

# **On Sunday November 24th**

the Altar Guild will be decorating the church for Christmas. They are asking members to volunteer their time with this enormous task!

Please come at 3p.m. and lend a helping hand!

→Your Time & Talents will be

GREATLY APPREICATED!

# Operation Merry Christmas will be on Saturday December 7th.

This ULCW event that United has been happening many years, and our members are so pleased that we remember them during the Christmas Season.

We are asking United Lutheran members to donate Christmas Cookies, volunteer to pack cookies and/or deliver cookies to our members that are in care centers and are homebound.

There is a "cookie" sign-up sheet on the table by the bulletin board, so please prayerfully consider helping with this very important project.



# **Sunday, November 3rd, 2024** United Lutheran Church, Elbow Lake, MN



All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new creation.

PRELUDE WELCOME

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. C: **Amen.** 

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,
we confess that sin has taken hold of us
and we are complicit in its power.
We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.
Unbind us and set us free.
Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,
that we may live just and generous lives
for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors,
following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are + forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.** 

OPENING HYMN: For All the Saints #422 vss. 1, 2, 3, 6

#### GREETING

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.

#### OPENING PRAYER:

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.

#### WORD

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

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia! Lord and Savior P.205

GOSPEL: John 11:32-44 Reader: Michelle Swenson

L: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 11th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord,

# Please Pray for...



- + Those who struggle with cancer and the families and friends who walk alongside of them: Keith Mickelson, Jeff Drier, Judy Fosberg, Ron Brown, Ron and Mike Volz-brothers of Julie and others known to you...
- + For continued healing and strength for those dealing with long term medical issues: Roger Mickelson, Rolf Ylvisaker, Fred Hahn, Dale Mickelson, Lyle Huseth, Garlyn Giffy, Charlene Nelson, Jean Haraldson, Nick Deering, Elaine Bordson, Connie Warde, Lyle Krusemark and others known to you...
- + We pray for those who grieve especially for the families of Orvin Amundson, Mark Paulson, Bill Nelson, Joyce & Lew Nokleby, Craig Haraldson, Marion Mobraaten, Sam Coleman, Linda Folken, Barb Berg, Julie Nelson, Larry Stephens and others known to you...

# Thanksgiving Community Meal

Wednesday, November 20th From 5p.m. - 6:30p.m.

Free Will Offering will be given United MOPS, WCCA Fuel Assistance and the Grant County Food Shelf

# **Menu: Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner**

with potatoes, stuffing, gravy, cranberries, vegetables, desserts, coffee, lemonade and water.

- → Please sign-up to donate mashed potatoes, stuffing, cranberries, vegetables, gravy and desserts
  - → Sign-up sheet is by the large bulletin board.





# **Assisting Ministers**

Pastor: Jean Ohman

Music & Worship Coordinator: Theron Jeppesen SAM: Natalie Hanson Deacon: Dennis Helseth

Offering & Attendance for October 27th
Attendance: 198 Dedicated: \$110.00, On-Line: \$521.04
General Offering: \$1,397.00

# Weekly Calendar for November 3rd - November 10th

Sunday, November 3rd

**♣** All Saints Sunday

9a.m. - Worship with Communion

10a.m. - Sunday School

10a.m. - Gather Together Fellowship

Monday, November 4th

Messiah: 10a.m. - Bible Study

6p.m. - MOPS Meeting

Messiah: 6p.m. - Bible Study on their Facebook page

Tuesday, November 5th

Peace: 9a.m. - Bible Study

Messiah: 7p.m. - Spiritual Growth Support Group

Wednesday, November 6th

Peace: 7:20a.m. - 10th-12th grade-Morning Prayer

9a.m. - Quilters Meet

Peace: No Confirmation—early out service projects

Messiah: 6:30p.m. - Family Faith Worship

• Thursday, November 7th

8a.m. - Men's Group Gathering

Messiah: 1:30p.m. - Quilting Fellowship

• Friday, November 8th

**Building Closed** 

• Saturday, November 9th

8a.m.-3p.m. - Super Saturday Daycare Event-Liz Jenks

Messiah: 7:30a.m.—Men's Bible Study

• Sunday, November 10th

9a.m. - Worship with Communion

10a.m. - Gather Together Fellowship

already there is a stench because he has been dead four days."

<sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?"

<sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

# This is the Gospel of our Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ!

MESSAGE

Special Music: Scott Swenson "Borning Cry"

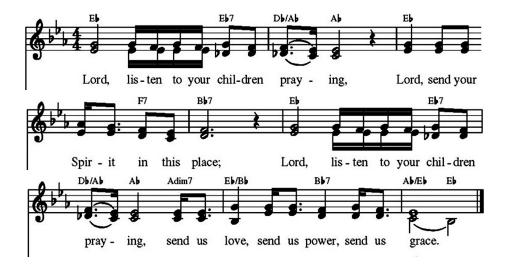
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

INTERCESSIONS: Lord, in your mercy – **hear our prayer** 

## PRAYERS FOR THE SAINTS OF UNITED

Families representing the Saints, who have joined the church triumphant in the past year, are invited to come forward and gather around the altar during the singing of, *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*.



A bell will toll as each name is read and a prayer will be lifted up.

Evelyn Grove, Liz Schroeder, Bill Nelson, Orvin Amundson, Mark Paulson, Craig Haraldson, Marion Mobraaten, Sam Coleman, Gaylord Paulson, Linda Folken, Barb Berg, Julie Nelson, Larry Stephens and for all other loved ones.

After the prayers, families are invited to place their candle in the cross. You will then return to your seats. These candles will remain lit throughout the week.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

P: At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION: The Lord has prepared an eternal feast for us around this table of grace. Let us rise, come forth, and join with all the Saints at the banquet of our Savior, who has united us for all of time.

#### LAMB OF GOD



**COMMUNION** will be served continuously on both sides. You are invited to light a candle in memory of a loved one as you come forward for communion.

Children who do not receive communion are invited forward for a blessing. Children are also welcome to receive communion with their parent's consent. All they need do is hold out their hand. All are welcome. If you are unable to come to the front, please raise your hand and an usher will inform the communion servers to come to you in the pew.

(There are gluten free wafers available, please let your server know if you require one. The first cup will have wine, the second cup will have grape juice.)

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

## **SENDING**

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

THE BLESSING SONG

The LORD bless you and keep you,
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you.
The Lord turn His face toward you
And give you peace.
Amen, amen, amen.
Amen, amen, amen.

P: Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# **POSTLUDE**

You are invited to the Fellowship Hall for coffee, treats and friendly conversation. Kids can get a treat before Sunday School!



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