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"as you excel in all things... may you also excel in generosity." 2 COR. 8:7
generous life in Christ

All Saints
Solomon's Wisdom
October 31/November 1, 2026

LIGHTING CANDLES OF REMEMBERANCE

As we gather, you are welcome to light candles in memory of those who have died, remembering the light they brought to our lives.

PRELUDE **"When the Saint's Go Marching In" - arr. Lloyd Larson** Joyful Ringers

WELCOME

HYMN **"For All The Saints"** ELW #422 vs 1-3

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

O God, we remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you on Earth, who now rest from their labors, especially Steve Hitzemann, Dave Luedtke, Michael Acklin, Gene Deisz, Tom Straiker, Steve DeLong, John Weiss, Doug Summers, *(individual names may be spoken)* and those we carry in our hearts. Keep us in union with all your saints, and bring us with them to the joyous feast of heaven through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

As we remember these people, strengthen us to follow Christ through this world until we are carried in to the harvest of eternal life, where suffering and death will be no more. Hear our prayer in the name of the good and gracious shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Holy God, We honor these, our ancestors in faith and members of our family. We, too, seek to do your will: **guide us**. We, too, desire to be your servants: **strengthen us**. We, too, long to know you clearly: **teach us.** And in time, bring us to our eternal home of peace and joy. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lord God, **You have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses. Grant that we, encouraged by the example of your servants, may persevere in the course that is set before us and, at the last, share in your eternal joy with all the saints in light, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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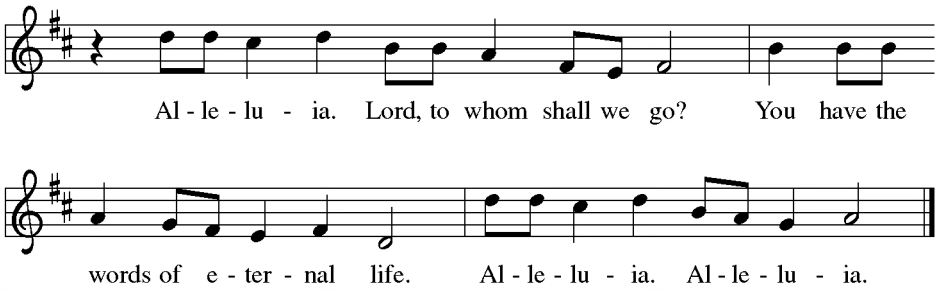


CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Trudy Stoffel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

READING: Matthew 6:9-10 The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

PREACHING TEXT: 1 Kings 3:4-28 Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Pastor Amber Kalina

SPECIAL MUSIC **"We Gather Together" arr. Lloyd Larson** Joyful Ringers

OFFERING

Through your donations we are able to support the ministries of GLC including youth group activities, like carving pumpkins. Ten Percent of donations go beyond our walls. There are many ways you can give--place your offering in the plate at the back, put a check in the mail, text: 630-528-2407 with a dollar amount or give ***online*** .

OFFERING PRAYER

Your church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will be a place of forgiveness and grace, if I forgive and receive forgiveness. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, here and online, if I invite and bring them. It will be a church where people grow in faith and serve you, if I am open to such growth and service. Therefore, with your help Lord, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things you want your church to be. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

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, and 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 After each petition: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

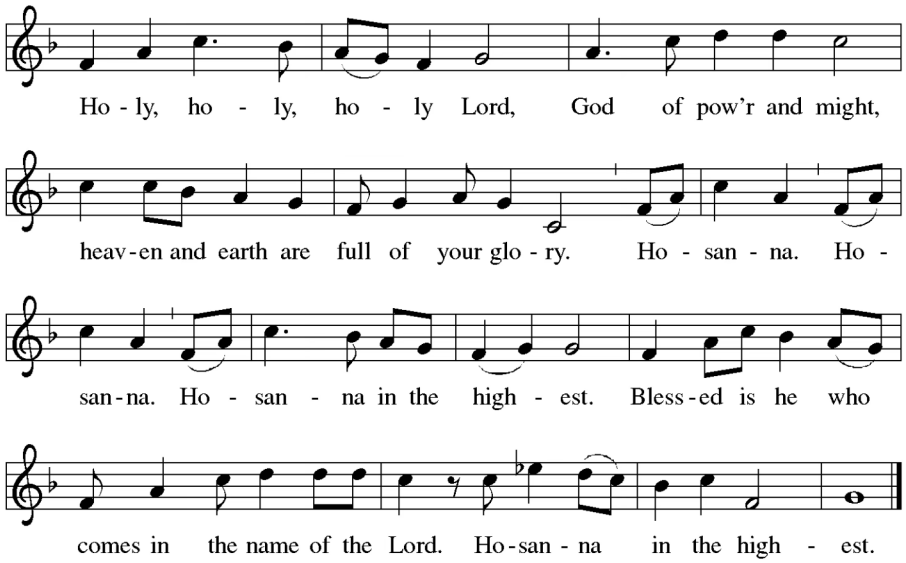
PEACE

THE 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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW setting 3



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

COMMUNION

We celebrate an open table: if you commune in another community, you are also welcome at this table. We commune by intinction: you receive bread in your hands and dip it in the wine in the silver chalices or grape juice in the white chalices. Gluten free hosts are also available.

LAMB OF GOD I COMMUNION HYMN *see insert*

PRAYER I ANNOUNCEMENTS I BENEDICTION

HYMN **"For All the Saints"** ELW #422 vs 4-7

4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE ***God the Almighty* - Gary Davidson** Deborah Ayotte

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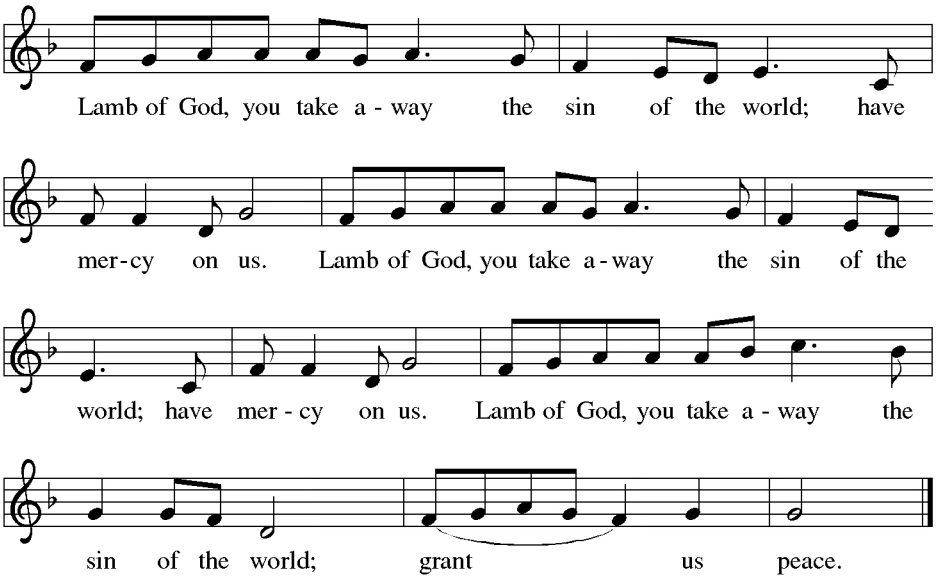

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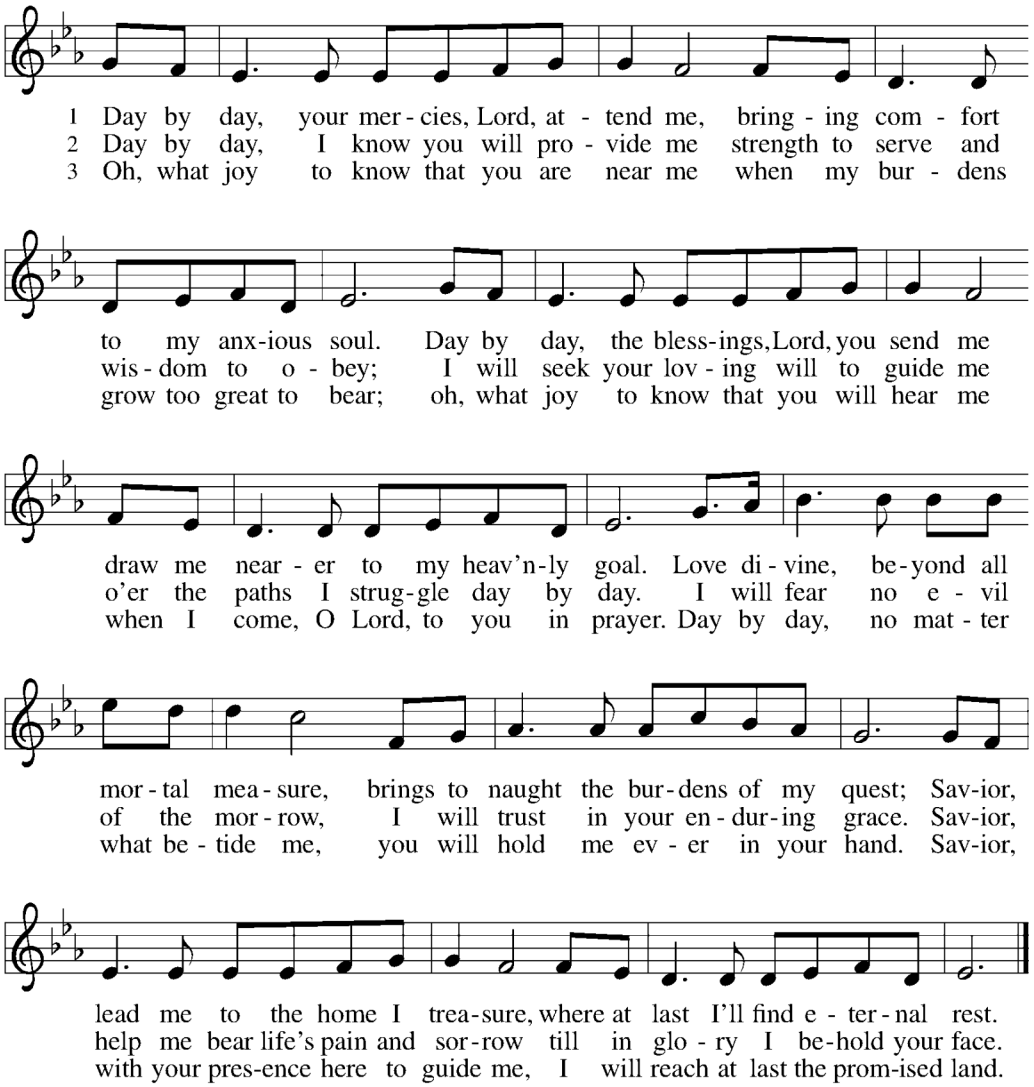
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