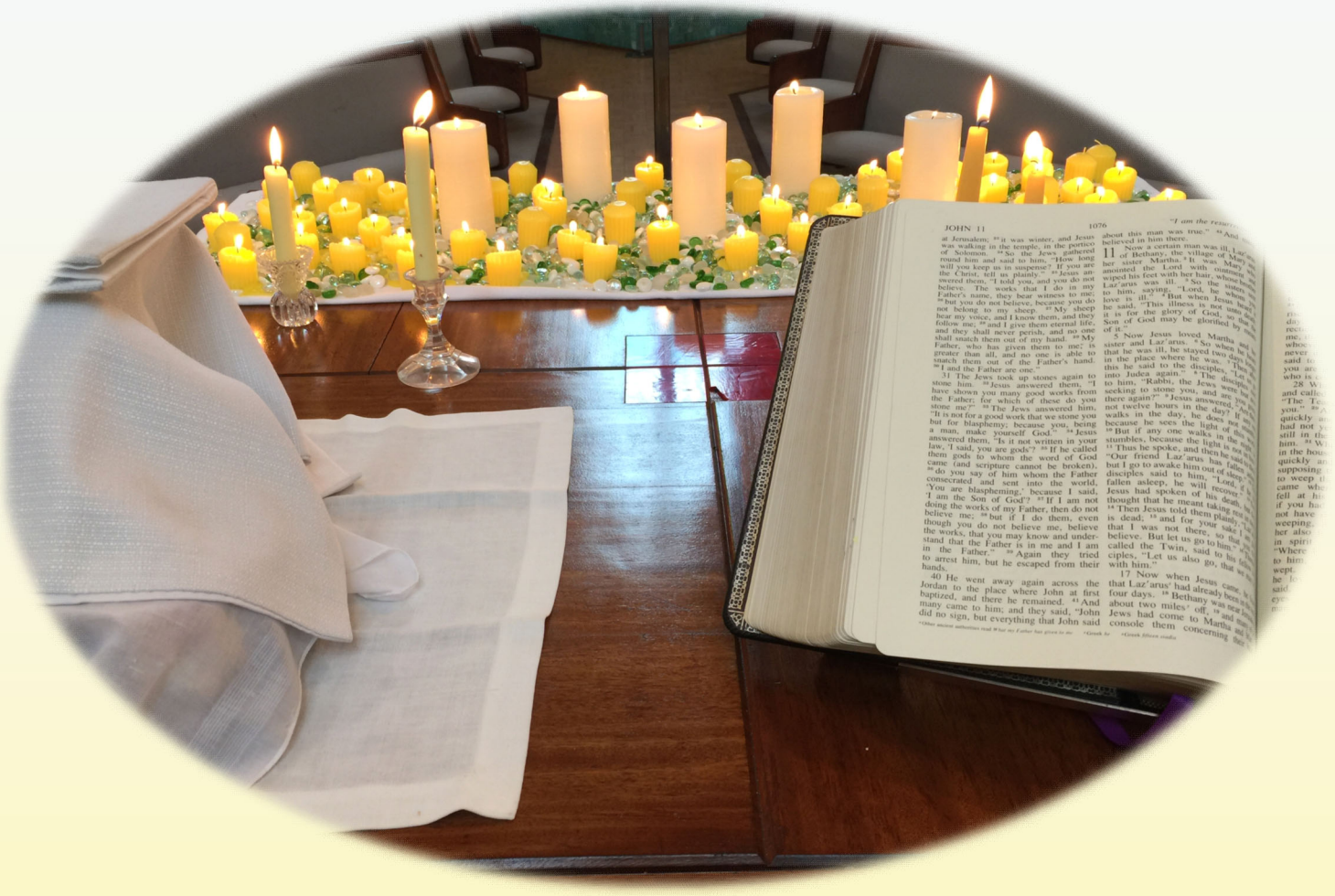
Blessed are They



November 1, 2026

All Saints Day

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Welcome to Worship

Welcome to all God's guests, including those who call themselves "members" of this church named Ascension Lutheran Church more than 65 years ago.

A special welcome to guests who are here for the first time or who call yourselves “visitors” among the people of this community.

It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community**, **communion** and **commitment**.

Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

Children are always welcome in worship services;

Please silence your cellphone at this time

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.

All **Amen.**

P Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin.
Silence is kept for reflection.
Compassionate God,

All **we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness**
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.
Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

P Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

All **Amen.**

Opening Song

Cantors

Kyrie Kyrie eleison Kyrie Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison Kyrie eleison

All

Christe Christe eleison
Christe Christe eleison
Christe eleison Christe eleison

All

Kyrie Kyrie eleison
Kyrie Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison Kyrie eleison

Greeting

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

All **And also with you.**

Prayer for This Day

P Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **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.**

You may be Seated

In Remembrance of the Saints from this Congregation

P On this All Saints Sunday we remember those from this congregation who have entered the church triumphant this past year...

Donald Eugene Brown	*Vennie Steve Decker*
Matthew James Malde	*Christopher Lee Refsdal*
Robert Dale Tolle	*Marianna Victoria Siewenie*

P I invite you to come forward and light a candle in remembrance of those dear to your hearts who have passed.

(Please use the tall candles on either side to light your candles.)

P Let us pray,
Eternal God, your love is stronger than death, and your

All **We rejoice in the lives of those whom you have drawn into your eternal embrace.**
Keep us in joyful communion with them until we join the saints of every people and nation gathered before your throne in your ceaseless praise, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law.

We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

A Reading from Revelation, the 7th Chapter

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could
count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages,
standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with
palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying,
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the
Lamb!"
11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and
the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne
and worshiped God, 12 singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed
in white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are
the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have
come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made
them white in the blood of the Lamb.

14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me,
"These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have
washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat,

17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Revelation 7:9-17

WA The word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God!**

A Responsive Reading of Psalm 34

1 I will bless the LORD 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.
3 Proclaim 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.
5 Look upon the LORD 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.
7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.
8 **Taste and see that the LORD is good;**
happy are they who take refuge in God!
9 Fear 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.
22 O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

A Reading from John, the 3rd Chapter

[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.

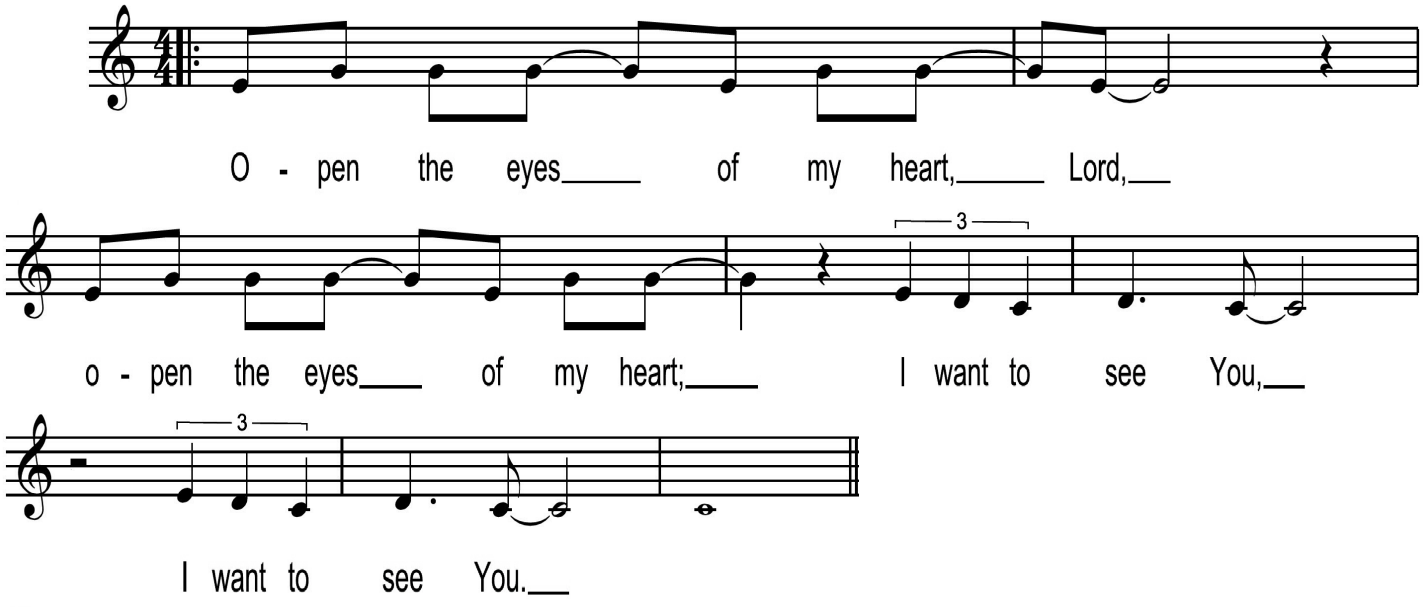
1 John 3:1-3

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Gospel Acclamation

Please stand in body or spirit.



Gospel Reading

In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

P The Holy Gospel according to St Matthew, the 5th chapter.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[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."

Matthew 5:1-12

P The Gospel of our Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

You may be seated

Children's Sermon

Christie Denniston

Noisy Offering

*Each week our congregation is **led by children** to collect pocket change and small bills.Through this offering, we are reminded that together, the smallest of offerings can change lives and make "hope & love" tangible.*
The children have chosen Lutheran Disaster Relief to receive this monetary blessing for this season.

Sermon **Pr. Gordon Young**

Hymn of the Day

Please stand in body or spirit.

Blest Are They



Nicene Creed

P Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

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.

**Or*, "who proceeds from the Father." *The phrase* "and the Son" *is a later addition to the creed.*

Prayers of the People

You may be Seated

WA United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.



(each prayer petition ends with)

L: God, in your mercy, ***All:*** **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Jesus Christ become peace with you.

All **And also with you.**

You may be Seated

Offertory



Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray:
God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.

All **All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you
and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.**

Holy Communion

P The Lord be with you

All **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

All **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.

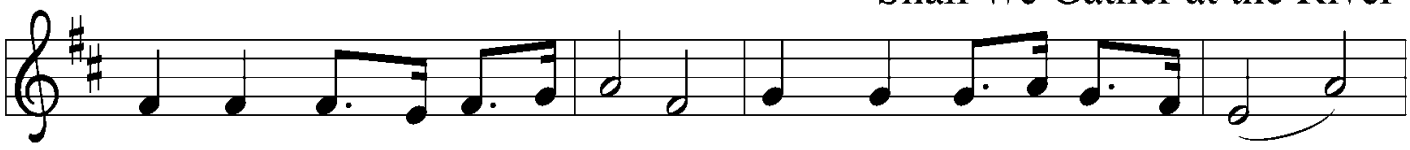
The Invitation

P There is a place for you at the table of God. Come receive the food that does not perish, the taste of life eternal.

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.
Gluten Free wafers available –ask the communion attendant

Communion Songs

Shall We Gather at the River

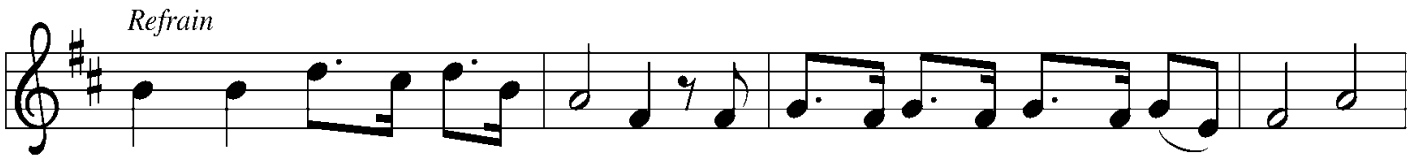


1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv - er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



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.

You Are Mine



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
4 "I am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I


I will lift you from all your fear.
I am eyes for all who long to see.
heal-ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
am the peace the world can-not give.
(2) In the
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be
shad-ows of the night, I will be your light.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
I will call your name, em-brac-ing all your pain. Stand
still and know I am here. to verse 2
Come and rest in me. to refrain
all will know my name. to refrain
up, now walk and live! to refrain
Refrain
Do not be a-fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by
name. Come and fol-low me, I will bring you home; I
love you and you are mine."

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

Please stand in body or spirit.

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

All **Amen**

P Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy.

All **Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen**

Stewardship of Life & Ministry
Announcements

Benediction and Sending

Please stand in body or spirit.




We are all the same, in need of mer - cy, to be for - giv - en and be
We're all bro - ken, but we're all in this to - geth - er. God knows we stum - ble and fall,
free. It's all you got to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need.
and He so loved the world, He sent His Son to save us all.
And all the peo - ple said, "A - men." Whoa. And all the peo - ple said, "A -
-men." Give thanks to the Lord, for His love nev - er ends.
last time to Coda
1.
And all the peo - ple said, "A - men."
2.
men." Bless-ed are the poor in spir - it who are torn a - part. Bless-ed are
3
the per - se - cut - ed and the pure in heart. Bless-ed are the peo - ple hun - gry for an -
D.S. al Coda
-oth - er start, for theirs is the king - dom, the king-dom of God.
Coda
ENDING
- men." And all the peo - ple said, "A - men."

Dismissal

WA Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessolonians 5:16

Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

All **Thanks be to God.**



Readings for next week
November 8th
Pent 22

First Reading:	Amos 5:18-24
Psalm:	Psalm 70
Second Reading:	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel:	Matthew 25:1-13

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