

All Saint's Day

Sunday, November 1, 2026





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ALL SAINT'S SUNDAY

WELCOME! We're glad you've joined us for this special service that remembers with gratitude those faithful servants of Christ that have completed their course on earth and now join the "saints in light." After the service we invite worshipers to enjoy some snacks, coffee, and conversation in our fellowship hall.

WORSHIP NOTES:

- ◆ **Bold printed words** indicate the congregation's responses.
- ◆ For families with young children, you're invited to take advantage of our worship activity bags for children located in the lobby. A nursery for children 4 and younger is located in Room #7 of the education wing down the hall past the main bathrooms.
- ◆ For those with hearing loss, we have hearing devices available at the Welcome Window; ask an usher for assistance.
- ◆ For those with eyesight issues, we have large print bulletins; ask an usher for one.
- ◆ If you have a moment, please sign the friendship pad in the pew and pass it to others in your pew.

WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Please observe silence in preparation for worship.

PRELUDE

MICHELLE HANSON

"Down to the River/Shall We Gather at the River?"

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination...

Gracious God...

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, has made us alive together through Christ. Be assured by grace through faith in Christ you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven. May God's Holy Spirit strengthen your faith so that Christ may live in your hearts now and forever.

Amen.

WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS AND PRAISE TO GOD

GATHERING SONG

#422, vv. 1-4

"For All the Saints"

TRINITARIAN GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE (OPENING PRAYER)

p. 184

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Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the
 u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you
 this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,
 let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

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.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

GRACE NOTE CHOIR

"We Are Pilgrims"

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON (*Pew Bible p. 999*)

Revelation 7:9-17

Our first scripture reading is from the New Testament, the book of Revelation, chapter seven, beginning with verse nine.

After this I 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. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ And 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, ¹² singing,

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

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴ I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who 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.

¹⁵ For 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.

¹⁶ They 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.”

This is God's word.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON (*Pew Bible p. 990*)

1 John 3:1-3

Our second lesson comes from the New Testament, the Apostle John's first letter, chapter three, beginning with verse one.

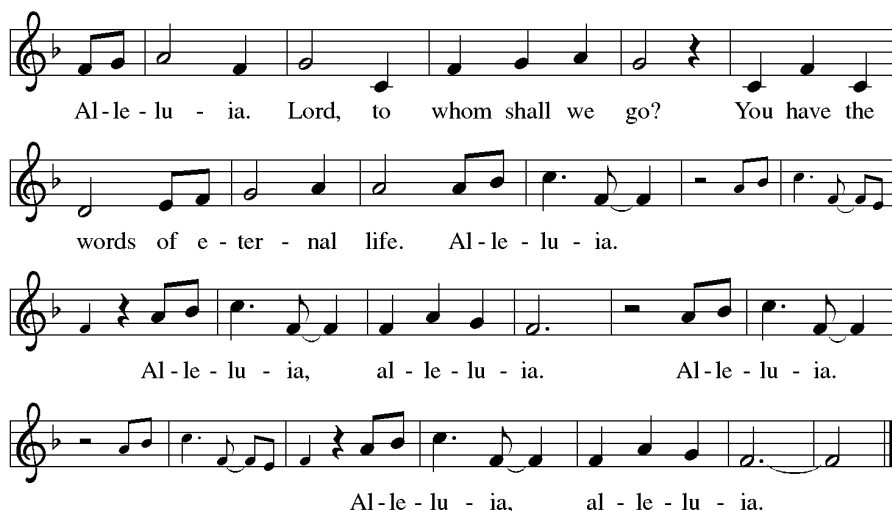
¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, 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.

This is the word of God.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able, for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION p. 188



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al-le - lu - ia.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL (*Pew Bible p. 785*)

Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, chapter five beginning with verse one.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

- ⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
 for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
¹¹ “Blessed are you 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.”

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SONG OF THE DAY

#873

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

THE SERMON

PASTOR MIKE KNAUFF

“Everyone Wants to Go to Heaven, It’s Just That...”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Today in celebration of All Saint’s Day we will conclude our prayers by naming the faithful who have passed on to their heavenly reward through Christ Jesus since last All Saints Day, November 1, 2026. With each name there will be a tolling of the bell and lighting of a candle. Family members are invited to come forward to light a candle when their loved one’s name is lifted up in prayer.

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY MUSIC

THE KING’S MEN

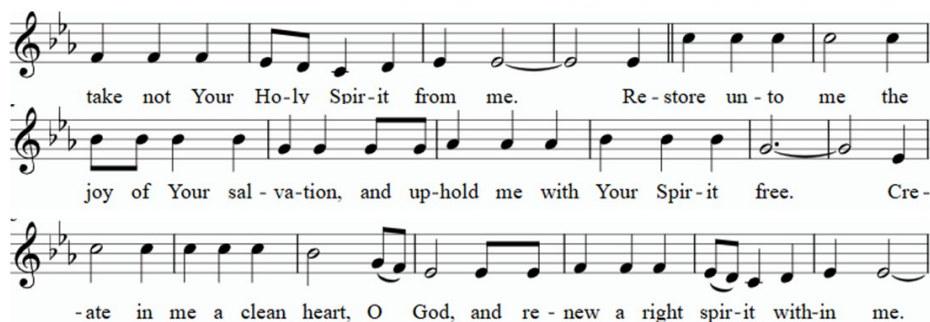
“Lookin’ for Wings”

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OFFERTORY SONG

CREATE IN ME

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Your pres - ence, and



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WE CELEBRATE OUR LORD'S SUPPER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night of His betrayal, 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.

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray...

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.

DISTRIBUTION

We believe those who receive the consecrated bread and wine receive Christ's body and blood and the forgiveness of sins. We invite all who are baptized and believe in Christ to join us in communing. Children not receiving communion may come forward for a blessing. Holy Communion will be served at the altar rail this morning. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. You may choose white grape juice or red wine. The serving station at the center of the altar rail is our hypoallergenic station with gluten-free wafers. Please return to your seats by a side aisle.

SONGS DURING DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

#423 *"Shall We Gather at the River"*

#628 *"Jerusalem, My Happy Home"*

#414 *"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen
and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"Oh When the Saints"

**Oh, when the saints, go marching in,
Oh, when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
When the saints go marching in.**

**Oh, when the Lord in glory comes,
Oh, when the Lord in glory comes,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
When the Lord in glory comes.**

**Oh, when the new world is revealed,
Oh, when the new world is revealed,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
When the new world is revealed.**

**Oh, when they gather round the throne,
Oh, when they gather round the throne,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
When they gather round the throne.**

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**OUR WORSHIP OF GOD IS ENDED
LET OUR SERVICE TO GOD BEGIN!**

TODAY WE REMEMBER MEMBERS OF OUR
FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH FAMILY
WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE PAST YEAR.

 *Reba Lockman*  *Carla Benson*  *Dale Clements*

 *Bill Lockman*  *Alicia Kay Jones Palmer*  *Judy Sahr*

 *Dick (Richard) Mitchell*  *Priscilla Rainey*

 *Buck Norton*  *Pastor Thomas Stutelberg*
(Associate Pastor FELC 1982-1987)

Patricia Martin Gilbert Hill (Martha Wentzel's Mother)

Robert Speich (Michelle Hanson's Uncle)

Ursula Noack (Heidi Ibach's Sister-in-law)

Eric Froelich (Annick Dixon's Brother)

Ronald Douglas Gilbert (Martha Wentzel's Uncle)

Lois Beers (Cathi Bean's Mother)

Stephen Krippner (Pat Christenson's Nephew)

Joan Martin Turner (Martha Wentzel's Aunt & Godmother)

Joyce C Hermanson (Jo Glissendorf's Mother)

Sandra Kanak (Cathi Bean's Cousin)

Patricia L. Griffes (Jeanne Griffes-Koepplin's Mother)



Robert Griffes (Jeanne Griffes-Koepplin's Father)
Bonnie Gibson (Diana Murphy's Aunt)
Blanche Brooks (Kim Dean's Grandmother)
Christie Hazaga (Chris & Barb Brooks' Close Friend)
Terry Harris (Elaine Harris' In-law)
Allan Shelton (Lisa Swenson's Uncle)
Jeremy Smith (Barbara Carlson's Cousin)
Mark Roland Mullinix (Lisa Mullinix's Former Husband)
Betty Jean Benjamin (Lisa Mullinix's Mother)
David Bayless (Paul Bayless' Father)
Brandon Rainey (Debbie Clements' Nephew)
Camille Ronnebaum (Kathy Katainen's Friend)
Nada Eddie (Barbara Carlson's Mother)
Elaine Swenson Scott (Vernal Swenson's Sister)
Richard Sylvester (Jean Lysfjord's Brother)
John Davis (Paul Davis' Brother; Shawn Cleverly's Friend)
Linn Watson (Jacki Potter's Mother)
Wendy Morgan (Larry Hudman's Sister)
Irma Torres (Kathy Katainen's Friend)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PENNY POWER:

November Penny Power will be used to purchase items to fill boxes for Operation Christmas Child. You kids will be able to see just how many boxes you are able to send to boys and girls for a special Christmas.

This year the Advent Offerings will be given to the Idaho Falls Rescue Mission. They work to meet the needs of the hungry, homeless, and hopeless. Each program they offer is designed to meet the needs of the men, women and children who come through their doors.

A BIG THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH OUR TRUNK OR TREAT!

These fun activities are just not possible without the help of everyone who participates and donates of their time to make it fun for everyone! Candy and costumes make for a fun time! If you participated, thank you for your time!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

Supplies are being gathered this month to prepare for The Happy Stitchers packing party on Friday, November 6th at 1:00 pm for Operation Christmas Child. The supplies needed are hygiene items, though there are multiple categories for giving. For details, please contact Irena or Amelia McDaniel, and more information can be found on samaritanspurse.org

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

The annual congregational meeting will be held next Sunday, November 8th, following worship. We will be voting on new officers, council members, and the 2027 budget. Please join us; child care will be available, and a main dish will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Voting members are those confirmed members who have both:

- Communed in this congregation a minimum of 9 times during the 12 months prior to the congregational meeting (as recorded on the friendship pads), and
- Made a contribution of record to this congregation during the 12 months prior to the congregational meeting. Members under the age of 18 may use their parents' contribution to fulfill this requirement.

THE VINE & PAGES CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB

Beginning November 10th:

Looking for a wonderful opportunity to connect with other women, grow in faith, and enjoy good books? Join The Vine & Pages Christian Book Club, a new Women's Ministry gathering open to all adult women. We'll meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM at the home of Heather Catanese. Each month, we'll select a book written by a Christian author, giving everyone a month to read before we gather for discussion, fellowship, and a glass of wine. Bring a light snack to share and come ready to exchange ideas, encouragement, and recommendations for future books. For location information or to RSVP, please contact Heather by call or text at (208) 521-2565 or email mrs.catanese@gmail.com.

If interest is strong, we may start a second group that meets another evening to accommodate more participants.

Sew Much Love for Our Graduates!

Graduation is a big milestone, and the Happy Stitchers would love to send our graduating seniors into their next chapter wrapped in love! Each eligible senior is invited to receive a personalized queen-size quilt, lovingly designed and sewn by our quilting group.

Who is eligible?

You must be graduating from high school in **2027**, and you, your parent, guardian, or grandparent must be a **voting member of FELC**.

Ready to get stitched into the plans?

- **November–December 2026:** Submit your name to the office administrator.
- **January 1, 2027:** The Happy Stitchers will mail you a letter requesting your favorite colors and Bible verse.
- **February 1, 2027:** Return your completed letter by this date. Because each quilt takes time to create, **requests cannot be accepted after February 1.**

The quilts will be presented during worship on **the first Sunday of May 2027**. We look forward to stitching together a gift of faith, comfort, and love for your journey ahead!



HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a purple prayer request card and drop it in the offering plate or you can email office@firstlc.com. All requests remain confidential - only with permission are individual names placed on the written prayer list below.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL, RECOVERING, OR GOING THROUGH A DIFFICULT TIME:

Donna Amundson; Tom Amundson; Charlotte Benson; Dean Benson; Bill Boyd; Shayla Berry; Kevin Call; Jeannie Campbell; Bailey Chamberlain; Carol Clark; Tracy Coburn; Devyn, Corden & Elias Cox; Wendy Cudmore; Dayna Dabauras; Janet Dean; Laura Dean; Millie Dean; Joan Douglas; Josephine Fife; Sharon Gilbert; Jo & Al Glissendorf; Diane Hackman; Steve Hammond; Grayson Hansen; Josie Holtz; Charles Hunt; Ann Hurley; Lexi Jensen; Vickie John; Mary Krippner; Pat Lance; Austin Leger; Allan Magnuson; Mike Martin; Adara McClure; Bob McGee; Vicky Mickelson; Cal Miller; Wendy Morgan; Bob Neff; Josh Neis; Don Newman; Heidi Parker; Mary Pilkington; Mark Pischer; Patricia Richardson; Julie Sagnimeni; Laura Schoonmaker; Betty Smith; Jason & Kelly Smith; Joyce Stultz; Julie Sundberg; Kathy Tauscher; Deborah Vavra; Chris Weaver; Joyce White; Daniel & Sarah Young

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHIES TO:

- ◆ Family and friends of Linn Watson, Jacki Potter's mother, who passed away October 15th.
- ◆ Family and friends of Wendy Morgan, Larry Hudman's sister, upon her passing on October 15th.
- ◆ Family and friends of John Davis, Paul Davis's brother, who passed October 18th.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	
TODAY ALL SAINT'S DAY SUNDAY 11/1/2026	
9:00 am	Sunday School - Education Wing
9:00 am	Adult Forum - Fellowship Hall
9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
10:15 am	Sunday Worship - Sanctuary
11:30 am	Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	King's Men Rehearsal - Sanctuary
12:00 pm	ERT and Shofar Meeting - Library
MONDAY 11/2/2026	
10:00 am	Staff Meeting - Library
TUESDAY 11/3/2026	
9:00 am	Happy Stitchers - Fellowship Hall
9:00 am	Preschool
12:00 pm	Gathering in Grace Ladies' Bible Study - Library
1:00 pm	Preschool
6:00 pm	Girl Scout Troop #930 - Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal - Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY 11/4/2026	
9:00 am	Preschool
1:00 pm	Preschool
2:00 pm	Ladies' Bible Study - Library
5:00 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal - Sanctuary
THURSDAY 11/5/2026	
9:00 am	Preschool
9:00 am	Men's Bible Study
10:00 am	Kaffeeklatsch - Library
1:00 pm	Preschool
7:00 pm	Stephen Ministry Team Meeting - Library
FRIDAY 11/6/2026	
10am-4pm	Friends in Stitches - Fellowship Hall
SATURDAY 11/7/2026	
SUNDAY 11/8/2026	
9:00 am	Sunday School - Education Wing
9:00 am	Adult Forum - Fellowship Hall
9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
10:15 am	Sunday Worship - Sanctuary
11:45 am	Congregational Meeting

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Greeters: **Diana & Lewis Murphy**

Liturgist: **Sheryl Schaffer**

Communion Assistants: **Natalie Meyer, Cheryl Swenson**

Deb Nowatzki, Bev Thomas, Kim Bermensolo

Usher Coordinator: **Jim Sahr**

Ushers: **Lisa Swenson, Ryan Dixon**

Counters: **Lisa Swenson, Paul Bayless**

Altar Guild: **Debra Holst, Diana Wagner**

Collection Specialist: **Andrew Swenson**

Streaming Technician: **Paul Bayless**

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Bookkeeper: Greg Stultz..... e-mail: bookkeeper@firstlc.com

Music Director: Michelle Hanson..... e-mail: musicdirector@firstlc.com

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Praise Band Director: Steve Galbraith.....

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Report of First Evangelical Lutheran Church

Year to date Income thru September \$291,512- Year to date Expenses thru September \$289,985

Year to date net Cash Flow thru September \$1527

Last Week's in Worship Attendance: 113, Live Stream: 51