

ST. LUCAS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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All Saints Day

November 4th & 5th, 2023

The Season

In the first half of the Church Year (Advent through Pentecost) we look at the life of Christ—his birth, ministry, death, resurrection, ascension, and the sending of the Holy Spirit. In the second half of the year, we look at the teachings of Christ.

The Sunday

On this day we remember every saint who has gone before us—all those who had faith in the Lamb of God: the heroes of faith in Scripture; our faithful Christian family members, now fallen asleep. They all endured hardship and pain. But no more. Now they enjoy perfect glory, peace, and joy. As we journey through the challenges of life, how do we endure? We remember all the saints. We focus on the future glory that waits for us.

Prayer before Worship

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord." Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Laura Schulz

Organist:

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning

Ushers: Chris Peters (6 pm Saturday)

Matthew Stoltz (8 am Sunday) Steve Wolter (10:30 am Sunday)



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Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. The apostle Paul writes to the Romans: "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Jesus gives us this comfort: "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

Death has been swallowed up in victory! Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

When Christ, who is our life, appears, Then we also will appear with him in glory.

We will be before the throne of God And serve him day and night in his temple.

Never again will we hunger; Never again will we thirst.

For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be our shepherd; he will lead us to springs of living water.

And God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.



For All the Saints

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- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon, to faithful warriors cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
 - Alleluia! Alleluia!
- But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: 7 the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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The Word

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together into one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow the example of your blessed saints in lives of faith and willing service and with them at last inherit the inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰And they cried out in a loud voice:

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"Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."
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"All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying:

"Amen!
Praise and glory
and wisdom and thanks and honor
and power and strength
be to our God for ever and ever.
Amen!"

¹³Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?"

¹⁴I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵Therefore,

"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'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst.

The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat.

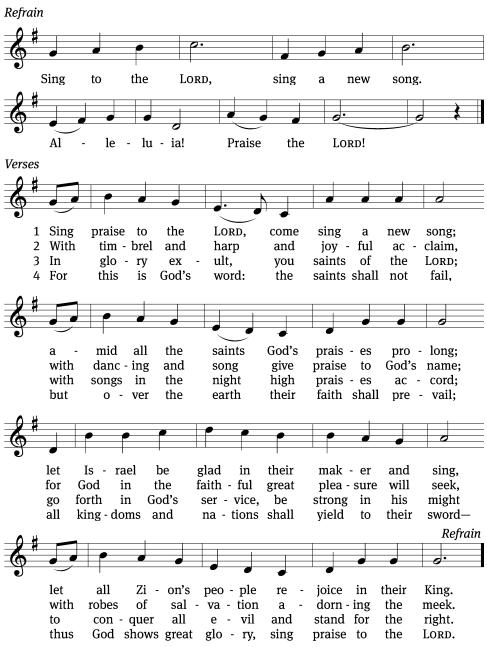
17For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd;

'he will lead them to springs of living water.'

'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



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Second Reading

1 John 3:1-3

'See what great love the Father has lavished on 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. 'Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. 'All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Revelation 7:15

Alleluia!

They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 5:1–12

¹Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, ²and he began to teach them.

He said:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴Blessed are those who mourn,

for they will be comforted.

⁵Blessed are the meek,

for they will inherit the earth.

⁶Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

for they will be filled.

⁷Blessed are the merciful,

for they will be shown mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart,

for they will see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers,

for they will be called children of God.

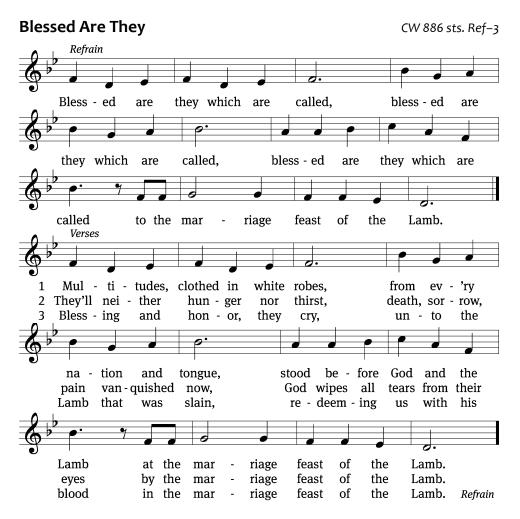
¹⁰Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated



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Remembrance of the Saints Triumphant

"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die." (John 11:25-26)

Blanche Dreher

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. (Colossians 3:1-2)

Dennis Anderson

I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God. (Job 19:25-26)

David Dreher

"Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged

but has crossed over from death to life." (John 5:24)

Gary Scheid

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day. (2 Timothy 4:7-8)

Jeannette Cudnohoske

For none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone. 8 If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord.

So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. (Romans 14:7-8)

Betty Backus



"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
"Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise." (Luke 23:42-43)

Elizabeth Raether

Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope.

For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-14)

Thomas Stern

Blessed Are They

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- 4 Servant, saint, martyr at rest, sanctified, ransomed, restored, thund'rously sing a new song of the marriage feast of the Lamb. (v. 5)
- Worthy are you, Lamb of God, to receive glory and praise.Alleluia and amen for the marriage feast of the Lamb! (Refrain)

Ref Blessèd are they which are called, blessèd are they which are called, blessèd are they which are called to the marriage feast of the Lamb.

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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Be seated



Prayer of the Church

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

That great cloud of witnesses whose living trust in you, recorded in your Word, becomes an example for us to imitate and follow.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us your blessing.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

The reformers and confessors who faced the terror of church and empire but stood firm in your truth because they were moved by grace, empowered by faith, and guided by Scripture.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their courage.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Your faithful followers of every age—among them our parents and grandparents and our mentors and models—whom your Spirit called, gathered, enlightened, and sanctified to be your holy Church and by whose faithful words and deeds the gospel of your grace arrived also to us.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their resolve.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Those we have known who endured uncommon handicaps, chronic illnesses, and severe hardships yet followed you in simple faith and lived their lives with patience and persistence.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their joy.

With grateful hearts, Lord,

We remember before you this day...

Our own loved ones whose memories still burn within our hearts, whom you have called in your good time from their labors in life to that life which knows no end.

Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their reward.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Empower us, Lord, to carry on the work you gave to your people of the past, trusting your Son, holding to your Word, confessing your truth, loving the lost, reaching out with your love, until you call us, too, by your great grace in Jesus Christ, to join them where memories are swallowed up in everlasting joy.

Amen.

Offering God's people offer their first and best to the Lord in response to the Lord's blessings to them. The offering is gathered in a basket in the church entrance before or after the service. If you prefer to give electronically, you may scan this graphic to access www.stlucaswels.org/donate.





Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.



Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

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Announcements

Congregational Meeting: We will have a congregational meeting this Sunday, November 5, at 9:05 am (between services) to renew the Divine Call for Mrs. Burt in our Lutheran Elementary School, and hear an update from our Church Building Coordinating Task Force.

Call Acknowledgement - Mark Hesse:

Dear St. Lucas Family,

On October 22, I received a divine call from St. Luke's Lutheran School in Vassar, MI to teach grades 4-8 and serve as principal.

As I deliberate between the two calls I hold, I pray for wisdom and guidance from our gracious God and for your continued support and prayer. The support and encouragement this congregation has always given me makes it a joy to serve at St. Lucas. Now I humbly ask our Lord that he use me as a vessel to diligently carry out his will wherever I may best serve his kingdom.

Yours in Christ,

Mr. Mark A. Hesse

Scholarships Available: St. Lucas Lutheran Church is blessed to offer scholarships through two endowment funds. The first is the <u>Walvoord Music Scholarship</u>. This longstanding scholarship is named for a longtime organist at our church. Any member who is taking music lessons may apply for this scholarship.

The second fund supports <u>Higher Education Grants</u>. Any member attending a WELS Lutheran High School, Synodical Prep School, Martin Luther College, or Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, may apply for this grant.

Please go to our <u>church website</u> to find the links for the applications for both scholarship options.

LUTHERAN MEMORIAL PARK FALL CLEAN UP REMINDER: All summer and fall decorations need to be removed by December 1st. After that, caretakers will remove them and place salvageable items next to the shed for a short period of time. Any decorations found outside of the planting area are removed, placed next to the shed for a short period of time and then discarded. Glass and breakable objects are not allowed. The Responsibilities of Family and Friends of the Deceased as it relates to Lutheran Memorial Park is located in a stand at the back of church, posted on a stand as you enter the cemetery, and on the utility shed. Thank you to the Board and our caretaker, Steve Backhaus, for keeping our Cemetery looking its best. Memorials and donations for upkeep of

Lutheran Memorial Park and St. Lucas Cemetery are very much appreciated. Thank you to everyone for your help and cooperation.

Focus on Ministry at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary: This WLS Focus on Ministry is intended to bring high school boys onto the WLS campus, allow them a chance to speak with current students, and lead them to think more about the pastoral ministry.

We have scheduled two more Focus on Ministry events at WLS for 2023-2024: Sunday-Monday, November 12-13, 2023, and Sunday-Monday, February 25-26, 2024.

During this trip the student will tour the seminary campus, visit classes, worship in chapel, and stay in the dorms. They'll also enjoy fellowship, games, food, and entertainment with young men from the seminary who are preparing to be pastors. They will answer questions and share what it's like to train to be a pastor. **WELS Middle School Honors Band Festival and Concert:** KML will be hosting the seventh annual WELS Middle School Honors Band Festival on Saturday, November 18. Over 60 students from 10 different WELS band programs were selected to participate in this event, including 14 from KML's program. The guest clinician and conductor for the group will be Professor Daniel Hubert from Wisconsin Lutheran College. The day will conclude with a performance in KML's Performing Arts Center Auditorium at 6:30 PM. There is no cost for admission. A free will offering will be collected. We hope you can join us - and bring a friend!

KML Job Opening: Full-Time Maintenance 2nd Shift: KML is looking for a responsible, motivated person to handle basic maintenance in the school. Duties include basic electrical, plumbing, and carpentry skills. Shift starts at 1:00 PM (flexible), full-time, 40 hours/week. Benefits include: 403 (b) retirement plan, health and dental insurance, paid vacation, sick days, and paid holidays. If interested or for additional information, please contact Mr. Jody Hansen, Director of Operations (262.677.4051 x4004; jody.hansen@kmlhs.org).

Veterans Day Observance at KML: KML's annual Veterans Day Observance will be held **Thursday**, **November 2**, **2023**, **at 9:20 AM** in the KML PAC. Doors open at 9:00 AM. All are invited to attend. No RSVP necessary. More info at kmlhs.org/veterans.

Positions available at MLC: Martin Luther College is accepting applications for a full time <u>Director of Financial Aid</u>, a full-time <u>Director of Alumni Relations</u>, and part-time <u>Assistant Coaches in baseball and tennis</u>.

Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

Celebrating God's Blessings This Week:

BIRTHDAYS

Leroy Heider Jr. – 11/5

Connie Jones – 11/5

Elaine Springer – 11/5

Debbie Pesch – 11/6

Ann Rudzitis – 11/6

Leif Hesse – 11/8

Nichole Springer – 11/8

Isabelle LaDuke – 11/10

Richard Schmidt – 11/10

Calendar

Readings for November 5th - November 12th, 2023

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY			
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				Jeremiah 11:1-2			
Jeremiah 7:1-29		Jeremiah 8:18-9:12		Jeremiah 12:1-19:15			
Matthew 23:1-12		Matthew 23:13-39		Matthew 24:1-28			
*Worship 8 am				Bible Study 6:30 pm			
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Matthew 24:29-51		Matthew 25:1-113		Mattnew 25:14 	-30		
Catechism Instruction for 6th-		Fuel for Moms 7:45 am					
8th Graders 3:30pm		Bible Study 10 am					
SATURDAY		SUNDAY		UPCOMING USHERS			
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Jeremiah 23:21-40		Jeremiah 25:1-18		Sat. 11/11:	Beyer	6pm	
Matthew 25:31-46		Matthew 26:1-19		Sun. 11/12:	Schacht	8am	
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6 pm		Sunday School 9:15 am					
_		Bible Hour 9:15 am		Sat. 11/18:	Butzke	6pm	
		*Worship w/Communion 10	:30	Sun. 11/19:	Kempf	8am	
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