

## Prayer

L: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

L: With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. Merciful God we give thanks to you that you give us new life every day. Strengthen us to be your hands and feet to the world you love.

We especially pray

for your church and its ministry of love,  
for your creation  
for those who govern nations of the world  
for all who work for peace  
for the hungry and the oppressed  
for the sick, the despairing, or suffering  
for those who are grieving.

*Additional prayer will be lifted here.*

L: All these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O God, for the sake of Christ who died and rose again, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen**

*Prayer will conclude with the Lord's Prayer.*

*Leader will lead the Lord's Prayer and you may pray in silence.*

## Sending

*God bless us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## Blessing and Dismissal

P: The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord's face shine on us with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace. **Amen.**

P: Go in peace. Christ is with us. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** "O When the Saints Go Marching In" TFF#180



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## *All Saints Sunday*

<sup>17</sup>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."

Revelation 7:17

To listen to the service, please turn your radio to

**FM 90.5**

Thank you for joining our service today.

## Gathering

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

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome**

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

*If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, [God] who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8-9)*

Martin Luther describes the confession this way: "Confession consists of two parts. One is that we confess our sins. The other is that we receive the absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God himself and by no means doubt but firmly believe that our sins are thereby forgiven before God in heaven." (Small Catechism. ELW page 1135.)

*This morning we confess to God in silence.*

*You may use these questions as your guide:*

*—Did I mess up last week? Did I hurt anyone?*

*—Did I love God with all my heart?*

*—What troubles me this morning?*

*We will take a moment of silence to bring our shortcomings to God and ask God's forgiveness.*

P: Here the word of God. "4But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us 5even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ — by grace you have been saved." (Ephesians 2:4-5) Our sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world. Amen.

### **Hymn**

**"For All Saints"**

ELW# 422

*Hymn will be played. You may hum along.*

## Word

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

## **Scripture Reading**

## **Revelation 7:9-17**

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"<sup>11</sup>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, <sup>12</sup>singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." <sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that 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.

<sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>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."

L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Message**

### **Hymn**

**"Shall We Gather at the River"**

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*Hymn will be played. You may hum along.*

