ALL SAINTS DAY Sunday, November 1, 2020 ↓ denotes singing in the 10:30 service

SERVICE OF THE WORD

HYMN #555 "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

♫ For all your saints, O Lord, Who strove in you to live, Who followed you, obeyed, adored, Our grateful hymn receive.

♫ For all your saints, O Lord, Who strove in you to die, Who counted you their great reward, Accept our thankful cry.

♫ They all in life and death, With you, their Lord, in view, Learned from your Holy Spirit's breath To suffer and to do.

♫ For this your name we bless And humbly pray anew That we like them in holiness May live and die in you.

STAND

- **M:** The grace of our Lord \clubsuit Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- **M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.
- C: J Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- M: Let us pray. Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

BE SEATED

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9: On this mountain the LORD Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines. On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; he will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove the disgrace of his people from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

M: The Word of the Lord.

PSALM OF THE DAY

S *Refrain:* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd,* I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;* he leads me beside quiet waters.

He restores my soul;* he guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil,* for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Refrain: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.* You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,* and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Glory be 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.

Refrain: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:4-13: Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

M: The Word of the Lord.

VERSE OF THE DAY

- **M:** Alleluia. This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation. Alleluia.
- C: J Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

STAND

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14: Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come. "Then he sent some more servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.' "But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed

them. The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. Go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. 'Friend,' he asked, 'how did you get in here without wedding clothes?' The man was speechless. "Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "For many are invited, but few are chosen."

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

BE SEATED

HYMN #551 "For All the Saints"

♫ For all the saints who from their labors rest, All who their faith before the world confessed, Your name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

♫ Oh, may your soldiers, faithful, true, and bold Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

♫ And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long, Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song, And hearts are brave again and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

SERMON - Revelation 7:9-17

"A vision of hope and joy"

STAND

APOSTLES' CREED

C: 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. (Please remain standing)

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

(We will not pass a plate but one will be available on the table as you leave church.)

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BE SEATED

HYMN #540 "Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng"

♫ Rejoice, O pilgrim throng! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ, your king. Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

♫ With voice as full and strong As ocean's surging praise, Send forth the sturdy hymns of old, The psalms of ancient days. Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

♫ With all the angel choirs, With all the saints on earth Pour out the strains of joy and bliss, Sweet music, noblest mirth. Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

♫ Still lift your standard high, Still march in firm array, As pilgrims through the darkness wend Till dawns the golden day. Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! At last the march shall end; The wearied ones shall rest; The pilgrims find their homes at last, Jerusalem the blest. Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

STAND

- M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: J Amen.
- M: 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.

BE SEATED

HYMN #219 "Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See"

♫ Lord, when your glory I shall see And taste your kingdom's pleasure, Your blood my royal robe shall be, My joy beyond all measure! When I appear before your throne, Your righteousness shall be my crown; With these I need not hide me. And there, in garments richly wrought, As your own bride I shall be brought To stand in joy beside you.

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"Farewell Sunday" Drive By: Given the concerns and subsequent restrictions imposed due to COVID, sadly not everyone can, or is comfortable attending Pastor and Jennifer's last services on Sunday November 15th. In an effort to provide everyone with equal opportunity to say their farewell's to Pastor and Jennifer, and also for Pastor and Jennifer to have the same opportunity, there will be a "Drive By Farewell" event held at the Samuel Lutheran parking lot at 1:00 PM on Sunday November 15th. We plan to have Pastor and Jennifer hand out farewell cupcakes while saying their goodbye's to all that are able to attend. We will also have a station that you can drop cards/gifts for the Schreiners as you drive up. More details to follow.

Pre-Call: There will be a pre-call meeting on Sunday, November 8th at 6:00 PM. District President Klatt will hold a Bible study, focusing on the Divine Call. We will then review the WELS calling practices, review the compensation package matrix and other considerations, and conduct a survey to gather the wants/needs of our church in a pastor. From there a call list will be produced in about two weeks. The meeting is expected to last 1 to 1 1/2 hours and all members are welcome to attend. We will follow our COVID guidelines currently in place. You will need to sign up for the meeting like we do for Sunday services by clicking on the meeting registration link on our website. It will be limited to 75 members. If all the slots fill people will be able to listen/participate via a zoom meeting. Please email Linda Onken at the church office for the password to the Zoom meeting—lonken@christlutheran-marshallmn.org.

<u>Offering:</u> Just a reminder that we will not be passing the offering plate. You can leave your offering in the plate on the table as you leave church.

<u>Take Home</u>: Be sure you take your service folder home with you, to recycle. DO NOT leave it in church.

Social Distancing: Please do your best to social distance as you leave church today; don't congregate in the narthex. If you want to talk be sure to do so outside.