11/5	9 a.m.	Piecemakers Quilting in Fellowship Hall
Sun	11/9	9:45 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
		10:30 a.m.	Rejoice Worship; Meal following Worship

Amy at Continuing Ed. Sunday, 11/1 (4 p.m.) – Tuesday, 11-3

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