All Saint's Sunday November 1, 2026 9:00am Service

GATHERING

PRELUDE NEED TITLE – OSL Bells

WELCOME

- Welcome to worship on this All Saints Sunday. Welcome to all those joining us via our Live Stream, welcome to those joining us through our Listen to Church service.
- A special word of welcome to those families who have lost loved ones over this past year.
- Welcome to our OSL Choir and Bell Choir and thank you for sharing your gifts with us this morning.
- If you are joining us from home, I invite you to gather some bread and wine/juice so you can join us in celebrating Holy Communion this morning, and a candle, if you wish, to light in remembrance with us for the saints who have gone before us.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.
C: Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
P: Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
C: At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
L: By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
C: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.
L: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN Jerusalem My Happy Home 628:1, 2, 4, 5

1 Jerusalem, my happy home,
when shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?

2 O happy harbor of the saints,
O sweet and pleasant soil!
In thee no sorrow may be found,
no grief, no care, no toil.

4 There trees forevermore bear fruit
and evermore do spring;
there evermore the angels sit
and evermore do sing.

5 Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
God grant that I may see
thine endless joy, and of the same
partaker ever be!

Text: F.B.P., 16th cent.

GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

And also with you.

Let us pray,

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.**

WORD

FIRST READING Revelation 7:9-17 *Reader*

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory. A reading from Revelation.

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.
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."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-3 *Reader*

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 First John.

[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.

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12
The holy Gospel according to Matthew.
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."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Sarah Miller

HYMN OF THE DAY Give Thanks for Saints 428

1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm
when all around seems bleak:
on God's good promise they rely,
so while they live and when they die
how forcefully they speak—
the strong, who once were weak!

2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear,
beyond mere mortal sight:
who seek the city God has planned,
the true, eternal promised land,
and steer on toward that light,
a beacon ever bright.

3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure,
a sparkling precious stone:
they show by what they say and do
an inward beauty, warm and true,
for God's concerns they own—
God's love through them is known.

4 Give thanks for saints of ages past
and saints alive today:
though often by this world despised,
their hearts by God are richly prized.
Give thanks that we may say
we share their pilgrim way.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *Reader*

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

A brief silence.

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Sustain the earth and all its habitats that your creation may continue to flourish for generations to come. Protect field, forested areas, lakes, rivers and oceans from the effects of climate change and overuse. Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Unite the nations and guide their actions towards your justice and peace. Surround the upcoming election process in this country. Give wisdom and discernment to voters that they may raise up leaders who listen deeply and act in the best interest of their communities. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness; *especially* Judy Kahl, Dwight McNaughton Lucas McCullough, Tom Lawrence, Ardelle McAlpine, Kris Lemke, Jake McQuiston, Kelly Warfel, Chuck Smith, Perry Hodgson, and Erica Peterson. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Support and encourage Gayle Holte, our Lay Visitation Coordinator and all who serve on the lay visitation ministry team. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors and live in your presence. Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE
The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

BRIEFING THE MINISTERS

MEAL

OFFERING **I Heard the Voice of Jesus – OSL Choir and OSL Bells**

OFFERTORY **As the Grains of Wheat 465:1**
Refrain
As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
were gathered into one to become our bread;
so may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.

1 As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain*

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OFFERING PRAYER
Let us pray,

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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. Amen.

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE *just title slide*

We continue our worship today by giving thanks for the lives of the saints in all times and places. We remember our ancestors in faith from Abraham and Sarah to Paul and Phoebe. We remember prophets and priests, ministers and teachers who taught us the ways of God. We remember the renewers and servants of the church who call us together around the gospel of salvation.

We remember those who are poor in spirit, those who mourn, the peacemakers, and those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake. We remember all those who have shared their life and faith among us at Our Savior's Lutheran Church and who have died in this past year. We remember…

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE *new slide with title and names*

Bonita Sadowski
Janell Evan
Thomas Olson
Marilyn McQuiston
Nancy Bjornson
James Anderson
Tim Lutz
Richard Lynch
Norman Willert

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

We also remember children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands, wives, and parents whose lives have shaped our own, who now live fully in God's presence and eat at God's banquet table. Today we come to this communion table to receive a foretaste of that great feast the saints in light enjoy in full. And we remember that,

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus has taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION AND CANDLE LIGHTING IN REMEMBRANCE
All are invited forward to light a candle in memory and thanksgiving for the saints who have gone before us, AND to receive the meal of love and grace our Lord offers to us.
-- The ushers will direct you, first: to light a candle, and then to receive the bread and wine or juice

As we light our candles and commune this morning, we hear a gift of special music from our OSL Bell choir.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER
The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Let us pray,
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. **Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION
The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN For All the Saints 422:1, 3, 5, 6

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!

3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

DISMISSAL
Gathered Ones: Go out in joy. Scatter the love of God.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Judy Kahl, Dwight McNaughton, Lucas McCullough, Tom Lawrence, Ardelle McAlpine (sister to Donna Lark), Kris Lemke, Jake McQuiston, Kelly Warfel (sister to Kim Holten), Chuck Smith, Perry Hodgson, and Erica Peterson (Granddaughter of Cheryl Merrill)

IN SUPPORT

Patrick & Jacqueline Bencke, missionaries in Japan.
Kasungu Central, Our Malawi Sister Parish.

Join us TODAY after worship for our Adult Bible study on Revelation, continuing throughout November. Having met the Creator and Redeemer of the universe, we'll now be introduced to those powers who seek to draw us away from God. Come to hear God's warning about these false ones and to be reassured of God's trustworthy promise of life with God through the Lamb.

Sunday School Christmas Program Director Needed. Seeking someone to lead this year's program with a commitment beginning 4 weeks prior to Dec 20 performance. Responsibilities include helping with casting, running lines, assigning costumes, and rehearsing. If interested, see Denise for details.

The donations for The Little Church will go to the Menomonie Area School Lunch Angel Fund for the month of November.

THIS WEEK AT OSL

Sunday, Nov 1	Worship, All Saints Sunday, 9:00 Sunday School, 10:15 Adult Ed, Pr. Dale Freberg, Revelation Coffee Fellowship, 10:15
Monday, Nov 2	Women in Action, 8:00
Tuesday, Nov 3	ADRC meal prep, 9:00
Wednesday, Nov 4	Confirmation, 5:45 High School, 5:45 Choir rehearsal, 6:30
Thursday, Nov 5	AM'ers, 9:00 Vibrant Voices, 1:00 OSL Bell rehearsal, 6:30
Friday, Nov 6	
Saturday, Nov 7	Bridge to Hope Quilt tour, 9:30-3:30

Thank you to our OSL Choir and OSL Bell Choir for sharing their gifs of music in our worship service today.

Facility Rekey Update – The Church Council has approved a full rekey of the building following our recent key audit. This process will help us maintain a safe and well-managed facility. Watch for upcoming information on key issuance and the return of old keys.

Help Fill Our Thanksgiving Meals Boxes– OSL will be providing 40 boxes to those in need. Pick up your turkey feathers to donate items for the meals or make a financial donation to help cover the cost of needed items.

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FINANCIAL UPDATE

	Mar-Sept	Sept
Income	$236,690.65	$32,864.86
Expenses	$196,240.33	$23,610.18
Over/short	**$40,450.32**	**$9,254.68**

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