

*Grace Lutheran Church  
Welcomes You!*

*All  
Saints  
Sunday*



*By Grace you have been saved!*

*Everyone is Welcome!  
Taste and See that the Lord is Good,  
Let us rejoice together!*

# GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 7, 2021

Pastor Jim Helgren

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Prelude & Announcements

Opening Hymn "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" LBW Hymn #175

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

**C: Amen**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

Kyrie: **C: response... "Lord, have mercy.**

**C: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

The Prayer of the Day

See Insert

The First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9

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Psalm 24

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Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6a

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

Gospel: John 11:32-44

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P: The Gospel according to St. John, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: ....The Gospel of the Lord"

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

LBW Hymn #176

Nicene Creed

**C: 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:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**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.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He 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 the Church

P: .... Lord in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

Offering

**C: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather the harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

Offertory Prayer

P: Merciful Father,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

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: It is indeed right and salutary..... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosana in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosana in the highest.**

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, the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen**

Distribution

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

**C: Amen**

**C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell everyone what he has done. Let everyone who seeks 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.**

Prayer – P: Let us pray...

**C: Amen**

Benediction

Closing Hymn

"For All the Saints"

LBW Hymn # 174

Dismissal

**We carry the "light" out into the world! Depart to serve!**

***We pray always for . . .***

*Robert Armknecht, Bill Bohling, Jodell Bridgmon, Luetta Bruns,  
Linda Daniels, Eric Fass, Mary Goudie, Jan Rader, Joan Staack*

***We also remember in our prayers . . .***

*Erick, Diana & Meshack, orphans we are sponsoring in Tanzania.*

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in the south office. You may email the church office  
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# Today's Readings

All Saints Sunday

November 7, 2021

## 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.**

## First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

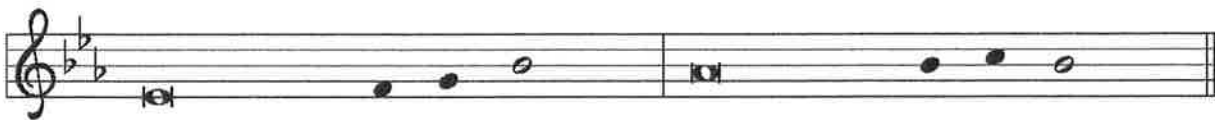
On this mountain the LORD of hosts will  
make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-  
aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of  
well-aged wines strained clear.  
<sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all  
peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all  
nations;  
<sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever.  
Then the Lord God will wipe away the

tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people  
he will take away from all  
the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.  
<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,  
Lo, this is our God; we have  
waited for him, so that he might  
save us.  
This is the LORD for whom we have  
waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his  
salvation.

or Wisdom 3:1-9 [not printed]

## Psalm

Psalm 24; tone 4



The earth is the LORD's  
and all <sup>1</sup> that is in it,  
the world and those  
who <sup>1</sup> dwell therein.  
<sup>2</sup>**For the LORD has founded it**  
**up- <sup>1</sup> on the seas**  
**and established it up- <sup>1</sup> on the rivers.**  
<sup>3</sup>Who may ascend  
the mountain <sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
and who may stand  
in God's <sup>1</sup> holy place?  
<sup>4</sup>**Those of innocent hands**  
**and puri- <sup>1</sup> ty of heart,**

**who do not swear on God's being,**  
**nor do they pledge by <sup>1</sup> what is false.**  
<sup>5</sup>They shall receive blessing  
<sup>1</sup> from the LORD  
and righteousness  
from the God of <sup>1</sup> their salvation.  
<sup>6</sup>**Such is the generation**  
**of those who seek <sup>1</sup> you, O LORD,**  
**of those who seek your face,**  
**O <sup>1</sup> God of Jacob.**  
<sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates;  
and be lifted up, O ever- <sup>1</sup> lasting doors,  
that the King of glory <sup>1</sup> may come in.

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<sup>8</sup>**Who is this <sup>1</sup> King of glory?**  
**The LORD, strong and mighty,**  
**the LORD, might-<sup>1</sup> y in battle!**

<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates;  
and be lifted up, O ever-<sup>1</sup> lasting doors,  
that the King of glory<sup>1</sup> may come in.

<sup>10</sup>**Who is this <sup>1</sup> King of glory?**  
**Truly, the LORD of hosts**  
**is the <sup>1</sup> King of glory.**

## Second Reading

## 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. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among  
mortals.

He will dwell with them;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>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.”

<sup>5</sup>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.” <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

## Gospel

## John 11:32-44

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.” <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>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.” <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>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.” <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” <sup>44</sup>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.”

**Today 11/7/21**

*Worship with communion – 8:30 a.m.*

*Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.*

*Luther League to collect cans following worship*

*Luther League Fundraiser Movies @ CCC – 1-3 p.m.*

**Monday 11/8/21**

*Bible Study – 3:00 p.m. Note time change*

**Wednesday 11/10/21**

*Confirmation – 4:00 p.m.*

**Thursday 11/11/21**

*Veteran's Day*

**NEXT SUNDAY 11/14/21**

*Worship – 8:30 a.m.*

*Christmas Program Practice – 9:30 a.m.*

*We give thanks today for the lives and memories  
of our Saints who began their new journey  
with Christ in 2020/2021.*

***Verna Brinkman, Eldon Dieckgrafe,  
Evelyn Effken & Marianne Parde***

*We also give thanks for all the memorial funds that have been  
given to us so generously over the years. Below are the items  
that have been purchased in 2021 by memorial funds.*

*The replacement candles for Candlelight service, MIDI  
update for the Organ and the Grace Lutheran Pastor  
Memorial Board.*

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**TODAY** - November 7th is the Annual Talmage Fire and Rescue Pancake Feed - serving breakfast from 8 am–1 pm at the Talmage Fire & Rescue Hall.

*The Luther League will once again be collecting pop cans to help raise money for the trip to the National Youth Gathering. Cans will be collected on the first Sunday of every month. **TODAY** the youth will be in the parking lot to collect your donations after the church service. Please make sure cans are rinsed, crushed and in a bag to make collection easier. Thank You! Luther League*

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The Sunday School Christmas Program will be during church service on Sunday, December 12. Program practices will be held Sundays at 9:30AM on November 14th, 21st, 28th and December 5th. If you would like your child to participate, please attend the first practice next week, Sunday, November 14th. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Weber or Melissa Wellensiek.

## Thanksgiving Project

Today, November 7th there will be 10 green bags with instructions on what to purchase at the back of the church. These bags will need to be returned November 14th to the church filled with the ingredients for a Thanksgiving meal. The meat will be purchased by the recipient with a certificate to the Tecumseh Central Market. The Tecumseh Pastors work with the Tecumseh Office of SENCA to help provide these meals.

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## **Thank Offering**

The Thank Offering service for Grace and Hope Women of the ELCA will be held on November 21st during the morning worship services.

**Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service,  
is Wednesday, November 24, at 7:00 p.m. at  
Hope Lutheran Church.**

Grace Lutheran, Hope Lutheran and UCC Osage congregations will  
worship and give thanks together.

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