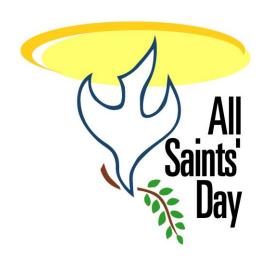
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All Saints Day November 2, 2025 8:30 am

The Holy Spirit Empowers Us for Ministry in Daily Life

Gathered by God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite and welcome all people to join us on our journey to become more faithful ministers of Jesus Christ in our homes, our communities, and the world.

We welcome all who worship with us today.

Visitors are invited to sign the guest register located in the lobby.

If you are interested in joining our family of faith,
please talk with one of our Pastors or call the church office.

Children are welcome and celebrated!

The "Children's Ministry" table and basket in the lobby contains a variety of items for children's use during worship.

Stop by to borrow a book or pick up some coloring sheets and crayons.

Please silence all communication devices.

Our services are live streamed and recorded. In-person attendance implies consent to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.

HOLY COMMUNION

All who believe in the presence of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to receive the Sacrament. To facilitate flow, the ushers invite people to come forward starting with the back rows and working forward. You should come forward using the center aisle to receive the elements in a continuous style from pastor and worship assistant. Afterward you may choose to kneel or stand at the altar rail for a brief moment of prayer or return to your seat up the side aisle, depositing your empty cup in the receptacle on your way. Gluten free wafers are available. Our wine is grape juice so that all may freely receive. Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. Communion kits are available at the usher stands for those who prefer to remain in their seats, and they will be communed along with our Zoom worshippers at the beginning of distribution.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Time of Remembrance

During the Gathering Music, each family is invited to pick up a shell to remember loved ones who have been BAPTIZED or who have DIED and place it in the baptismal font.

Gathering Music

Another Time, Another Place Susan Smith and Lisa Walton, duet Driskell

Welcome and Announcements

We rise in body or spirit.

Remembrance of All Saints

While we revere those who have gone before us in faith and remember them in love, this rite reminds us that in holy baptism God unites all the faithful into the one holy catholic and apostolic church: the church on earth and the church in heaven.

Let us remember all the saints before God, the newly baptized and those who have died.

We praise and bless you, O holy Trinity.

You have taught your church that it is an ageless communion of saints.

Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you.

Help us remember them as an encouragement to saintly living,

exciting us to love, in anticipation of an eternal reunion.

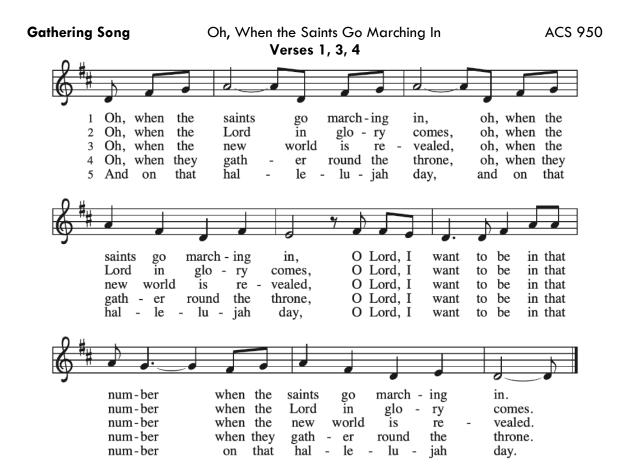
With them we praise and bless you, O holy Trinity.

Amen

Jesus says, take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

And you will find rest for your souls.



Greeting and Prayer of the Day

Beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all. And also with you.

We pray.

O Lord our God, in Jesus Christ you have blessed your people — offering plenty to those who are poor, food to those who are hungry, and laughter to those who weep. By the gift of your grace, let us stand among these saints, loving our neighbors as you have loved us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The assembly is seated.

WORD

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

Reading Ephesians 1:11-23

Translation: CEB

A reading from Ephesians.

We have also received an inheritance in Christ. We were destined by the plan of God, who accomplishes everything according to his design. We are called to be an honor to God's glory because we were the first to hope in Christ. You too heard the word of truth in Christ, which is the good news of your salvation. You were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit because you believed in Christ. The Holy Spirit is the down payment on our inheritance, which is applied toward our redemption as God's own people, resulting in the honor of God's glory.

Since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, this is the reason that I don't stop giving thanks to God for you when I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, will give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation that makes God known to you.

I pray that the eyes of your heart will have enough light to see what is the hope of God's call, what is the richness of God's glorious inheritance among believers, and what is the overwhelming greatness of God's power that is working among us believers.

This power is conferred by the energy of God's powerful strength.

God's power was at work in Christ when God raised him from the dead and sat him at God's right side in the heavens, far above every ruler and authority and power and angelic power, any power that might be named not only now but in the future.

God put everything under Christ's feet and made him head of everything in the church, which is his body. His body, the church, is the fullness of Christ, who fills everything in every way.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

We rise in body or spirit to welcome the gospel.

Gospel Luke 6:20-31

The Good News from Luke, the 6th chapter.

Open our hearts, Lord.

Looking at his disciples, Jesus said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

Translation: NIV

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort. Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

"But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

This is the Good News!

Thanks be to God!

The assembly is seated.

Sermon Pastor Tami Reichley

We rise in body or spirit.



Affirmation of Faith

We believe in a God who sees potential, who brings color into our world and delights in all creation.

We believe in a God who hurts when we hurt, who holds us and comforts us and stands beside us in solidarity.

We believe in a God who is with us in each breath, who amazes us and invites us to join the dance.

We believe that life is God's gift. **Hallelujah!**

Prayers of the People

A Litany for All Saints' Sunday

Gathered with the saints by the river of life and surrounded by the great cloud of their witness, we pray for the well-being of the church of God, the peace of the whole world, and the welfare of all people.

May the sun of righteousness rise on all who are sick (especially). God of compassion and love, We give thanks in glad remembrance.

We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past: for those who lit our lives with joy, for those who have touched us with tenderness, for those whose loss fills us with longing.

We give thanks in glad remembrance.

We celebrate those who have loved us for ourselves, looking with acceptance on all that we are, and cherishing us, without condition.

We give thanks in glad remembrance.

We celebrate those who have stood alongside us, holding us in the depths of joy or despair where words of joy fall silent.

We give thanks in glad remembrance.

We celebrate those who have travelled before us, showing us in their lasting courage and tenderness how to live in love and die in faith and hope.

We give thanks in glad remembrance.

Pastor's closing prayer:

We bless you for the saints of this congregation – past, present, and yet to come. Enlighten our hearts, so that we may minister in and beyond this place to the praise of your glory.

We give thanks in glad remembrance.

Holy and merciful God, we give you thanks for the members of our congregation who have died this past year:

Dorothy LeVene
Al Bistrais
Helen Breter
Richard Micheletti
Trevor Tormann
Grayson McNair
Linda Heintzelman
Diane Koerber-Wycoff
Michael Rosazza
Janice Emling
Richard Ryan
Judith Worsley

Jeff Erb
Frank Egner
Jayne Moxey
Glenn Fretz
Fred Schlerf
Raymond Baker
Robert Salasky
Marjorie Dean
Betty Jean Weigang
Thomas Sierzega
Judith Brndjar
and all others...

Holy and merciful God, we give you thanks for the members of our congregation who have been baptized this past year:

Jane Margaret
Paige
James Sean
Tristan David
Casare Alexander

Austin William James Joseph Maia James Priya June

Help us, with all your saints and angels, to seek your face and faithfully walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying, "Peace be with you."

The assembly is seated.

MFAI

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

During the Offering Song, the gifts will be brought forward. You may remain seated. If you wish you may leave your offering in the additional offering plates located on the tables in the back of the sanctuary as you leave.

Offering Song

Shall We Gather at the River

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- 1 Shall we gath er at the riv er, where bright an gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar gin of the riv er, wash ing up its sil ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv-er, lay we ev-'ry bur-den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God? we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day. grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown. soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Offering Prayer

We pray.

God of abundant love, hear the songs of our hearts -

songs of thankfulness and praise,

songs of hope and expectation, songs of laughter and joy,

songs of joyfulness and good will.

May our songs be sung throughout the world, in the gifts we bring to you today.

May these songs comfort those who weep, bring mercy to the poor and imprisoned, and offer encouragement to the weary.

Amen

We rise in body or spirit.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God, who is with us,
who has been with us, and who will be with us.

Rejoice in the Lord!

In the company of the faithful, we offer songs of praise!

Words of Institution

Word in Meal

Here at the table where the saints once feasted, you send your Spirit upon those who seek to imitate them, and upon the gifts of the bread and the cup.

Gather us to your heart, as we sit at your table with the saints of every time and place, we will join hands and hearts to sing your glory forever and ever. Amen

Lord's Prayer

The saints are all around us.

Make us mindful of them as we pray as Jesus has taught us.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

Invitation to the table

Jesus says: Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Come to the table of the Lord. Gather here with all the saints.

The assembly is seated.

Distribution of Communion

We rise in body or spirit.

Prayer after Communion

We pray.
Creator, beholder of our being;
Creator, reaching out to us;
Creator, beckoning us to love
You feed us.

Jesus, calmer of the distressed; Jesus, lifter of those who fall; Jesus, carrier of the weak **You feed us.**

Spirit, quencher of our thirst; Spirit, companion in our loneliness; Spirit, guardian of our soul **You feed us.**

In solidarity with the saints we have shared this meal.

In confidence with the faithful we have gathered our prayers.

In faithfulness with those you love you have made your presence known and we have been fed. Amen

SENDING

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

Blessing

The church is surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. May you find strength and courage in their presence.

And may Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen

Sending Song Please see next page.

Dismissal

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.



- 1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
- 2 Let those re fuse to sing who nev er knew our God;
- The hill of Zi on yields thou-sand sa a cred sweets Then let our songs a-bound, and ev - 'ry tear dry; be



join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join in a song with but chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, but chil - dren of the be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, be - fore we reach the we're march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, we're march - ing through Im -



sweet ac-cord and thus sur-round the throne, and thus sur-round the throne. heav'n-ly King may tell their joys a-broad, may tell their joys a - broad. heav'n-ly fields, or walk the gold-en streets, or walk the gold-en streets. man-uel's ground, to fair - er worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.





we're march-ing up-ward to Zi - on, the beau-ti-ful cit-y of God.

Pease join in supporting our church's ministries using your preferred method of giving:



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- Enroll in our on-line giving program, Simply Giving (recommended);
- Mail your offering check to the church;
- Text your offering to 610-981-1312;
- Download our mobile app for recurring or one-time gifts;
- Establish automatic contributions to the church using your bank's bill pay service.

Additional information is located in the Stewardship section of the church $\acute{\text{s}}$ website at: lchsemmaus.org.

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