

St. Luke Lutheran Church

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The Rev. Dr. Robert McKee

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
All Saints Sunday

Setting IV
November 5, 2017

“IT’S GOING TO BE OKAY”

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. ASK ANY USHER.

Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!

God has greatly blessed us with your presence here today. Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, bright yellow forms are located on the back of the pews. They are collected during Offering in this morning’s worship. You will also find pew pads in each pew, as it is passed to you during the service, we ask that all visitors & members sign in.

Name tags are available in the back of the church. Please wear your name tag to assist those of us with failing memories to remember your name!

SERVING US THIS MORNING

Ministers: All of the Members of this Congregation!

The Rev. Dr. Robert McKee – Pastor

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Greeter(s) - Front Door: Anna Buskirk, Amy McKee & Carol Schweizer

Greeter(s) - Side Door: Angela Kendall

Ushers: John Krogman & John Dhanaraj

Altar Guild: Laura Dhanaraj & Wendy Callahan

Background Worship: Margaret Steen & Kathleen Peters

Contemporary Worship Leader: Joe Howard

Worship Team: Joe Howard, Seth Henderson, Paul Mitchell, Claudia Zichterman, Ron Zichterman, and Deb Mandac.

Director of Music: Claudia Zichterman

Organist: Claudia Zichterman

Choir Director: Chris Frye

Bell Choir Director: Wil Mandac

Sound-Computer Tech: Brad Sime & Francis Prabhu

Altar flowers given today by St. Luke Members, in awe of God's Blessings.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Claudia Zichterman

CALL TO WORSHIP: *"THE ONLY NAME (YOURS WILL BE)"*

WELCOME

Pastor Bob McKee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG:

"FOR ALL THE SAINTS"
(vs. 1, 2, 3, 6 & 7)

ELW #422
(Red Hymnal)

INVOCATION & KYRIE (Please Stand)

(music found on page 147)

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

[C] And also with you.

[A] *In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

[C] Lord, have mercy.

[A] *For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*

[C] Lord, have mercy.

[A] *For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*

[C] Lord, have mercy.

[A] *For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*

[C] Lord, have mercy.

[A] *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*

[C] Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE "The Feast of Victory"

(music may be found on page 149)

[A] *This is the feast of victory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.*

[C] Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[P] Let us pray...

[C] Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME WITH ERIN CASSIDY

SONG: "WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN/SWING LOW"

SHARING OF THE PEACE

[P] The peace of the Lord be with you always.

[C] And also with you. (Share your peace, with one another, and then please be seated.)

GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

1st Reading – Revelation 7:9-17

Read by Sally Hedman

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading provides a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer responds to the faithful with the assurance of God's protection and a vision of eventual victory.

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. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

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

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I 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.

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.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; 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."

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

Led by Sally Hedman

[W] *I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.*

[M] I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.

[W] *Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.*

[M] I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.

[W] *Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.*

[M] I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.

[W] *The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.*

[M] Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

[W] *Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.*

[M] The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.

[C] **O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.**

2nd Reading – 1 John 3:1-3**Read by Danae Moreno**

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

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. 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. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

[P] Lift up your heart and receive the Holy Gospel...

[C] **Glory to you, O Lord.** (spoken)

Gospel – Matthew 5:1-12**Read by Pastor Bob McKee**

In the beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

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

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

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

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

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

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

[P] This is the Gospel of our Lord.

[C] **Praise to you, O Christ.** (spoken)

MESSAGE:**"IT'S GOING TO BE OKAY"****Pastor Bob McKee****SERMON HYMN:****"THE RIVER"**

APOSTLES' CREED

**[C] I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.
(*universal)**

GATHERING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

(All members and guests, please sign in on the form in the pew pads when it is passed to you. Prayer requests are collected when plates are brought forward.)

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

[A] Let us pray...

[C] Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[A] Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people According to their needs.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF LENORE FORFANG, PATRICIA KENDALL, PEGGY BACON-MCDANIEL, MARIA GONZALEZ, AND MARY STAHLKE.

I. GOD FORGIVES HIS PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(Please stand)*

[P] Blessed be the, holy Trinity **†**, one God, who calls us into an everlasting hope, who guides us to springs of the water of life, who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

[C] Amen.

[P] One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

[P] O God, our merciful redeemer,
[C] **we confess the ways we live only for ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our ears from voices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

[P] In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for † his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.
[C] **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.**

"LAMB OF GOD"

(music found pg. 154)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - THE EUCHARIST (be seated)

Our Lord Jesus is the host of his table. He invites all to come to him. Those who are baptized and believe in our Lord's presence "...in, with, and under the bread and wine..." are invited to commune by intinction. If you are not communing, please receive a blessing of the day. We come to his table via the center aisle, returning to our seats via the side aisles. If you are unable to come forward but wish the gifts Christ has for you, please notify an usher, and the servers will come to you.

WE WELCOME TRINITY JOHN AND HER FAMILY TO COMMUNE FIRST. TRINITY IS CELEBRATING HER FIRST COMMUNION TODAY!

COMMUNION SONG: "IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL"

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

[P] The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
[C] **Amen.**

(music is located in red hymnal – service music hymn #207)

[C] Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev'ryone what God has done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with SHOUTS of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

SENDING SONG:

“O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST”

**ELW #632
(Red Hymnal)**

BENEDICTION

(Forgiven and fed, we are empowered to return to the world in service. Turn your attention to the receding cross of Christ, as he leads us back to the world with his final “good word” God’s Benediction.)

THE DISMISSAL

[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

[C] (with the joy of Christ) **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

POSTLUDE

Claudia Zichterman

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