Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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www.mybslc.org Worship – 9:30 a.m. Rev. Vernon Lintvedt, Pastor Assisting: PJ Aarsvold, Nathan Nelson and Matt Martin Cheryl Vohlken, Organist Bible Class & Sunday School 10:45 A.M.

All Saints' Day

November 07, 2021

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Matthew 5:8

L: Blessed to be in God's presence, let us confess our sins to Him.

(We take a moment for silent prayers of confession)

Let us pray.

C: Help me, Lord, for I am in great need! My sins are too many to count. My burdens are too heavy to carry. I call out to You for mercy! I ask for Your forgiveness, full and free. As the Father who loves me and sent Jesus to die for me, forgive me of my sins. By Your Holy Spirit, create in me a pure heart that I may worship You in the company of all Your saints. As Your Word has promised, bless me as Your own. Amen.

DECLARATION OF GRACE

SHARING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE "Revelation Song"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, to know You is to know true freedom from sin and to live in the transforming power of Your Holy Spirit. Grant that we, who hold fast to the Word of Your Son, may never return to our captivity but walk daily in the new life we have received; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING Revelation 7:9–17

(The blessed ones surround the heavenly throne of God.)

EPISTLE 1 John 3:1–3 (The blessing of being God's children)

VERSE Hebrews 12:1a, 2a

L: Alleluia. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

C: let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 5:1–12*

(Jesus speaks blessings over His people.)

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SONG OF PRAISE "I Can Only Imagine"

SERMON

"Blessed to be His People" Matthew 5:1-12
Seminarian Nathan Nelson

CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

▼ REMEMBRANCE OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ▼

HYMN No. 670

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" (vs.

(vs. 1)

(vs. 4)

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"

Cry out, dominions, princedoms, pow'rs, Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs: "Alleluia, alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia!

P: In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before the Lord our departed family and friends who have gone before us in faith.

(As each name is read, a bell will toll)

P: Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You on earth... through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN No. 670 "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

O friends, in gladness let us sing, Supernal anthems echoing:

"Alleluia, alleluia!"

To God the Father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, Three in One:

"Alleluia, alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

▼ SACRAMENT ▼

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. [Colossians 3:1]

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [Psalm 136]

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING

- P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth...
 - ... Grant us faithfully to eat the body that was pierced for our transgressions and drink the blood that was shed for our iniquities.
- C: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

SELF-REFLECTION (As the Sacrament is being prepared, let us take this moment of silence to prepare our hearts to receive this sacred meal.)

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

P: Remember us in Your kingdom, Lord, and teach us to pray:

All: 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

POST-COMMUNION HYMN No 813 "Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng" (vss. 3, 7)

With all the angel choirs, With all the saints on earth Pour out the strains of joy and bliss, True rapture, no blest mirth.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Praise Him who reigns on high, The Lord whom we adore: The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God forevermore.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

BLESSING OF THE LORD

- L: May the Lord go before you to prepare your way, behind you to encourage you, above you to watch over you, below you to be your firm foundation, beside you to befriend you, and within you to give you His peace.
- C: Amen.

HYMN No. 672 "Jerusalem the Golden" (vss. 1, 3, 4)

Jerusalem the golden, With milk and honey blest, The promise of salvation, The place of peace and rest We know not, oh, we know not What joys await us there, What radiancy of glory, What bliss beyond compare!

Around the throne of David, The saints, from care released, Raise loud their songs of triumph, To celebrate the feast. They sing to Christ their leader Who conquered in the fight, Who won for them forever Their gleaming robes of white.

Oh, sweet and blessed country, The home of God's elect!
Oh, sweet and blessed country That faithful hearts expect!
In mercy, Jesus, bring us To that eternal rest
With You and God the Father And Spirit, ever blest.

SENDING

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!