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Welcome

to St. John Lutheran Church and our Contemporary Worship Service. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today and we pray your time with us will fill you with the love our Lord has for you.

May God bless your worship with us today, Paul Kruse, Pastor

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Compelled by the Love of Christ to Live, Learn, Share, and Serve'



Our Vision is to inspire the vibrant experience of Christian faith in our community, to all generations, wherever they may be'

All Saints Prelude

A Time of Preparation "Open Up The Heavens"

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We've waited for this day We're gathered in Your Name Calling out to You

Your glory like a fire awakening desire
Will burn our hearts with truth

You're the reason we're here You're the reason we're singing

Open up the heavens we want to see You
Open up the floodgates a mighty river
Flowing from Your heart
Filling every part of our praise
Oo oo oo oo

Your presence in this place Your glory on our face
We're looking to the sky
Descending like a cloud You're standing with us now
Lord unveil our eyes

You're the reason we're here You're the reason we're singing

Open up the heavens we want to see You
Open up the floodgates a mighty river
Flowing from Your heart
Filling every part of our praise
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Open up the floodgates a mighty river
Flowing from Your heart

Filling every part of our praise

Show us show us Your glory Show us show us Your power
Show us show us Your glory Lord
Show us show us Your glory Show us show us Your power
Show us show us Your glory Lord

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Welcome, Sharing of the Peace and Call To Worship Opening Song "Build My Life"

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You We live for You

Holy there is no one like You There is none beside You Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are And fill me with Your heart

And lead me in Your love to those around me

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name Jesus the only one who could ever save Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe

We live for You We live for You

Holy there is no one like You There is none beside You

Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are And fill me with Your heart

And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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Confession and Forgiveness Song of Praise

"Jesus Does"

Who tells the sun to rise every morning Colors the sky with the shades of His glory Wakes us with mercy and love Jesus does

Who holds the orphan comforts the widow Cries for injustice feels every sorrow Carries the pain of His children Jesus does

So we sing Praise to the Father who gave us the Son Praise to the Spirit who's living in us When I was a sinner He saved me from who I was 'Cause that's what Jesus does

Who understands the heart of the sinner Showers His grace over all our mistakes Washes us clean with His blood Jesus does

Who sings the song of sweet forgiveness Who stole the keys to hell and the grave Who has the power to save Jesus does

So we sing Praise to the Father who gave us the Son Praise to the Spirit who's living in us When I was a sinner He saved me from who I was 'Cause that's what Jesus does

Oh what a Friend Oh what a Savior He's always been good He's always been faithful He came to my rescue When I needed Him most And saved my soul

So we sing Praise to the Father who gave us the Son
Praise to the Spirit who's living in us
When I was a sinner He saved me from who I was
So we sing Praise to the Father who gave us the Son
Praise to the Spirit who's living in us
When I was a sinner He saved me from who I was
That's what Jesus does

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First Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12-26

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:1-12

- ¹ Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he opened his mouth 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 shall be comforted.
- ⁵ "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
- ⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
- ⁷ "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

- ⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
- ⁹ "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
- ¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ¹¹ "Blessed are you when others 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 so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.
 - **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
 - Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Message Song

"Home"

This world is not what it was meant to be
All this pain all this suffering
There's a better place waiting for me In heaven

Ev'ry tear will be wiped away
Ev'ry sorrow and sin erased
We'll dance on seas of amazing grace
In heaven in heaven.

I'm goin' Home where the streets are golden
Ev'ry chain is broken
Oh I wanna go oh I wanna go
Home where ev'ry fear is gone
I'm in Your open arms
Where I belong ... Home

Lay down my burdens I lay down my past
I run to Jesus no turning back
Thank God Almighty I'll be free at last
In heaven in heaven

I'm goin' Home where the streets are golden

Ev'ry chain is broken
Oh I wanna go oh I wanna go
Home where ev'ry fear is gone
I'm in Your open arms
Where I belong

Blinded eyes will fin'lly see
The dead will rise on the shores of eternity
The trump will sound the angels will sing
Hallelujah hallelujah I am goin'
Home where the streets are golden
Ev'ry chain is broken
Oh I wanna go oh I wanna go
Home where ev'ry fear is gone
I'm in Your open arms
Where I belong Where I belong
I'm goin' home
I'm goin' home

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Message

"Through Faith - Life"

Offering

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Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

P Holy Scripture says in Psalm 116:15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." On this All Saints' Day, we remember and give thanks and praise to God for the life and for the death of His saints. We rejoice with those who rejoice, and that includes rejoicing with those whose happiness now knows no end in the kingdom of glory. During the past year, families in our congregation and our extended church family have been impacted greatly by the death of ones we love. As those who trust in Jesus Christ, we do not grieve as the rest of the world grieves. We grieve in hope, we pray with confidence, and we live with certainty that those who have died in

Christ are secure in His presence. We also rejoice that one day we shall join them in their heavenly joy, which knows no end.

We honor the life and give thanks to God for these His saints:

Dolores Knoll - November 5, 1931 - December 6, 2022 Harvey Radebach – July 4, 1943 – December 10, 2022 Manfred Boehmer - May 16, 1951 - January 18, 2023 Marlin Shull – January 18, 1937 – February 21, 2023 Sylvia Tumath - February 28, 1926 - March 23, 2023 Julie Michaelson - July 10, 1947 - July 4, 2023 Joyce Radulski – August 12, 1927 – July 4, 2023 Cal Morgan - January 8, 1950 - June 26, 2023 David Ticknor - - July 7, 2023 Carol Schmidt - April 27, 1937 - July 12, 2023 Sally Patterson - March 25, 1943 - July 2, 2023 Rod Morrison - January 16, 1965 - July 24, 2023 Pauline Stroh – November 11, 1937 – July 25, 2023 Linda Alberts – December 12, 1941 – August 3, 2023 Jack Newman - September 10, 1926 - August 3, 2023 Kathy Ketelhut – April 18, 1949 – August 4, 2023 Conrad Seidel - April 6, 1934 - August 20, 2023 Dave Phelps - - September 17 Laura Dale – March 30, 1957 – September 20, 2023 Gary Ebel - September 29

P.....and all others dear to our hearts who have entered into everlasting rest with the Lord Jesus. Let us pray. Merciful Father, whose dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victoriously over death and the grave, we remember with thanksgiving Your faithful people who have trusted in Christ, whose tears are gone, and whose sorrows You have turned to joy. We humbly implore You to strengthen us in the confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

"Hymn of Heaven"

How I long to breathe the air of Heaven
Where pain is gone and mercy fills the streets
To look upon the one who bled to save me
And walk with Him for all eternity

There will be a day When all will bow before Him
There will be a day When death will be no more
Standing face to face With He who died and rose again
Holy holy is the Lord

And ev'ry prayer we prayed in desperation
The songs of faith We sang through doubt and fear
In the end we'll see that it was worth it
When He returns to wipe away our tears

There will be a day When all will bow before Him
There will be a day When death will be no more
Standing face to face With He who died and rose again
Holy holy is the Lord

And on that day we join the resurrection And stand beside the heroes of the faith With one voice a thousand generations Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain Forever He shall reign

There will be a day When all will bow before Him
There will be a day When death will be no more
Standing face to face With He who died and rose again
Holy holy is the Lord

So let it be today We shout the hymn of Heaven With angels and the Saints We raise a mighty roar Glory to our God Who gave us life beyond the grave Holy holy is the Lord Holy holy is the Lord Holy holy is the Lord

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

Blessing

Amen.

Sending Song

"The Sound of the Saints"

Oh, I love to hear the song of creation, the wind and the rhythm of the rain.

Oh, the thunder it speaks of Your power,

but there's something in the sound of the saints

I've been washed in the roar of the ocean, found peace in the echoes of a cave,
And the trees of the field they clap their hands,
But there's something in the sound of the saints

From the lips of those You saved, a redemption song will rise With a sound so full it cracks the sky!

Whoa, we sing hallelujah! Whoa, we sing amen! Hear the sound of the saints as we march onto Zion, Singing alleluia, amen! Singing alleluia, amen!

I will hear the chorus of the angels, forever a symphony of praise. I long to hear the voice of my Savior, and He hears us: the sound of the saints. From the lips of those You saved, a redemption song will rise Ev'ry tongue, ev'ry tribe, hear the Church, Your bride.

Whoa, we sing hallelujah! Whoa, we sing amen! Hear the sound of the saints as we march onto Zion, Singing alleluia, amen! Singing alleluia, amen! Whoa, whoa,

Our hearts will rise. Our song shall be Jesus Christ, our Savior King forever!

Our hearts will rise. The saints will sing

Of Jesus Christ, our Savior King forever, forever!

Whoa, we sing hallelujah! Whoa, we sing amen. Hear the sound of the saints as we march onto Zion, Singing alleluia, amen, alleluia, amen!

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