ORDER FOR WORSHIP



All Saints Sunday

November 11, 2021

On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honours our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of the feast to come.

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

"Pachelbel Canon", recorded by Kris and Emily Savage in 2020

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We wish to acknowledge this land on which St. Philip's Lutheran Church is located. For thousands of years, it has been the traditional land of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Haudenosaunee, and the Wendat peoples. We are grateful to have the opportunity to meet, worship, and serve on this land.

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

A gift of a new day, **Unlived, untried, ready to be opened.**

A new day with surprising miracles; **With love to be given**,

Kindness to be shared **And peace to be enjoyed.**

A gift of a new day, **God's gift to us.**

Let us receive it with joy and live it in expectation. Amen.

GATHERING SONG "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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 Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

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

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:9-17

9After 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. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 11And 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, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 14I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that 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. ¹⁵For 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. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for 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."

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 24

¹The earth is the LORD's and all [|] that is in it, the world and those who | dwell therein. ²For the LORD has founded it up-¹ on the seas and established it up- | on the rivers. R ³Who may ascend the mountain ¹ of the LORD, and who may stand in God's | holy place? ⁴Those of innocent hands and puri-¹ ty of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by | what is false. ⁵They shall receive blessing ¹ from the LORD and righteousness from the God of 1 their salvation. ⁶Such is the generation of those who seek ¹ you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O | God of Jacob. R ⁷Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- ¹ lasting doors, that the King of glory 1 may come in. ⁸Who is this ¹ King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, might- ' y in battle! 9Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- 1 lasting doors, that the King of glory 1 may come in.

¹⁰Who is this [|] King of glory?

Truly, the LORD of hosts is the 1 King of glory. R

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

Matthew 5: 1 – 12

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then 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 righteousness' sake, 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 ¹²Rejoice 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 the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Blest Are They"

ELW 728 vs. 1, 2, + new

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Please see insert

SONG

"Amazing Grace"

(arr. Charles Maggs)

CREED

P: Together we affirm our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition ends: Hear us, O God. Response: **Your mercy is great.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

SHARING OF PEACE

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.

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.

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.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG

"Thee We Adore" (Adore Te Devote arr. Margaret R. Tucker)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSING

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"For All The Saints"

ELW 422 vs. 1, 5, 6

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL PLAQUES

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SERVING TODAY

The Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek Chris Ritcey-Conrad Angelika Quinn Marcia Powers-Dunlop Joyful Noise Bell Choir Karen Adolph Dave Pascoe

Pastor Music Director Reader Prayers Additional Music Livestream Usher Audio Visual

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS

Gus Berndt, Kevin Cartwright, Rodney Erlandson, Al Jacksteit, Matt Kirkpatrick, Mona Kibsey, Mark Kieswetter, Fran Moore, Pat Penney, Julie Potocny, Helen Scollnik, the family of Elga Smidt as we mourn Elga's death on October 31st and Sabine George and the Voorpostel family as they mourn the death of Sabine's mother.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of Anne Binhammer and Kristine Savage by their family.

PASS THE OFFERING PLATE PLEASE

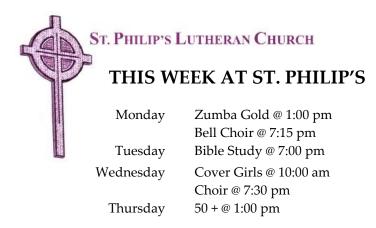
Thanks for giving your offering regularly. Our ministries need your support. Place your offering on the plate when you enter or leave today. Or find details for other options at <u>stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/</u>.

SAFELY SINGING

Singing is good for our souls – and for spreading germs, unfortunately. Please ensure that your mask is securely on and join in the singing again.

COMMUNION

Keep 6 feet apart with your mask on. Receive the bread and then help yourself to an individual cup of wine. Remove your mask and have the wine and bread. Put the empty cup in the containers provided. Replace your mask.



OUR VISION

Ereed by the grace of Christ, we seek to connect with God, neighbour and self.

VISION STATEMENT:

We are a diverse and inclusive Lutheran faith community freed by the grace of Christ to find God and self as we connect with our neighbours. We **practise hospitality** of open hearts and open arms. We **unite with partners** to make a difference in our neighbourhood. We **nurture** the community of Christ.

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