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All Saints' Day

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Our mission:

*to spread the Word of Salvation through Christ,
honor God, serve others, and grow in faith.*

Welcome! Today is observed by many churches as All Saints Day (actual date Nov. 1). We sing "For all the saints who from their labors rest" to celebrate that most satisfying heavenly rest promised us by the Lord Jesus, which is enjoyed already by our loved ones who have died in the faith. While we may shed tears of sorrow as we continue to mourn our losses, yet in Christ, even our grieving is transformed by hope we have through his resurrection. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Welcome guests! We are delighted you are with us for worship this morning. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jon, sign the guest book next to the front doors, and let us know how we can be of service to you. The order of service is printed in this bulletin starting on page 2. A cryroom is available at the back left of the sanctuary for families with young children if there is a need.

Communion Note: We believe that our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us. Because unworthy reception of the sacrament can be harmful, those who are not yet instructed, are uncertain or doubtful, or hold to a different confession should speak to the Pastor before participating.

Divine Service, Setting One

LSB page 151

The Preparation



Prelude: “Liebster Jesu” – G. Bohm

Words of Welcome

Invocation, Confession, and Absolution (page 151)

The Service of the Word

Opening Hymn: 677 For All the Saints (1-3, 7-8)

Kyrie (page 152 - sung)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise page 154 Glory to God in the Highest

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C: **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Almighty and everlasting God,
You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places
into one holy communion,
the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ.
Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living
that, together with them,
we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared
for those who love you;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**



First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17 (see back cover)

Psalm 149



¹ Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a | new
song,*

his praise in the assembly of the | godly!

² Let Israel be glad in his | Maker;*

let the children of Zion rejoice | in
their King!

³ Let them praise his name with | dancing,*

making melody to him with
tambou- | rine and lyre!

⁴ For the LORD takes pleasure in

his | people;*
he adorns the humble with sal- | vation.

⁵ Let the godly exult in | glory;*

let them sing for joy | on their beds.

⁶ Let the high praises of God be | in their
throats*

and two-edged swords | in their hands,

⁷ to execute vengeance on the | nations*

and punishments on the | peoples,

⁸ to bind their | kings with chains*

and their nobles with fet- | ters of iron,

⁹ to execute on them the

judgment | written!*

This is honor for all his godly

ones. | Praise the LORD!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Epistle Reading: 1 John 3:1-3 (see back cover)

Alleluia Verse (page 156)

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading:

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Matthew 5:1-12 (see back cover)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed (see inside back cover of hymnal)

Hymn of the Day: 671 Sing with All the Saints in Glory

Sermon

Remembrance of the Faithful Departed

Charles Greenberg

Richard deDufour

Roger Newton

(All those we name in our hearts)

Prayers After each petition of the prayer P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

Prayer Request List (Names are placed on the list by request only.)

For comfort:

The O'Neil family

Death of Chris

Dunbar

The Parry Family

Death of Alan

Teschke

The Brummel/Dunbar family

Death of Margaret

Dunbar

The Newton family

Death of Pastor Roger

Dunbar

For those with health concerns:

Janis

Janice Nuneviller

Barbara

Carol Farley

Chris

Zane

Brennan

Valerie Nebbie

Beverly

Pete Serone

Carol Yost Band

Grant and Noah

Ursula

John O'Neil

Sid

Phillip Trivett

Kay Compton

Claire

Rose

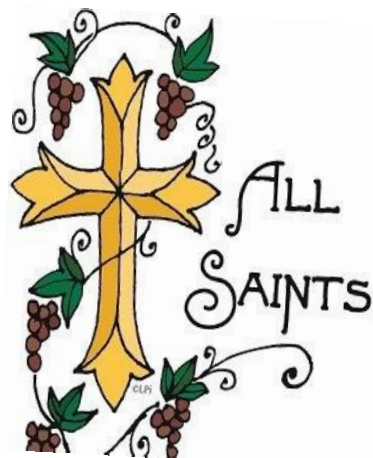
Jamie

Cambria

Robert Bauer

John Tarlo

Steve Hauptman



P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth... one God now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father who art in heaven...

P: Words of Institution

Pax Domini (page 163)

Sharing of the Peace: (Please share the peace with one another with the words:

“The peace of the Lord be with you.”, “And also with you.”)

Agnus Dei **C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn: 676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

Post Communion Canticle: Thank the Lord (page 181)

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev’ryone what he has done.

Let ev’ryone 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 of Thanksgiving

Benediction (page 166)

Closing Hymn: 672 Jerusalem the Golden

Announcements

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord;

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: “Wer nun der lieben Gott last waalten” – J.S. Bach



All Saints' Day



Announcements – Week of November 3, 2024

Need assistance? The Church Office is staffed each week

MON, TUES and WED from 1:00 - 3:00

Worship, Sunday School, and Bible Study

Welcome! Serving in worship today are: Norm Klesat (Communion and Reading), Tyson Wilhelm (Live-streaming and Usher), Nick Wilhelm (Acolyte), Scott Garrow (Usher), Audrey deDufour and Leslie Klesat (Communion/coffee set-up and clean-up)

Today's service will be live streamed on You Tube at the following link:
<https://youtube.com/live/TcZMcDoCxPE?feature=share> If you miss the service live, watch it whenever you like! The services are also posted after the fact to the church's website.

NEW Bible Study on Gospel of Luke. This Sunday at 8:15am we begin a 12-week study of selections from Luke's Gospel. We'll begin our journey in the later chapters of Luke where Jesus teaches on topics including the destruction of Jerusalem and His Second Coming. Then, we'll turn to the early chapters of Luke to look at Christ's birth. Our study lesson for this Sunday will be Luke 20:19-26 "Render Unto Caesar". This will be a timely discussion of church and state, and the Christian's responsibility to government. Join us!

After-Service Sermon Discussion today! Join us after service in the fellowship hall for a lively discussion!

A Study of the Psalms - Wednesdays via ZOOM. Join us on **Wednesdays at 7:30pm** as we dive into the Old Testament Book of Psalms. In this 12-week study, we'll learn how to read and appreciate Hebrew poetry as God's inspired Word. We'll also learn about the different kinds of psalms (e.g. praise, confession, royal, lament) and how they express the wide spectrum of emotions we feel as followers of Christ living in a broken - but still beautiful - world. This Zoom study is open to all - look for the link that was emailed out this week, or ask Pastor. Each session can stand alone – pop in any time. Invite your friends!

Mission Sunday: Apple of His Eye Ministry. Coming up on Sunday, November 17, St. Peter will welcome a special guest preacher, Rev. Jordan Peiser. While serving at Zion, Maywood, Pastor Jordan also works with Apple of His Eye Ministry sharing the Gospel of Jesus to the Jewish community. After the worship service, he will share more about his work. A door offering will be taken to support Apple of His Eye.

Weekly Schedule:

TUESDAY (11/5)	Election Day
WEDNESDAY (11/6)	7:30pm Zoom Bible Study of Psalms
THURSDAY (11/7)	9:45/11:15 Nursery School Chapels
SATURDAY (11/9)	7:30am Men's Breakfast
SUNDAY (11/10)	8:15am SS/Bible Study; 9:30 Worship; 11:00 Discussion Group; 6:30pm Impact Youth Group @ St. Paul, Flemington

Men's, Women's, Senior's, Youth and Family Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry. The Prayer Shawl ministry team continues to meet every other week, creating gifts to share. Consider joining them!

Prayer Chain. The Prayer Chain is ready to receive your prayer requests. Simply call Barbara Greenberg at (609) 512-1928 to start or update a prayer.

Service and Other

Opportunity to give toward Helene Disaster Relief through NJ District. The NJ District continues to match dollar for dollar any individual/family gift given through the District up to \$250. A designation has been set up on the District website (njdistrict.org) where people can give online. Once you are on the website scroll down and click on the "Give Now" button. Scroll down and click on the Hurricane Helene Disaster relief icon.

Flowers. If you would like to have flowers placed on the altar in honor of someone, in thanksgiving for God's grace, or for a special occasion, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to do so. Suggested donation is \$25. You may take the flowers home following the service on the day you select.

Lambertville Food Pantry. Please grab some non-perishable items at the grocery store to add to our food pantry collection box in the narthex. **SPECIAL NEED – toilet paper! November's collection is Personal Products** – body wash, bar soap, liquid hand soap, dish detergent, shampoo, conditioner, pads and sanitary needs.

Faithfulness Report: Attendance 10/27: 65 /8 online Gen Fund (plate and elec): \$3883.50

Website and Facebook. Come online to check us out! Our website is at www.stpeternj.org, and our Facebook page is Saint Peter Lutheran Church - the link is: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Saint-Peter-Lutheran-Church/337705479662612>.

Other Important web links:

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod lcms.org NJ District LCMS njdistrict.org
LCMS World Relief and Human Care lcms.org/ca/worldrelief The “Lutheran Hour” Broadcast lhm.org

TAKE IT FURTHER: Today's Distribution Hymn: 676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

This “jubilant and triumphant anthem for the saints” was written by Danish pastor and bishop Hans Adolph Brorson (1694-1764) during the last year of his life. It is one of seventy he composed during that time! It makes a clear contrast between the challenges and afflictions of this earthly life and the glories awaiting the faithful in heaven. What an appropriate message as we remember the faithful who have gone before us on this special day.

-Concordia Publishing House. *Lutheran Service Book: Companion to the Hymns.* (2019), p. 896-899

Memory Verse Challenge: 1 John 3:1

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

ALL SAINTS' DAY (OBSERVED)

First Reading: Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After 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, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And 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, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I 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.

¹⁵ "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.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ 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

¹See 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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And every one who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1–12

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

²And he opened his mouth 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 shall be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."