

All Saints Day

November 1, 2020 + Mount Olive Lutheran Church



Focus on the Season: All Saints Day

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. The readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete, even as we rejoice in our own baptismal life and welcome those who have come into the body through the waters of baptism. In worship we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

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Centering and Gathering

Light your candle. [Start the video by clicking here](#); it will continue through the Postlude.

PRELUDE: from *Requiem*: Introit/Kyrie, Sanctus, Pie Jesu, Agnus Dei Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Recorded at Mount Olive on All Saints Day, November 1, 2015.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE BAPTIZED SAINTS OF ALL TIMES AND PLACES

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

G Amen.

P When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by Baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. (*Romans 6:3-5*)

G Thanks be to God.

P The Lord be with you.

G And also with you.

P Let us pray. We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past: for Abraham, the father of believers, and for Sarah, his wife; for Moses, the lawgiver, and Aaron, the priest; for Miriam and Joshua, Deborah and Gideon, Hannah and Samuel; for Isaiah and all the prophets; for Mary, the mother of our Lord; for Mary Magdalene, the first apostle; for Peter, Paul and all the apostles; for Mary and Martha, Joanna and Susanna; for Stephen, the first martyr, and all the saints and martyrs in every time and in every land. In your mercy give us, as you gave them, the hope of salvation and the promise of eternal life; through the first-born from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen

P God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our brothers and sisters who have died in this past year, including: + *Theodore Vrudny* + + *Joyce Kunkel* + + *Muriel Jaster* +

+ Michael Edwins + + LeRoy Erlandson + + Jean Hay + + Gary Flatgard +
+ Violet Dundek Bell + + Daniel Adams +

and all those whom we name before you aloud or in our hearts.

We thank you for giving them to us to know and to love as companions in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who remain. Give us faith to see that death has been swallowed up in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may live in confidence and hope until, by your call, we are gathered to our heavenly home in the company of all your saints; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Heavenly Father, we rejoice with thanksgiving at these new saints you have claimed as your own, these children of your love and grace, washed in the waters of Baptism this year. We thank you for: + Isla Joy Scott + and + John Larry Severson +

We also give you deep thanks for these children born among us this year who have yet to be baptized: + Oren Pipkorn + + James Beilke + and + Lydia Hellerman + and for all those whom we name before you aloud or in our hearts.

Fill them with the Holy Spirit, that they lack no spiritual gift. Bless this water as we remember the gift of our own baptism into Christ. In your mercy, give us living water always, springing up as a fountain of salvation. Strengthen all who bear the sign of the cross, so that we may always bear witness to you by word and life, and that together we may enter the joy which is prepared for all your faithful children; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN: *ELW 422 "For All the Saints"*

Sung at Mount Olive on All Saints Sunday, year C, November 6, 2016.

Word

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Apostolic greeting is on the video)

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: Revelation 7:9-17; reader – Cynthia Prosek, lector

⁹I 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. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And 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, ¹²singing, "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, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that 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. ¹⁵For 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. ¹⁶They 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.”

PSALMODY: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

¹I will bless the LORD ¹ at all times; * the praise of God shall ever be ¹ in my mouth.
²I will glory ¹ in the LORD; * let the lowly hear ¹ and rejoice.
³Proclaim with me the greatness ¹ of the LORD; * let us exalt God's ¹ name together.
⁴I sought the LORD, who ¹ answered me * and delivered me from ¹ all my terrors.
⁵Look upon the LORD ¹ and be radiant, * and let not your fac- ¹ es be downcast.
⁶I called in my affliction, and ¹ the LORD heard me * and saved me from ¹ all my troubles.
⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who ¹ fear the LORD * and de- ¹ livers them.
⁸Taste and see that the ¹ LORD is good; * happy are they who take ref- ¹ uge in God!
⁹Fear the LORD, you saints ¹ of the LORD, * for those who fear the ¹ LORD lack nothing.
¹⁰The lions are in want and ¹ suffer hunger, * but those who seek the LORD lack nothing ¹ that is good.
²²O LORD, you redeem the life ¹ of your servants, * and those who put their trust in you will ¹ not be punished.

Recorded on All Saints Sunday, year A, November 5, 2017.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3; reader – Gretchen Campbell-Johnson, assisting minister

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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW 174, “Celtic Alleluia” *Sung before and after the Gospel reading.*
Sung at Mount Olive on the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Lect. 18 B, August 5, 2018.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.
² Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
³ “The poor in spirit are blessed, for the reign of heaven is theirs.
⁴ “Those who mourn are blessed, for they will be comforted.
⁵ “The gentle are blessed, for they will inherit the earth.
⁶ “Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness are blessed, for they will be filled.
⁷ “The merciful are blessed, for they will receive mercy.
⁸ “The pure in heart are blessed, for they will see God.
⁹ “The peacemakers are blessed, for they will be called children of God.
¹⁰ “Those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake are blessed, for the reign of heaven is theirs.
¹¹ “You are blessed 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.”

SERMON

Blessed

Pastor Joseph Crippen

Silence for reflection

HYMN: “Blessed, How Blessed”

Sung at Mount Olive on the Sixth Sunday after Epiphany, year C, February 17, 2019.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

*Our Assisting Minister for today, Gretchen Campbell-Johnson, has prepared intercessory prayers for us to pray this morning. As our prayers rise up from all over the metro area and beyond, once more we are joined together in Christ. (Our weekly prayer list is on the last page.) Response: **Hear our prayer.***

PEACE *Please greet one another with Christ's peace.*

OFFERING

There are ways to continue to give of your gifts to our shared work at Mount Olive during this time apart. *The Olive Branch* has suggested ways both electronic and by mail. See:

<https://www.mountolivechurch.org/resources/olive-branch-newsletter/>

Sending

LORD'S PRAYER *Pray the Lord's Prayer together.*

BLESSING *Response: **Amen***

HYMN: ELW 423, "Shall We Gather at the River"

Sung at Mount Olive on All Saints Sunday, November 3, 2019.

DISMISSAL *The assisting minister leads the dismissal.*

☒ Go in peace to love and serve as Christ.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: from *Requiem*: "In Paradisum"

Gabriel Fauré

Recorded on All Saints Day, November 1, 2015.

On the Requiem:

Mount Olive Cantorei and Chamber Orchestra; Cantor Cherwien, conducting.

Soloist for Pie Jesu – Susan Palo Cherwien



In Our Prayers

- Please pray throughout the week for the following persons: Mary Lee; Elizabeth Beissel, Nancy Flatgard; Leila Froehlich; Victor Gebauer; Leanna Kloempken; Kandi Jo Nelson; Jerry Ostlund; Pariann Schenk; Christine Walberg, Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Jodi Royce, daughter of Julia Adams and daughter-in-law of Evelyn Royce; Kjell Thompson, Reba Zumberge, relatives of Nancy Anderson; Tommie and Susie Hunter, Danna Nelson, Jacques, friends of Jim Bargmann; Tom McCarr, friend of Keith Bartz; Arthur Kaemmer, friend of David Bryce; Randy Caverly and Nancy Stelling, nephew and friend of Marcia & Dan Burow; Lela Frazier, sister of Irene Campbell; Klarrisa Ramirez, friend of Gretchen Campbell-Johnson; Logan Bushaw and Judy Williamson, friend of Allen & Lora Dundek and cousin of Lora Dundek; Greg Eklund, son of Harry & Jeanette Eklund; Susan Bary, friend of Judy Graves; Dolores & David G. Gutierrez, Sr., Chris and David Gutierrez, Jr., parents and brothers of Consuelo Gutierrez-Crosby; Carol Halter (missionary in Hong Kong), friend of Eunice Hafemeister; Lynn

Kernkamp, friend of Peggy Hoeft; Tami Huisinga, relative of Wes Huisinga; Craig Cunningham, brother-in-law of Brian Jacobs; Donald Johnson, father of Nicholas Johnson; Nicole Sanders and Ann Clark, daughter and friend of Mary Rose Kaliher; Danielle Pitzen, friend of Ellen Kormanik; Barbara Dahl, sister of Carla Manuel; Dani Olson, Harper Linqvist, Steve Camper, relatives and friend of Julie Manuel; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Martha Johnson, sister of Rhoda Nelson and aunt of Sherry Nelson; Janet Freeburg, friend of Lisa Nordeen; Michael Waechter, friend of Rod & Connie Olson; Kathleen Austad, sister of Jerry Ostlund; Jay Heffern, friend of Gary Pagel; Jerry Baack and Todd Erickson, friends of Jean & Doug Parish; Rudd Rayfield, Jolie Meshbeshier Hassler, Katelyn Bowden, Cindy Williams, father and friends of Robin Rayfield; Leila Jeffers, mother of Lynn and Lisa Ruff; Miranda Alvis, niece of Tim Sneer; Carrie, friend of Paul & Melissa Stone; Norlene Bateman, aunt of Ted Thompson; Jennifer Kobylinski, cousin of Kathy Thurston; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Andrew Weichman, Levi Boswell, son and nephew of Grace Wiechman; BJ Wilkes, Joshua Wilkes, LaTrell Wilkes and Julius Underwood, and Lonnell Wilkes, son, nephews, grandson and brother of James Wilkes; Sandra Dycus, Becky Groska, Diane Ristrom, Cathy Reid, Karen Swanson, Patrick Clark, Annie Hose-Ryan, Marcia Van Gorden, friends of Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Anne-Marie Lundberg, cousin of Eric Zander; Jeff Sartain, husband of former Mount Olive Cantor, Mark Sedio; Judy Bonnes, Jan Harper (spouse of former Mount Olive vicar, the late Jean Hay); Tommie & Susie Hunter; Barbara C. Johnson, friends of Mount Olive.

- **At the death of:** Rev. Gerhard Pera, brother of Eunice and uncle of Linda Hafemeister.
- **For those celebrating their baptism anniversaries this week:** Meegan Anderson, Harry Eklund, Erik Gronberg, Valerie John-Amala, Timothy Reddy, John Regan, Lenore Regan, John Severson, Randy Werner, Emmett Peterson, Rachel Crippen, Victor Gebauer, Harold Regan, and Benjamin Parish.
- **Prayers for all in the health care system here and around the world** who put their lives at risk to care for those infected with COVID 19 and caring for all others who are ill as well.
- **Our continual prayers are offered for peace:** We pray for all of the world's governments, leaders and peoples, especially for those who work overseas toward peace: Solveig & Philip, daughter and son-in-law of Karen Johnson; and Tyson Crosby, relative of the Crosby family.
- **We remember the saints who have gone before us:**

November 3: St. Martín de Porres, renewer of society, died 1639 - Martín was the son of a Spanish knight and a freed black slave from Panama. As a lay brother in the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), he engaged in many charitable works in Lima, Peru. He founded an orphanage, a hospital, and a clinic for cats and dogs.

November 7: John Christian Frederick Heyer, died 1873; Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, died 1719; Ludwig Nommensen, died 1918; missionaries - Heyer was the first missionary sent out by American Lutherans. After teaching at Gettysburg College and Seminary he was assigned to the Andhra region of India. A worker among the Tamil people on the southeast coast of India, Ziegenbalg was opposed both by local Hindus and by Danish authorities who favored a different missionary style. He was known for caring about the welfare of the whole person. Nommensen was born in northern Germany and was sent to Sumatra as a Lutheran missionary. Working among the Batak people, he translated the scriptures into their language, and honored their native culture.