ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

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PRELUDE
RINGING OF THE BELL
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITANY FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS (JOHN 11:25-27)

P: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"
C: "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who has come into the world."

HYMN #414 "HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE YOUR NAME"

P: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses both here on earth and in the heavens. Praise the Lord for their faithfulness! Praise the Lord for their lives! Praise the Lord, whose cross has turned sinners into saints!
C: Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Behold the Lamb, Jesus Christ, whose blood has washed our stained robes to brilliant white. Alleluia!

HYMN #422: "FOR ALL THE SAINTS" (V1)

♫ 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!

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.

P: When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried, therefore, with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life.

C: For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

P: When we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were born anew to a living hope.

C: By water and the Word we were made children of God. In baptism, God forgives us all our sins and unites us to the church, which is the community of saints on earth.

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN #422: "FOR ALL THE SAINTS" (v3)

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

L: These saints, who have joined the Church Triumphant, are remembered as the bell tolls the joy of Jesus' triumph over death:

† Don Ager † Margaret "Meg" Ager † Joseph Birdwell

† Tracy Brickmeyer † Roger Bousselot

† Steven Bunce † Carol Christensen

† Mary Ann Christensen † Randy Claeys † Edward DeLau

† LaVoy Ebnet † Mary Ebnet † Sandra Engholm

† Karen Eschbach † Betty Forret † Twila Gerard

† Arlene Green † Charles Green † Mary Green

† Chuck Gregweire † Gary Hinz † Michael Hughes

† Chuck Hunter † Christie Irving † Jade Jensen

† Vonda Maitlen † Dave Martin † Robert Maxwell

† Marcia McCoy† Charlene Myer † Donnie Osborne

† Robert Pitt † Donna Ploog † Bim Prichard

† Adrian Richter † Mary Kay Rossmiller

† Douglas "Geno" Samuels † Diana Schau † Kevin Schreiber

† Doug Schultz † George "Bus" Seastrand † Emily Streets

† Margarett Travaille † Betty Tubergen

† Don Woolstenhulme

P: When we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death so that as he was raised from the dead, we too might live a new life.

C: For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly, be united with him in a resurrection like his. Amen.

P: Let us pray.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising us up to new life. Bless all saints, living and dead, as we seek to live in the light of your grace, and bring us one day to the full joy of your salvation in Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

P: The Lamb is our Shepherd,

C: who leads us to springs of the water of life.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Gracious Lord,

C: through water and the Spirit, you have made us your own. As you have brought us to new life, daily increase in us the gifts of your grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence. Grant us your grace so that we can follow in faith where you have led the way, so that at length we may fall asleep peacefully in you and wake into your likeness; to you, the author and giver of all life, be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

P: When we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were born anew to a living hope. We await the day when our Lord will return, when heaven will come down to earth and there will be no more tears. In the new Jerusalem, there will be no need of sun or moon,

C: for the glory of God will be its light.

P: Before the Lamb is a multitude from every nation,

C: and they worship God day and night.

P: Surely, he is coming soon.

C: Amen, come, Lord Jesus.

HYMN #422: "FOR ALL THE SAINTS" (V6)

♫ 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!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. *(concluding…*now and forever.)

C: Amen

READINGS

REVELATION 7:9-17 | PSALM 34:1-10, 22 | 1 JOHN 3:1-3

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION [*PAGE 205*]

♫ Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.
Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.
Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring. ♫

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

YOUTH SERMON — REV. LEAH HOLLOWAY-NILSEN

SERMON – REV. LEAH HOLLOWAY-NILSEN

HYMN #654 "THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION"

CONFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess 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

P: United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

(A brief silence)

(*Each petition ends:* P: God, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**)

P: Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

C: Amen.

PEACE ***(PAGE 206)***
P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.
(Greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER
P: Let us pray. *(concluding…*our Savior and Lord.)
C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING ***(PAGE 206)***
P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE [*PAGE 207*]
P: It is indeed right…and join their unending hymn:
C: ♫ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER ***(PAGE 208)***

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.

HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED TODAY

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.
Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available.

♫ O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

HYMN #423 "SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER"

POST COMMUNION BLESSING
P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN (HYMN #884)
♫ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER
P: Let us pray. *(concluding…*Jesus Christ our Lord.)
C: Amen.

BLESSING
P: The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.
C: Amen.

HYMN #638 "BLESSED ASSURANCE"

DISMISSAL
P: Go in peace. Encourage one another.
C**: Thanks be to God.**

RINGING OF THE BELL

POSTLUDE

Those to keep in prayer: Lee Kline, Annie Droll, Duane Petersen, Mike Miller, Emerson Marsh, Mallory Bousselot, Cathy Goddard; the homebound: Delores Lahann, Myrna Kay Peterson, and Vera St. John; and those serving in the military, Benjamin Baur.

Pastor: Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen
Organist: Jason Bousselot or Linda Whitman
Acolyte: Rachel Burke
Lector: Dan Burke; **Next Week:** Marcia Edens
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<u>This Week At A Glance</u>
November 1, 2026

Wednesday,
November 4th 6:00 pm Confirmation at Faith
7:00 pm Bible Jam at Faith

Thursday,
November 5th Pastor Leah out of the office

Sunday,
November 8th 8:00 am Worship at Our Savior's
9:25 am Sunday School at Faith
10:30 am Worship at Faith



<u>Fall Worship Schedule</u>
8:00 am Worship at Our Savior's
9:25 am Sunday School at Faith
10:30 am Worship at Faith

Announcements

Pastor Leah out of the office

Pastor Leah will be out of the office on Thursday, November 5th. Pastor Leah will be attending the Annual Synod Boundaries Training.

The Christian Outreach Committee

The Christian Outreach Committee is collecting paper products and canned goods during the month of November. The items will be given to the Carroll Assistance Center in Wheatland. Donated goods can be placed at the back of each church.

Bishop Amy Current Sunday Gathering

Please join Bishop Amy Current on Sunday, November 1, for our *"Peace Be With You"* Sunday Gathering at St. John Lutheran Church in Ely.

Sunday, November 1, 2026, from 2:00–4:00 PM
St. John Lutheran Church, Ely
1420 Walker St., Ely, IA 52227

Centered on Jesus' words, "Peace be with you," the afternoon will include brief worship, presentation, conversation, and a "peace" of pie. We'll explore how the synod shares God's peace through our congregations, ministries, partners, and grants, and how mission support makes this work possible.

All are welcome! People can come on their own, bring a friend, or attend with others from their congregation. No RSVP is required.
If you can't make this one, consider joining us at:
Sunday, November 8th – Resurrection Lutheran Church in Ankeny
914 NW Ash Dr, Ankeny, IA 50023
Sunday, November 15th – First Lutheran Church in Centerville
410 E Sheridan Ave, Centerville, IA 52544
Sunday, November 22nd – Calvary Lutheran Church in Sabula
716 Pearl St, Sabula, IA 52070

Confirmation and Bible Jam

Confirmation classes are at Faith on Wednesday's at 6:00 pm and Bible Jam is at 7:00 pm at Faith. All 7th-12th graders are invited to Faith for food, fellowship and fun following confirmation classes.

Are you a Thrivent Member?

Would you like to help support sending our youth to the NEXT Youth Gathering? Thrivent makes this easy, via your Thrivent Choice Dollars – because it costs you nothing! Please consider contacting your Thrivent Rep or log into your account online, and request your Thrivent Choice Dollars are sent to either **FAITH LUTHERAN or OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.** Then confirm support intent with Heather Grau. Thank you and we appreciate your support!!

2027 ELCA Youth Gathering Stock Holder Fundraiser

Show your support to our youth and be a part of 2027 Youth Gathering by becoming a Youth Gathering Stockholder!

What is a Youth Gathering Stockholder?

* Stockholders are Members who purchase shares to support youth attending the 2027 Youth Gathering in Minneapolis.

Stockholders will receive:

* Mail from the Youth about the Youth Gathering
* Exclusive invitation to the "Dine & Share" event, where the youth will showcase their experiences from the Youth Gathering.

How do I become a Youth Gathering Stockholder?

* Fill out a 'Shares Request' form and place it in the Youth Gathering bag at either church.
* Shares cost $50.00 each
* You will be contacted by Heather Grau about payments, make checks payable to God Squad, Memo Youth Gathering 2027.

Questions? Contact CLP Youth Leader,
Heather Grau at 563-424-0507.

Sunday School

Staff is already in place, but the Education Committee is looking for volunteers to substitute for the teachers and music leader when they are absent. The lessons will be prepared for you. Please contact Cindy Burke or Pastor Leah if you would be willing to help.

Prayers of Intercession

Other petitions for the prayers of intercession are welcome! If you have a petition, you would like included during the prayers, please reach out to Pastor Leah and Nicole to have it included.

Seeking new Education Committee Members

Two volunteers are needed to serve on the Education Committee – one from Our Savior's and one from Faith. One does not need to teach Sunday School to participate.

All Saints Day

All Saints Day, also known as All Hallows Day, All Hallows Feast, the Holiday of All Saints, Hallowmas, and the Feast of All Saints, is a Christian solemnity observed in honor of all the church's saints, whether they are well-known or obscure.

Feasts honoring all Christian martyrs have been observed since the fourth century on various dates close to Easter and Pentecost. Some churches in the British Isles started celebrating All Saints Day on November 1 in the ninth century. In the ninth century, Pope Gregory IV expanded this to the entire Catholic church. It is still observed on November 1st by the Roman Catholic Church as well as numerous Protestant denominations, including the Methodist, Lutheran, and Anglican traditions. It is observed on the first Sunday following Pentecost by the Eastern Orthodox Church and its affiliated Eastern Catholic and Eastern Lutheran churches. All Saints Day is observed by the Church of the East, the Syro-Malabar Church, and the Chaldean Catholic Church, the latter of which is in communion with Rome. The Coptic Orthodox calendar places All Saints Day on Nayrouz, which is observed on September 11th. The Coptic new year and its first month, Thout, begin on this day.

WHAT IS ALL SAINTS DAY?

All Saints Day is a religious holiday celebrated all around the world on November 1st. It commemorates the martyrs – specifically, Christian saints who died for their faith in the 3rd and 4th centuries. Most of the traditions surrounding the holiday focus on celebrating the deceased saints, and it is often used to commemorate the deceased relatives of the celebrant. It is also a day to remember the deceased members of one's church. All Saints Day is a day of celebration and remembrance, and it is a great opportunity to learn more about the history and definition of saints.

ALL SAINTS DAY: WHY DO WE CELEBRATE IT?

Why do we observe All Saints Day today in light of this? In the end, this feast (together with All Souls Day) is rooted in the notion that those who are alive are related to those who are in heaven.

In Christianity, it’s necessary to remember the deceased, especially those who had lives of devotion.

On All Saints Day, we honor the saints and give them praise for their dedication and service. Not all well-known saints have their own unique days of remembering, despite the fact that many do. This is a day to give thanks to both well-known saints and less well-known ones. Saints Day is all about it.

All saints: Once more, Easter is a chance to honor saints who may not already have a dedicated feast day (like St. Patrick). It’s crucial to acknowledge the saints steadfast adherence to their religion, even though they are only known to God.

Salvation: Though there is a focus on the saints themselves, this is also a time to recognize the role they play in salvation. In Christianity, anyone can bring others to God, and this is something to celebrate.

Togetherness: Lastly, All Saints Day is a moment to come together as Christians. This is a time for togetherness, family, and remembrance. There are many community and family events, and this holiday has a special place in many lives.

All Saints Day is a chance for Christians to reflect on the value of charity and forgiveness in their lives as well as on the importance of being good examples towards others by practicing kindness, love, and respect in everyday life.

In many Lutheran churches, All Saints Day is celebrated the Sunday after Reformation is celebrated (the date for Reformation is 31 October, so Reformation Sunday is celebrated on or before 31 October). In most congregations, the festival is marked as an occasion to remember the dead. The names of those who have died from the congregation within the last year are read during worship and a bell is tolled, a chime is played or a candle is lit for each name read. While the dead are solemnly remembered during worship on All Saints Sunday, the festival is ultimately a celebration of **Christ's victory over death**.