

**A Prayer
Upon
Entering
Church**

Almighty God, you are holy, holy, holy and you have called your people to reflect on and be a reflection of your holiness. Surround me with other saints this day as we receive the gifts your Son has won on the cross, gifts we do not deserve but graciously will receive. I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.



The Feast of All Saints

November 4, 2018 + 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

Welcome to the Lord's Day.

Should the Beatitudes "be" your "attitude?" In a way, yes, they should. But in another, more profound way, the Beatitudes aren't marching orders for you. The Beatitudes are promises the Lord Jesus gives to you today, right here and right now. You are blessed and you will be blessed because Jesus declares to you that you are blessed. "Blessed are they... Blessed are you...!" The blessings of Jesus, the spoils of his victory over sin, death, and the devil, are yours through faith.

Sharing God's Blessings Today

- Sunday's Radio Broadcast, and the flowers at the altar, are sponsored by the Women of Zion in thanksgiving for God's many blessings.

A Welcome for Those With Young Children

This house is your children's home, too. Relax and enjoy your time here:

- Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Zion.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please consider sitting towards the front where your children can easily see the worship leaders, hear the words, note the colors, wonder about some of the images up there, and embrace the action at the altar.
- As we go along, softly explain the liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in with their parts: *Amen! Lord have mercy! And also with you! I believe! Our Father!* All of that belongs to them, too.
- Be sure to sing and pray your parts as you stand and kneel and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. There is a nursery downstairs for those who would like to use it, but like Jesus, we want your children in the liturgy, not out. *Let the little children come unto me.* (Luke 18:16).
- If you need help, just ask. There are lots of folks here who will lend a hand.

Announcements

Parish announcements may be found in the weekly newsletter, *For You*, provided by the ushers after worship.



PRELUDE

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

... Michael Burkhardt, Samuel Metzger, Paul Manz

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Please stand and turn towards the cross as it is carried into the sanctuary.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones” green hymnal #175

THE APOSTOLIC 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

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



☐ Lord, have mer - cy.

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

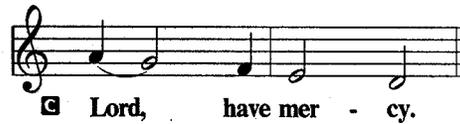


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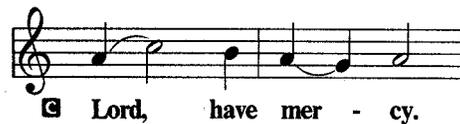
*..until the Last Day, the Holy Spirit abides with the holy congregation or Christendom. Through this congregation He brings us to Christ and He teaches and preaches to us the Word. By the Word He works and promotes sanctification, causing this congregation daily to grow and to become strong in the faith and its fruit, which He produces.
~ Martin Luther, Large Catechism*

All Saints' Day has become the day when we talk about heaven, think about the dead, and decorate their graves. It has become roughly what is called "all souls day" in southern Europe, which is the day after All Saints' Day. The combination has its risks. It has probably contributed to the misunderstanding that all dead people are saints and that you will certainly go to heaven when you die.
 ~ Bo Giertz
To Live with Christ

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



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

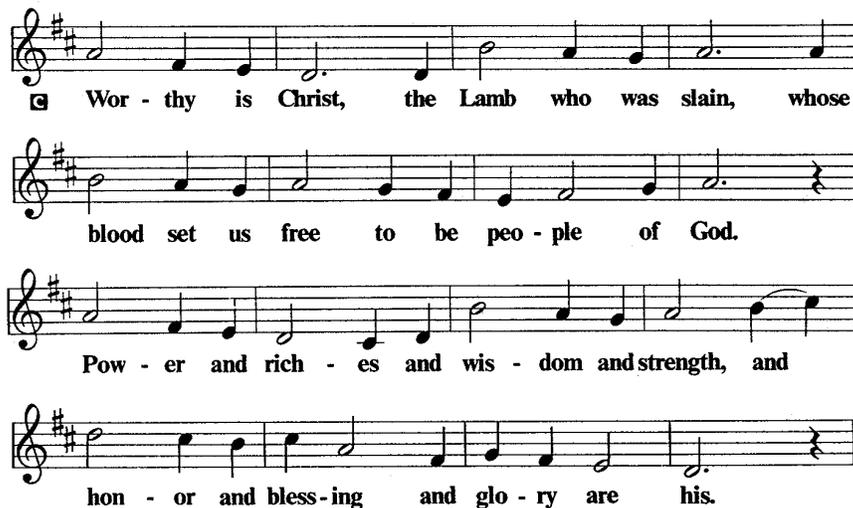


P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



HYMN OF PRAISE

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



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -
 lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of
 God and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the
 Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -
 le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION and PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

☐ And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray . . . 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.

Since it is Christ who has destroyed the power of death, it is through Christ that we can become partakers of the life over which death has no dominion. Eternal life is not a self-evident continuation of the life of the soul on earth. But it is a self-evident continuation of the life which Christ grants his won, even in this world. "Whoever lives and believes in me shall never die" (John 11:26). "If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you...

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Grant us so to follow your blessed saints in 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

Please be seated.

CHORAL RESPONSE (9:00 a.m.)

"We Sing for All the Unsung Saints"

... Paul Soulek

FIRST LESSON 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. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For 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."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 119:1-8

Choir/ Happy are they whose 'way is blameless,*

L: who walk in the law 'of the LORD!

C: **Happy are they who observe 'his decrees*
and seek him with 'all their hearts!**

Choir/ Who never do 'any wrong,*

L: but always walk 'in his ways.

C: **You laid down 'your commandments,*
that we should 'fully keep them.**

Choir/ Oh, that my ways were made 'so direct*

L: that I might 'keep your statutes!

C: **Then I should not be 'put to shame,*
when I regard all 'your commandments.**

Choir/ I will thank you with an 'unfeigned heart,*

L: when I have learned your 'righteous judgments.

C: **I will 'keep your statutes;*
do not utter'ly forsake me.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and 'to the Son,*
and to the 'Holy Spirit;
as it was in 'the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. 'Amen**

SECOND LESSON 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

*...he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit" (Romans 8:11). This is our Christian hope in the presence of death. It is not based on human speculation. It is based on the acts which God himself has done and has allowed us to know and see.
~ Bo Giertz,
Preaching from the Whole Bible*

These blessed ones don't feel blessed. They are poor in the spirit and feel that they are lacking in everything. That's why they are hungry and thirsty for righteousness...They mourn, both for themselves and others. They're abused, persecuted, and lied about because they don't live like other people. However, they're gentle. They don't demand their rights. They don't put themselves on a pedestal. They establish peace by suffering rather than fighting.
 ~ Bo Giertz
To Live with Christ

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 everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

VERSE (9:00 a.m.)

Choir: Alleluia. Alleluia. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, Let us look to Jesus the founder and protector of our faith. Alleluia. Alleluia.

VERSE (11:00 a.m.)

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

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

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

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.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



NICENE CREED

P: Let us confess the faith with one heart:

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

This, then, is the nature of the saints: they glorify Christ and witness of his reality with their whole life. And it is something that exists as a capacity and a beginning for each of us who believes and grows as faith increases. It will never be so complete a growth that any saint will ever cease also to be a sinner. Therefore there is no clear line of demarcation between saints and ordinary sinners who believe in Jesus.

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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

Please be seated.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:00 a.m.)

During the singing of the hymn, children of preschool age through grade 4 may leave for Sunday School classes downstairs in the church hall. Please reclaim your children at 10:25 a.m. after their music time in the balcony.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“For All the Saints” green hymnal #174

Stanza 1: All

Stanza 2: Low Voices

Stanza 3: All

Stanza 4: All

Stanza 5: All

Stanza 6: High Voices

Stanzas 7 and 8: All

SERMON

“The Face of Victory”

REMEMBRANCE OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

(refer to page 18 in this bulletin)

Please kneel.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all creation according to its needs.

P: . . . Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

OFFERING

*While the offerings are received, please pass in your row the **Friendship Register**, and add your name(s). If you are a guest or visitor, please include your address.*

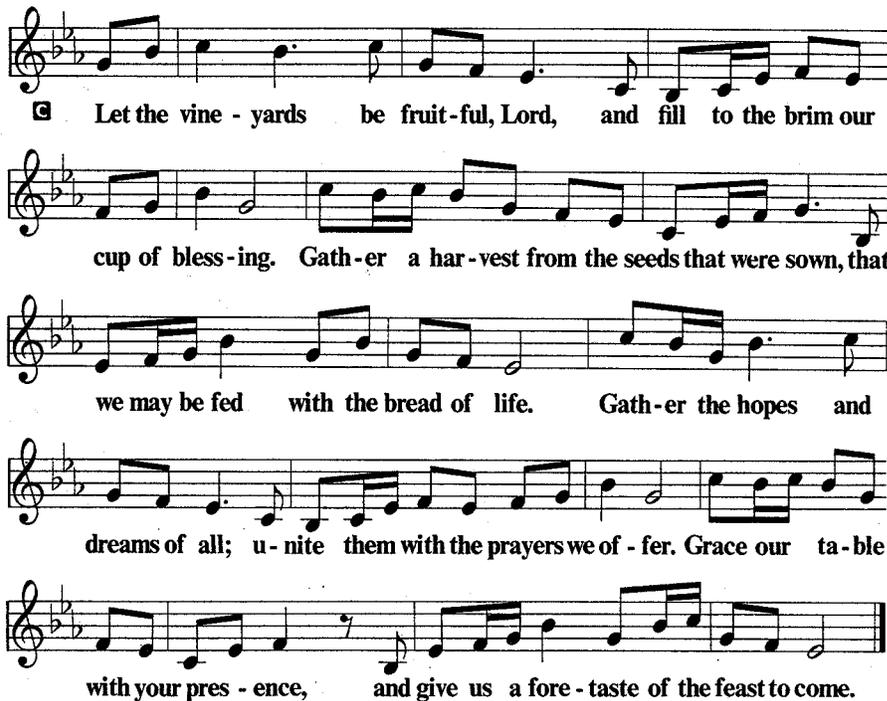
VOLUNTARY

“For All the Saints”

... Benjamin M. Culli

Please stand.

OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and
dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble
with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The one condition is that we believe. He who does not believe does not belong to God's holy ones, either in heaven or on earth. One does not become one of the blessed in heaven by dying. That we attain only through true faith in Jesus.

~ Bo Giertz,
Preaching from the Whole Bible

From both of these – the promise and the giving of merits – arises confidence in mercy. Such confidence in the divine promise, and likewise in Christ’s merits, should be promoted when we pray. For we should be truly confident, both that for Christ’s sake we are heard and the by His merits we have a reconciled Father.
 ~ Philip Melancthon, Apology to the Augsburg Confession, Article XXI

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray . . . Merciful Lord,

C: **we do not come to your table trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. Grant us so to eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, and so to drink his blood that we may ever dwell in him, and he in us. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.



☐ And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



☐ We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



☐ 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:

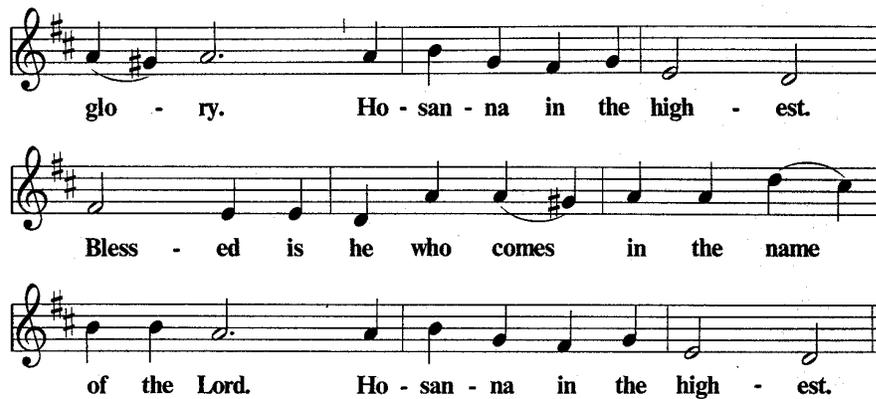
SANCTUS (“Holy”)



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow’r and might: Heav’n and earth are full of your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name

of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

In the same way also he took the cup after the supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: **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**

ACCLAMATION

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: **we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

When we say that the church is transparent to the kingdom of God, we mean that among earthly institutions and communities it stands as the one that explicitly holds itself accountable to embody signals of what God is about in the world. This in turn means that the church is dedicated to the life that proclaims to the world that there is a kingdom of God, a final purpose for the world, that proclaims through word and deed...

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AGNUS DEI ("Lamb of God")

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

The congregation is ushered forward for Communion. If you cannot use the steps to the altar, you may either ask an usher to have Communion brought to you, or you may go to the altar in the side (west) chapel. Those not communing may cross their arms over their chest for a blessing.

Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which He joyfully gives to His Church to eat and to drink. This gift bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives ours sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation.

The Lord therefore invites to His altar baptized Christians who trust that they will receive in Holy Communion all that He promises there: His body and blood, the forgiveness of sins, union with Christ and His Church, life, and salvation. Know that He gives it to you with great joy.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Saints, See the Clouds of Witnesses”



1 Saints, see the cloud of wit - ness - es sur - round us;
 2 These saints of old re - ceived God's com - men - da - tion;
 3 They call to us, "Your tim - id foot - steps length - en;
 4 Come, let us fix our sight on Christ who suf - fered,



Their lives of faith en - cour - age and as - tound us.
 They lived as pil - grim - heirs of His sal - va - tion.
 Throw off sin's weight, your halt - ing weak - ness strength - en.
 He faced the cross, His sin - less life He of - fered;



Hear how the Mas - ter praised their faith so
 Through faith they con - quered flame and sword and
 We kept the faith, we shed our blood, were
 He scorned the shame, He died, our death en -



fer - vent: "Well done, My ser - vant!"
 gal - lows, God's name to hal - low.
 mar - tyred; Our lives we bar - tered."
 dur - ing, Our hope se - cur - ing.

- 5 Lord, give us faith to walk where You are sending,
 On paths unmarked, eyes blind as to their ending;
 Not knowing where we go, but that You lead us—
 With grace precede us.
- 6 You, Jesus, You alone deserve all glory!
 Our lives unfold, embraced within Your story;
 Past, present, future—You, the same forever—
 You fail us never!

“The Church’s One Foundation” green hymnal #369

...that that final purpose is redemptive, and that seeks to ensure that all its words and deeds are consistent with the meanings of the kingdom. The idea that the church is transparent to the kingdom of God provides a strong declaration of what the church essentially is, as well as a prescription of what the church must become.

~ Philip J. Hefner, "The Church" in Christian Dogmatics, vol. 2

**A Prayer
as You Go**

Lord of heaven and earth, all of creation is full of your glory and your radiant power. Though all powerful you made yourself weak for me in Christ. You have poured out your blessings upon me this day in Word and Sacrament. I thank you and will humbly serve you, marching on in the name of Jesus, in whose name I pray. Amen.

Please stand after all have received the sacrament.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



Please turn towards the cross as it is carried out of the sanctuary.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Onward, Christian Soldiers” green hymnal #509

SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

Toccata on “For All the Saints” ... Michael Bedford

+ Soli Deo Gloria +

To God alone be glory

Serving at Worship

Preaching: The Rev. Christopher Johnson

Presiding: The Rev. Dr. Steven K. Gjerde

Assisting: Vicar Joseph Pinzl

Organist: Kantor Irene Beethe

Choir: (9:00) Zion Kantorei

Lector: (9:00) Jan Gaugush

(11:00) Carl Boettcher

Radio Announcer: (9:00) Paul Fandrey

Acolytes: (9:00) Michael Cornell; Anna Gjerde; Emma Pagel

(11:00) Grace Stimac

Elder: (9:00) Robb Halverson

(11:00) Gordon Schalow

Ushers: (9:00) Adele Blair; Donald Budnik;

Fred Fenhaus; Robb Halverson

(11:00) Al Lippert; Wayne Reuter; Herbert Zahrt

Communion Assistants:

(9:00) Bill Metter

(11:00) Cheryl Plautz

Altar Guild: Bonnie Glasel; Debra Thomas

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COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



Today our congregation pauses to give thanks for the memory of the blessed members of our parish family who were summoned by our Lord to Himself and buried from Zion Lutheran Church since All Saints Sunday, November 5, 2017.

Our joy is in having shared with them the fellowship of Christ on earth, and our comfort is in the sure hope of the resurrection through our Lord Jesus Christ. May we too *"be faithful unto death"* and with all those now around the throne of Christ, *"receive the crown of everlasting life."*

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>
*Marilyn J. Hintze	March 9, 1929	November 19, 2017
Junior "Ric" A. Ricci	October 2, 1930	November 22, 2017
Delores S. Kersten	December 19, 1928	December 2, 2017
Judith "Judy" L. Kurth	August 23, 1941	December 11, 2017
Kenneth A. Haderlein	June 10, 1936	January 4, 2018
Dorothy W. Korzilius	April 12, 1922	February 14, 2018
Elroy F. Plautz	September 18, 1930	February 24, 2018
Marian E. Wozniczka	June 19, 1924	March 10, 2018
*Leah Schuett	February 7, 1930	March 22, 2018
Ruth J. Schmieden	December 31, 1929	May 7, 2018
Lyle N. Klemp, Sr.	November 23, 1920	May 23, 2018
Gary L. Habeck	August 11, 1963	May 29, 2018
Ruth L. Brummond	January 5, 1932	June 12, 2018
*Ronald D. Keberle	September 2, 1927	June 22, 2018
Delaine "Dee" J. Viergutz	August 12, 1935	August 18, 2018
Laura M. Raddatz	October 18, 1922	September 23, 2018
Robert Prah, Jr.	October 19, 1932	October 4, 2018
Sara (Sally) J. Lewitzke	May 22, 1941	October 11, 2018

*(non-member)

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Those who trust in the Lord shall be like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)

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