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All Saints Day / Consecration Sunday November 1, 2026

* Stand as you are able

GATHERING

INVOCATION, CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Holy God, **we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation.**

We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy.

Amen.

Inherit the riches of God's grace. ✙ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN*

"Come Now is the Time To Worship"

Come, now is the time to worship

Come, now is the time to give your heart

Come, just as you are to worship

Come, just as you are before your God

Come

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God

One day ev'ry knee will bow

Still the greatest treasure remains for those

Who gladly choose you now

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Come, now is the time to give your heart

Come, just as you are to worship

Come, just as you are before your God

Come

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God

One day ev'ry knee will bow

Still the greatest treasure remains for those,

Who gladly choose you now

Willingly we choose to surrender our lives

Willingly our knees will bow

With all our hearts, oh, mind and strength

We gladly choose you now

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* (ELW pg. 203)

¹Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.

We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

²Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

³Have mercy on us, Lord, make sin and shame depart.

Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

Hymn of Praise*- ELW pg. 204

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:

we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;

on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;

Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:

Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.

For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

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

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Revelation 7:9-17

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

⁹ 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."

P: The Word of the Lord:

C: Thanks be to God

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

² **I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

⁴ **I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.**

⁵ Look upon the LORD and be radiant and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶ **I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.**

⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

⁸ **Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**

⁹ Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰ **The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

²² O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

1 John 3:1-3

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.

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.

L: The word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation*(pg. 205 in your hymnal)**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.**

P: THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 5:1-12

C: Glory to you O Lord.

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.

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.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord: C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“A Holy Life”

Hymn of the Day *

ELW #798 “Will You Come and Follow Me”

The Nicene Creed * (Printed inside the back cover of the hymnal.)

Welcome to our WTKM radio and online worshipers, Good News and Prayer Petitions

Consecration of our Commitments for 2027 –

ELW #685 “Take My Life, That I May Be”

(You maybe bring your commitments to the altar during the hymn)

Prayers of the Church

Response P: Hear us, O God. C: **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing the Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always. C: **And also with you.**

(you are encouraged to turn to one another and share the peace of the Lord.)

Introduction to Big Brothers/Big Sisters by Caitlin

Offering Hymn *

ELW # 857 “Lord I Lift Your Name On High”

Offering Prayer *

Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.

Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

MEAL

Thanksgiving *

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.**

The Preface *

P: Lord, it is indeed right and our joy that at all times and in all places we give thanks and praise to you. And so with the angels and archangels and with the church on earth and in heaven, we give glory to you O God, through Jesus Christ, as we praise your name and join in the unending hymn:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest** (pg. 144 ELW)

The Words of Institution*

The Lord's Prayer *

Invitation to Communion

P: In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

Hymn

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Communion Hymn

ELW # 481 "Come To The Table"

SENDING

Communion Blessing *

Prayer After Communion *

**Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly.**

Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing*

Now may the God of Hope, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, grant you strength and joy in all circumstances. **Amen**

Sending Hymn *

ELW #550 "On What Has Now Been Sown"

Dismissal *

P: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today's Lector is Scott Lopas, and our usher are Bruce and Laurie Horst .
- Next week's Lector is Michelle Burton and our ushers is Donna Lee.
- Pastor will be **in the office on Thursday November 5th** from 9:00am - 12:00pm. Appointments are appreciated, but not necessary. If you wish to meet with Pastor at other times, please contact him directly. Looking ahead, he will be in the office **November 12th** from **9am-12pm**.
- Pastor will be holding "Conversations and Prayer" on **Thursday, November 5th at 1:30pm** at Washington Heights.
- Our fish fry Group is going to the Red Moon on the corner of P and Highway 60 on **Friday, November 6th** at noon!.
- Our Women's ministry will be meeting on **Monday, November 9th**, at 12pm in the Gathering Room.
- The next Church Council meeting will meet **Monday November 9th**, at 4pm.
- On **Saturday November 14** at 3pm, we will be walking the sidewalks near our church during the Christmas parade, handing out "Helping Hands" flyers with gloves and goodies for children. Join Pastor Steve on this outreach to our community!
- Please note the **office will be closed November 24th- 27th**.

Ministry Partners

- Special Giving for October is **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Washington County**
- Community Lunch will be served on **Saturday, November 28th**, 11:30am, at First United Methodist Church. Fellowship prior to lunch.

**PLEASE JOIN US AFTER TODAY'S SERVICE FOR COFFEE AND SNACKS
IN THE GATHERING ROOM**