

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

701 S. College Avenue, Newark, Delaware 19713

*Growing in faith. Growing in community.
Welcoming all in Jesus' name.*



FESTIVAL OF ALL SAINTS
Sunday, November 2, 2025

**10AM Service of
Holy Communion**



In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

We believe all people are created in God's image.

Rooted in Jesus' ministry of liberation, unconditional love, and hospitality, we strive to welcome all into our community. This welcome explicitly includes those who have traditionally been marginalized in the church and society due to their sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, marital status, racial and ethnic background, physical ability, developmental ability, citizenship/documentation status, and socio-economic status.

We hope that our young people experience God in our gathering together. Families are welcome to use the Playground in the rear corner of the sanctuary if you want more space, and to use the Playground in the narthex if you need a break from the activities in the sanctuary. Most of all, know that the joyful noise of young people in our worship is welcome!

Hearing assist devices are available in the narthex.
If you need any other help with worship,
please speak with an usher at the doors to the sanctuary.

✠ GATHERING ✠

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Upon entering the sanctuary, the people pray silently or engage in quiet meditation allowing the music to focus their attention on God and God's kingdom.

PRELUDE “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones” arr. Dewey Owens
LASST UNS EFREUEN
Anne Sullian, harp
Mike Bareham, organ

Please remain seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand, as you are able, and turn to face the font.

PROCESSION AND COLLECT

The paschal candle is carried to the stand in front of the assembly. The assembly turns forward as the procession passes them.

In the new Jerusalem there will be no need of sun or moon,

for the glory of God will be its light.

Before the Lamb is a multitude from every nation,

and they worship God night and day.

Surely he is coming soon.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Blessed are you, O Lord God, king of the universe,
who led your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day
and a pillar of fire by night:

Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ;
may his Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
for you are merciful, and you love your whole creation,
and we, your creatures, glorify you, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

ELW 414 (harmony)



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
 and the white-robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900

Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
 and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Faithful God,
**you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.
We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom
of your faithful promises.
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.
Repair our relationships,
restore what we have broken,
renew our hearts, and bring us to new life.
Amen.**

Hear the good news:
God the Faithful One loves you,
✠ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
Amen.

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beloved of God, called to be saints:
Grace, mercy, and peace 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.

The assembly is seated.

✚ WORD ✚

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom

A reading from Daniel:

¹ In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ² I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³ and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶ I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷ “As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever – forever and ever.”

O Ancient of Days, through the outpouring of your holy word,
may we rejoice in the promised new life of justice and peace.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalms 149

Antiphon: Ps. 149:1

Sing the LORD's praise in the assembly of the faithful. Hallelujah!

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¹ Sing to the LORD a new song,

God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

² Let Israel rejoice in their maker;

let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

³ Let them praise their maker's name with dancing;

let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.

⁴ For the LORD takes pleasure in the people

and adorns the poor with victory.

Sing the LORD's praise in the assembly of the faithful. Hallelujah!

⁵ Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;

let them sing for joy on their beds.

⁶ Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand,
⁷ to wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples,
⁸ to bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron,
⁹ to inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all God's faithful ones.
Sing the LORD's praise in the assembly of the faithful. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:11-23

God raised Christ from the dead and made him head over all the church

A reading from Ephesians:

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

O Ancient of Days, through the outpouring of your holy word,
may we rejoice in the promised new life of justice and peace.

Please stand, as you are able.

WELCOMING THE GOSPEL

For All Your Saints, O Lord
ELW 427; Verse 1



GOSPEL READING

Luke 19:1-10

Zacchaeus climbs into a tree to see Jesus

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through it. ² A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. ⁷ All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." ⁸ Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." ⁹ Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CELEBRATING THE GOSPEL

For All Your Saints, O Lord
ELW 427; Verse 2



2 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die,



who count-ed you their great re-ward, ac - cept our thank - ful cry.

Text: Richard Mant, 1776–1848, alt.

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893

Be seated.

SERMON

Pastor Cris Frigm

Feel free to take notes, write down your own reflections, or engage in Spirit-led doodling.



Please stand, as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Death Be Never Last

ACS 1030

1 We walk in light of count-less fac-es
2 When sor-row's heav-y hand has weight-ed
3 When joy re-turns with laugh-ter sing-ing

bright as beams of ris-ing sun, cer-tain as the
loss a-gainst the great-er gain, pin-ning down that
thanks to God for life's sweet song, let us fol-low

morn-ing chas-es night in end-less a-ges' run.
grief sore fat-ed lad-en on the bed of pain.
af-ter bring-ing thanks to God for those now gone.

Refrain

Turn-ing eyes now to their shin-ing mem-'ry, to their faith-ful past,
saints be now the truth di-vin-ing: death be now but nev-er last.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: DEATH BE NEVER LAST, Ray Makeever

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken 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.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of your church. Move through us with boldness so that we proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world. Renew and revive pastors, deacons, and lay leaders. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policy that will ensure a viable future for generations to come. Restore desolate places to health and flourishing. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all our days, guide the leaders of governments, nations, municipalities, and all those seeking office. Accompany election officials and volunteers. Dismantle injustice and oppression wherever it is found. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care. Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of promised wholeness, we pray for those who are ill in body or mind, especially Steve, those on our prayer list, and those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts...*(brief silence)*. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of renewed vigor, gather from the four corners of the world all those who weep in despair or loneliness. Through the compassionate witness of Jesus, comfort and bless all who are hungry, naked, or poor, those who have withstood oppression, and those who are bowed in anguish before violence. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of time and space, we give thanks for the faithful departed, especially Nini. Sustain us in hope of our eternal unity in Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

THE PEACE

Christ our Lord calls all who love him to live in peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

*The assembly exchanges signs and words
of God's peace, saying, **Peace be with you.***

Be seated.

✠ MEAL ✠

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GATHERING OF GIFTS

*In response to God's love in Jesus Christ,
we offer our gifts for service and mission.*

*At this time, please sign the Fellowship Pad (the black folder) found at the end of your pew and pass it to your neighbor and back again. We ask **visitors** to provide us with contact information so we can thank you for enriching our worship experience. We ask **members** to update any changes to their information so records are maintained.*

ANTHEM

"No Night There"
Sanctuary Choir

Dan Forrest

*Text: Matt. 1:23, 28:20; Rev. 21:3; Ps. 118:6, 23:4;
Luke 1:13, 30; Matt. 1:20; Luke 2:10; Rev. 22:5, 21:4*

*Please stand, as you are able, and sing
as the gifts are presented and the table is set.*

OFFERTORY

If We Live, We Live to the Lord
ACS 1025



Text: Rolf Vegdahl, b. 1955, based on Romans 14:8, Psalm 103

Music: IF WE LIVE, Rolf Vegdahl

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the
abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our
Savior, now and forever. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

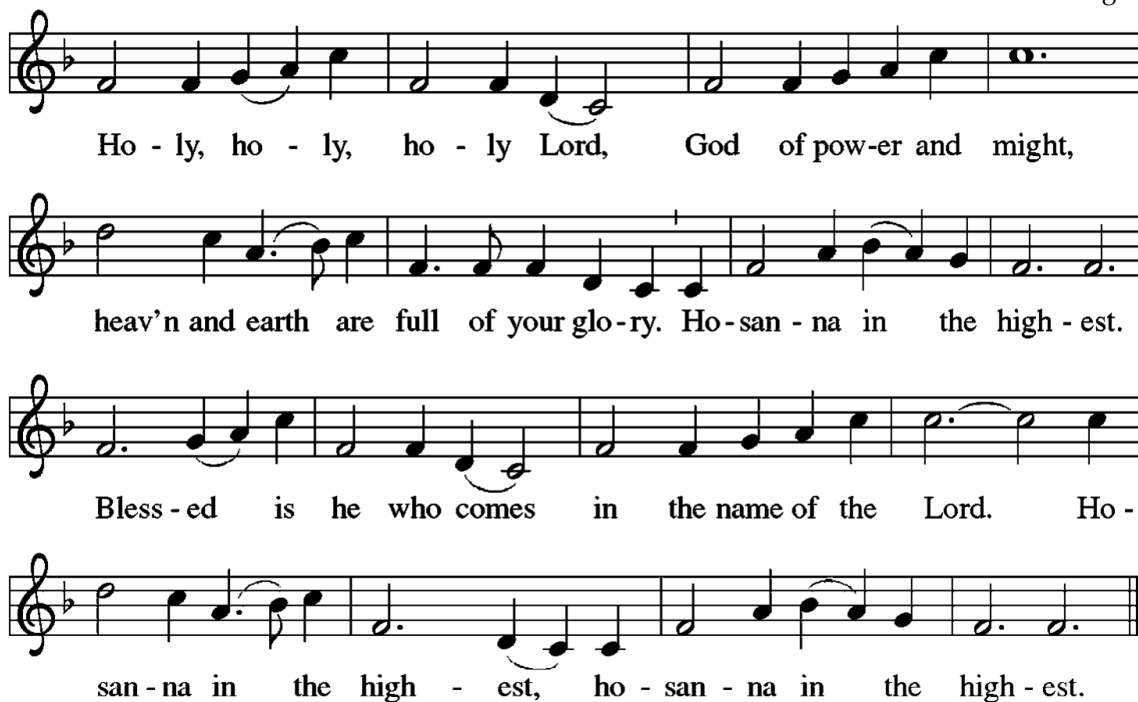
that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,
that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.
And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

ELW Setting 10



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

With all the saints of Africa and Asia, India and the islands, Europe and the Americas, we praise you, O God, for you create the worlds.

With all the baptized, the old and the young, the weak and the strong, the famous and the forgotten, we bless you, O God, for you provide us with water and food.

With all the faithful in cities and on farms, in mansions and huts, past and present, we worship you, O God, for you shelter the generations.

With all your holy people, those who ministered in the church, those who served the poor, and all who walked the way of the cross, we glorify you, O God, for in Jesus you journeyed with us on earth.

With Paul and the evangelists, we remember the meal of your Son:

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.

With Peter and all the martyrs, we honor Christ's death, saying,

Amen!

With Mary Magdalene and all the apostles, we proclaim his resurrection, shouting,

Amen!

With John and all the theologians and mystics, we look for his returning, pleading,

Amen!

With the Virgin Mary and all who sang of your greatness, we pray for the power of the Spirit. Visit this gathering, this bread and this cup, with the presence of the body and blood of Christ. Form us into a communion of service, and infuse your earth with the wholeness we seek. With grandparents and godparents, with the church universal, lead us to a future we cannot yet see, and at the end draw all humanity to yourself.

Now with all of the family you saved by your love, we shout:

**Blessing, glory, wisdom, thanksgiving, honor, power, and might
be to our God forever and ever. Amen!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

With saints and martyrs through the ages,
we pray as our Savior taught us:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

OR

**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 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.

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.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

There is a place for you at the table of God.
 We come to receive the food that does not perish,
 a taste of life eternal.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

ELW Setting 10



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Be seated.

HOLY COMMUNION

In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Those who choose not to commune are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossed arms. If you would like to receive communion in your pew, please notify an usher.
Non-alcoholic grape juice and gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table

ACS 977

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Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In

ACS 950

Found on p. 21

*After all have communed and returned to their places, **remain seated.***

BLESSING AND PRAYER

Strengthened by the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ and kept in his grace, we pray: Remember us, and all the faithful, when you come into your kingdom, Lord. As you have fed us with holy food and drink, send us into the world to live as your holy people, until we come to the full vision of your glory, for you are lord, now and forever.

Amen.

✙ SENDING ✙

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

RITE OF REMEMBRANCE

While we revere those who have gone before us in faith and remember them in love, this rite reminds us that in holy baptism God unites all the faithful into the one holy catholic and apostolic church: the church on earth and the church in heaven.

God of all the ages, we praise you for all your servants, who have done justice, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God. For apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to your truth,
we praise you, O God.

HYMN (pp. 22-23)

For All the Saints
LBW 174; Vss. 1 -2

For all your servants who have faithfully served you in this place, witnessed bravely, and died in faith, who are still shining light in the world,
we praise you, O God.

Loretta Peterson

Marie Bollman

Virginia Rundell

Family and friends are invited to come forward during the singing of the hymn to light a candle in memory of those who were members of this congregation.

HYMN (pp. 22-23)

For All the Saints
LBW 174; Vss. 3 - 4

For those we have known and loved, who by their faithful obedience and steadfast hope, have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus,
we praise you, O God.

Richard Miller

Sean Kay

Dennis Stewart

Ruth Rhodes

Betty Dean

Edith Menna

Sheri Fulmer

Joan Lawskey

Kris Sober Michaels

Gary Saylor

The Reverend

Junior Wiles

Karen Rowan

William Zimmermann

Lloyd Greenwood

The Reverend Susan Nagel

Jim Morehead

Marie Earle Powell

Conrad Youse

Trudy Hastings

The Reverend

Will Nielson

Dominic DiChristopher

Conrad Youse

Charlotte French

Marina Vasconcelos

Ted Hendricks, Sr.

Dan Pule

Christian Yaiser

John Glassic

Julia Kay

Gene Spence

Kris Fowler

Family and friends are invited to come forward during the singing of the hymn to light a candle in memory of their loved ones named in our prayers this past year.

HYMN (pp. 22-23)

For All the Saints
LBW 174; Vss. 5 - 6

Please stand, as you are able.

For those no longer remembered, who earnestly sought you in darkness, who held fast their faith in trial, and served others,
we praise you, O God.

Keep us grateful in their witness, and like them, eager to follow in the way of Christ. Then at the last, bring us with them to share in the inheritance of the saints in light; through Jesus Christ the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
Amen.

*Family and friends are invited to come forward during the singing of the hymn to light a candle in memory of those unknown to us who have died **in the past year.***

HYMN (pp. 22-23)

For All the Saints
LBW 174; Vss. 7 -8

BENEDICTION

The church is surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.
May you find strength and courage in their presence.
Amen.

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace with all the saints to serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones” arr. Reybold-Rowland
LASST UNS EFREUEN

Who are the saints, and what do they have to say to us? Rather than being perfect Christians, the saints are people who have been made whole by the grace of God, through baptism into Christ. The communion of saints is a diverse array of witnesses who remind us of God’s continuing faithfulness, past, present, and future. In the picture painted by the gospel reading from Luke, the saints challenge us to embody the surprising, world-reversing ways of the reign of God.

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table



1 Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries
2 Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -
3 Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou - sand
4 Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to



that they bring. Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing;
ers ap - pear, saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled
dif - f'rent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon:
be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,



some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why they're in -
with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of his de -
they all end in thanks and praise for the host who has in -
who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es bread and



vit - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done. Christ in - sists they
ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight; Paul re - lates his
vit - ed north and south and east and west to con - verge a -
breaks it— truth and man - na from a - bove!— and then pass - es



all are wel - come. There is room for ev - 'ry - one.
fruit - less ef - forts to ob - lit - er - ate the light.
round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest.
wine that wa - kens in your heart the taste of love.

Text: Thomas H. Troeger, b. 1945

Music: COPELAND, Michael Corzine, b. 1947

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Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In

1 Oh, when the saints go march - ing in, oh, when the
 2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the
 3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the
 4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they
 5 And on that hal - le - lu - jah day, and on that

saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that
 Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that
 new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that
 gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that
 hal - le - lu - jah day, O Lord, I want to be in that

num - ber when the saints go march - ing in.
 num - ber when the Lord in glo - ry comes.
 num - ber when the new world is re - vealed.
 num - ber when they gath - er round the throne.
 num - ber on that hal - le - lu - jah day.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version

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1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,
2 You were their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,
7 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the
8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



all who by faith be - fore the world con - fessed,
you, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old
saints . . . tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray;
gates . . . of pearl streams in the count - less host,



your name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
you, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
and win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
the King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine,
5 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
6 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;



we fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine;
steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song,
soon, soon to faith - ful war - riors comes their rest;

yet all are are one with - in your great de - sign.
and hearts are are one brave a - gain and arms are strong.
sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.
Music: SINE NOMINE, R. Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958





The flowers in the chancel are given
to the glory and praise of God in memory of
Ruth Ann Chisholm's birthday by Henry Chisholm.



ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Assisting Minister: Lynn Deschere
Lector: Ping-An Tjoa
Bread Provider: Sherry Mench
Altar Guild: Cheri Simons
Flower Guild: Cheri Simons

*They are before the throne of God,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.*

Revelation 7:15

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Mourning is sorrow for the loss of those dear to us. Those who have turned to God lose the things they held dear in this world. For they no longer delight in the things they delighted in before. And until the love of eternal things is formed in them, they are stricken by a certain grief. They will therefore be comforted by the Holy Spirit, who especially because of this is called the Paraclete, the Comforter. Thus by letting go of temporal delight, they may enjoy that which is eternal.

— Augustine, in *The Sunday Sermons of the Great Fathers*, IV, 465

ST. PAUL'S WEEKLY EPISTLE

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2, 2025

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

"With the church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn," proclaims the presiding minister in the eucharistic prayer. On the festival of All Saints' we remember with thanksgiving those who have lived and died in the faith. They are the sign of our hope and an image of the glory we shall inherit. But even more, they are worshippers with us this day as we sing the praises of the God who brings life out of death.

ALL SAINTS' CONCERT

Plan to join us this afternoon, **Sunday, November 2, at 4:00 PM** as our Sanctuary Choir and guest vocalists and instrumentalists present Faure's exceptional masterwork "Requiem." Our handbell ensemble will also perform, as well as organ and harp. There will also be opportunity for those gathered to sing. A freewill offering will benefit St. Paul's Friends of Music fund, helping to offset the costs of this concert. A lite reception will follow in Fellowship Hall.

NOTICE OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Congregation Council of St. Paul's Lutheran Church has called a special Congregational Meeting to be held on **Sunday, November 16**, immediately following the service. The sole purpose of the meeting is to decide whether to accept a proposal to install solar panels on the church. Hard copies of the proposal are available in the Welcome Center area. Please conserve paper by viewing the electronic document as you are able (<https://bit.ly/StPaulsNewarkSolarPanels>).

SAINTLY SENIORS

Your Membership Ministry team is inviting you to participate in making a craft to present to our saintly seniors this fall. You can help in two ways - come on **Sunday, November 16** and enjoy the craft making. And volunteer to visit one of our homebound seniors later that week or just before Thanksgiving. Please RSVP to Linda Grund at lgrund923@gmail.com.

STEP UP TO THE PLATE

We're still in the midst of our own "World Series" for our 2026 Pledging Campaign, and so far we've gotten forty-four pledges for \$274,915 towards our Operating Fund goal of \$345,000 and another \$9,850 for Endowment's target of \$15,000. Thank you to everyone who has already made their commitment to our church!

Please prayerfully and carefully consider making a pledge if you haven't already. Pledge cards are available in the popcorn box on the Big Board. When you've filled it out you can drop it in the Gold Box or mail it to the Church Office or put it in the Offering plate on Sunday. Be part of our winning team here at St. Paul's as we round third base and head for home!

ADULT FORUM

On **Sunday, November 9**, Victoria Kenyon, a doctoral candidate in Art History, starts a series on the history of Christian painting. "From a New Religion to the Renaissance" will explore how artists represented Christian stories and themes from the church's early days to around the sixteenth century. How did the faithful decorate their first places of worship—the catacombs—and create religious iconography in a pagan world? What forms and techniques did painters like Leonardo da Vinci and Michelangelo use to bring the holy down to humanity? It all starts at **8:30 AM** in the Blue Room.

BREWING THEOLOGY

For everyone twenty-one and older, please join us on Wednesday, **November 5, at 7:00 PM** at the Delaware Saengerbund for a tasty beverage, some snacks, and some hearty conversation. Our topic for this week will be "The Impact of technology on spirituality - discuss the film "Social Dilemma".

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Reservations along with payment are needed by **Wednesday, November 5** for the Wednesday, December 17 trip to Candlelight Theatre. Cost is \$64.50 per person and includes meal, show and gratuity. To make reservations or questions, contact Roy Palo. His email is - palonpaa@aol.com. Phone number is cell (302) 561-0728, home (302) 456-9757. Mailing address is 8 Charcoal Ct. Newark, DE 19702-3642.

A HILLTOP THANKSGIVING

November means St. Paul's will work with all Lutheran congregations in New Castle County and collect badly needed and much appreciated Thanksgiving baskets for needy families at the Hilltop Lutheran Neighborhood Center in Wilmington. Those baskets include: frozen turkeys, boxed stuffing and mashed potatoes, canned vegetables, cranberry sauce, and gravy. Please bring your contributions to the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, November 23, by 10:00 AM**. Cash donations are also encouraged and we'll do your shopping for you! Thank you.

FISH BREADS - MAKE 'EM, BAKE 'EM, AND TAKE 'EM TO CHURCH!

Thanksgiving is right around the corner - so FISH is prepping for our distribution on November 21, including our annual FISH breads. If you'd like to help, break out your baking pans and make a few little loaves of pumpkin or cranberry or banana or "whatever" bread to share. Bundle them up in clear plastic wrap or aluminum foil and note the type of bread on the outside of the wrapping (we don't want anyone with a nut allergy to get a surprise!). Our drop off times will be the preceding Wednesday, November 19 and Thursday, November 20 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Still have questions or need a special drop off time? Call or email Keith Bart (302-345-6107 / keith.m.bart@gmail.com).

We invite any and all members of the congregation to help with the Food Bank pickup and re-boxing on Thursday, November 20 at 1 PM, followed immediately by the box packing, and then distribution on Friday the 21st, starting at 2:30 PM.

TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

On **Thursday, November 20**, we will host a prayer service that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence. Worship will be in the Memorial Garden at **7:00 PM** with a reception following in the Fellowship Hall.

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The Newark interfaith community will hold their annual Service of Thanksgiving on **Tuesday, November 25**, at 7:00 PM. This year the service will be held at Temple Beth El, located at 301 Possum Park Road. The theme is "Courage to Care, Grace to be Grateful" based on Micah 6:8 and Talmud. Everyone is asked to bring a canned good for the food pantry. A kosher reception will follow.



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*Together in Jesus Christ we are freed by grace to
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Weekly Epistle/E-mail Blast

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10 AM. Late submissions will be shared

the following week. Please send articles to

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