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November 5, 2023

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

9:00 am

PREPARATION

Prelude, Bells

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

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

Thanksgiving For Baptism

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Song

'Shall We Gather at the River'

#423

1. Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

(Refrain): Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

2. On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. (Refrain)

3. Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. (Refrain)

4. Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. (Refrain)

Text & Music: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899.

Greeting

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P: 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.**

KYRIE

P: Lord have mercy

C: LORD HAVE MERCY

P: Christ have mercy

C: CHRIST HAVE MERCY

P: God, our Father in heaven

C: HAVE MERCY ON US

P: God, the Son, our redeemer

C: HAVE MERCY ON US

P: God, the Holy Spirit

C: HAVE MERCY ON US

P: Holy Trinity, One God

C: HAVE MERCY ON US

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, **C: 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.**

WORD

First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

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Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3

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Special Music

'Celtic Communion'

Sr. Choir

Vs. 1 & 2 by Reginald Heber, Vs. 3 from St. Patrick's Breastplate, arr. By Mark Hayes

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia. Lord to whom.....'

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

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P: The Holy Gospel according to... **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

Sermon

Pastor Denise Fossen

Hymn of the Day

'For All The Saints' vs. 1, 6, 7

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1. For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

6. But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

7. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897. Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1871-1958. Music ©Oxford University Press

THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

P: When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by Baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life.

C: For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

P: Almighty God, those who die in the Lord still live with you in joy and blessedness. We give you heartfelt thanks for the grace you have bestowed upon your servants who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors:

P: For the life of Zachary Roy Giese. February 6, 2023 (bell)

John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live."

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

P: For the life of Ann Shirley Rosenwald Lundberg. March 13, 2023. (bell)

1 Corinthians 15:20-22 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

P: For the life of Kenneth Floyd Henneberg. April 2, 2023 (bell)

John 3:16-17 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

P: For the life of Richard Anderson May 4, 2023 (bell)

Psalms 121:8 The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

P: For the life of Wilbur Swede Anderson. June 7, 2023 (bell)

Psalms 91:1-2 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

P: For the life of Mark Nathan Block. June 16, 2023 (bell)

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

P: For the life of Wallace Sayles. June 23, 2023 (bell)

Psalm 116:15 *Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.*

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

P: We also remember those in our extended families, as well as those who enriched our lives by their presence, whose names are now spoken in our hearts... Rest eternal grant them, O Lord.

C: And let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.

P: We lift up to you, O God,

The names of those who have been baptized into Jesus Christ,
Knowing that they belong to you as children of the kingdom,
and trusting that when you call us children of God, that is what we are.

Lettie Jo Schoon
Kyson Brent Thompson
Marcus Remigo-Wayne Hanson
Harlow Krimson Hintz
David John Bartels
EllieMae Sahalie Karels
Sunny Margo Giese

C: Uphold them in faith, and nurture your whole church by the power of your Holy Spirit.

Families named are invited to come forward and light a candle.

PRAYER

P: Let us pray. We give thanks, O God.... In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray. **C: Amen.**

Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light

from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers for the People of God P: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

MEAL

Offering Collection and Presentation

Offertory Hymn

'As Saints of Old'

#695

1. As saints of old their firstfruits brought of orchard, flock, and field to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield; so we today firstfruits would bring, the wealth of this good land, of farm and market, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.

2. A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give; to make our life an offering to God, that all may live. The church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true: a world redeemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.

3. In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way. O God, who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son, teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

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Offertory Prayer

C: Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING (spoken)

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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.

Preface

P: It is indeed right...unending hymn:

'Holy, Holy, Holy'

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Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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Words of Institution

P: God of our weary years...until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Remembering, therefore...And let the church say, Amen **C: Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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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.

Invitation to Communion

Distribution Hymn:

'Lamb of God'

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Distribution Hymn:

'Behold the Host Arrayed in White'

#425

1. Behold the host arrayed in white like thousand snow-clad mountains bright, that stands with palms and sings its psalms before the throne of light! These are the saints who kept God's word; they are the honored of the Lord. He is their prince who drowned their sins, so they were cleansed, restored. They now serve God both day and night; they sing their songs in endless light. Their anthems ring when they all sing with angels shining bright.

2. On earth their work was not thought wise, but see them now in heaven's eyes; before God's throne of precious stone they shout their vict'ry cries. On earth they wept through bitter years; now God has wiped away their tears, transformed their strife to heav'nly life, and freed them from their fears. For now they have the best at last; they keep their sweet eternal feast. At God's right hand our Lord commands; he is both host and guest.

3. O blessed saints, now take your rest; a thousand times shall you be blest for keeping faith firm unto death and scorning worldly trust. For now you live at home with God and harvest seeds once cast abroad in tears and sighs. See with new eyes the pattern in the seed. The myriad angels raise their song. O saints, sing with that happy throng; lift up one voice; let heav'n rejoice in our redeemer's song!

Text: Hans A. Brorson, 1694-1764; tr. Gracia Grindal, b. 1943, alt. Music: Norwegian folk tune, 17th cent.; arr. Edward H. Grieg, 1843-1907.
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Distribution Hymn: 'Softly & Tenderly Jesus is Calling' #608

1. Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me. See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

(Refrain): "Come home, (Come home,) come home! (come home!) You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

2. Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me? (Refrain)

3. Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me. (Refrain)

Text & Music: Will L. Thompson, 1847-1909.

Eucharistic Blessing
Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

Benediction

P: May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

P: Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: We Will! Thanks be to God.

Sending Song 'Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In' vs.1-4 ACS #950

1. Oh, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

2. Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes, O
Lord, I want to be in that number when the Lord in glory comes.

3. Oh, when the new world is revealed, oh, when the new world is revealed,
O Lord, I want to be in that number when the new world is revealed.

4. Oh, when they gather round the throne, oh, when they gather round the
throne, O Lord, I want to be in that number when they gather round the
throne.

Text: African American spiritual. Music: African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version. Arr. ©2020 Augsburg Fortress.

Bells

Postlude

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*Psalm 139:14. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.*

In other words, "created to be..."

If you have pastoral needs, please call Pastor Denise anytime at 763-516-2026.

Welcome to all visitors and guests! May the joy of Christ fill you as we worship today. Friendship Pads are at the ends of each pew (by middle aisle). Fill them out, pass them on to your neighbor(s), and send them back to the middle aisle. Please join us downstairs following worship for coffee and fellowship.

KDIO Radio Broadcast is sponsored in memory of Billy Thymian from David and Debbie Ellingson and family. [Radio broadcast cards are available on the information kiosk in the narthex; cost is \$100/week]. 2024 cards are in the box.

OFFERING UPDATE: Here are the expenses for October: \$21,335.74. Here is what we received: \$21,931.22. You're also encouraged to visit our webpage for Online Giving at www.firstenglish.net.



Stonecroft Ministries Women's Connection will be meeting on Tuesday, November 14th at 5:30 pm at Tabor Methodist Church in Big Stone City, SD. Speaker will be Joyce Buseman of Centerville, SD. Her topic is "Insurance for

a Secure Future." Special feature will be Hanne's sweater mittens, personal rings and things of Sisseton, SD. Special music will be provided by Wanda Berry of Ortonville (soloist accompanied by Lee Kanten). The cost is \$6.00, and you can register with Carol Rabe at 605-862-8570 or just be a walk-in. Free nursery by reservation.

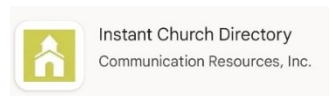
We are still seeking a candidate to work 5-10 hours per week as a Youth Leader for the grade school activities including Sunday School oversight, leading the Kids Club program, assisting with VBS planning, and helping kids to sign up for summer camp opportunities. If you would like further information or to apply for this position, please contact Barbara at the Church office - secretary@firstenglish.net.

Thanksgiving Eve service is Nov. 22nd and we need some acolytes, ushers, greeters, and someone to assist Marina at the tech desk. Please contact the office to volunteer.

We are looking for volunteers to prepare and serve coffee on Sundays going forward. Please contact the office if you are willing to help. If no one volunteers, we may not be able to have coffee fellowship after our services. ☕

The Prairie Five Nutrition Program is hosting a "Celebrating Nutrition Week" November 13-17th. There will be free rides from homes to the meal site at Ortonville Lakeside Apartments. Entertainment and speakers will start at 10:30 am with a meal to follow at 11:30 pm (call 320-839-3304 to reserve a meal). See posted flyers for more information.

If you haven't had your picture taken and would like to upload your own photo (and you've given us your email) then you can go to instantchurchdirectory.com and click on "create login" to set up an account to view the directory on their website and in their app (available on Android & Apple devices). Your email must match with a member in our directory, if you have any problems gaining access, contact Barbara in the office. Once you have logged in, you can click on "Edit My Family" (found by clicking the hamburger ☰ icon in the app; or the top right menu on the website). Then click "import image" to add a photo. If you need to change any of the information, like your address, you can do that too.



PRAYERS FOR HEALING and COMFORT for Ricky Anderson Jr., Carol Barrett; Marcus Hanson, Arlen LaCombe; Gail Olson; Harris Selvig; Russ Thielke; Brandi Tweeter; Clara Zeek; Monty Athey, Paul Erdman; Beckett Foster; Baby Rosie Frank; Larry Helgeson; Natalie Henneberg; Baby McCoy Jipson; Zane Kilde; Brian Pribyl; Janice Redfield; David Scholberg; and Jerry Stotesbery. AT FAIRWAY VIEW NEIGHBORHOODS: Janet Anderson; Arvilla Bergseth; Ruth Hansen; Jim Hipple; Vivian Janssen; & Eleanor Nickolauson. ALL OUR MILITARY who are deployed to areas of conflict. If you would like a name added/removed, please contact the church office.



REMINDER: Calendar and other important information is on our website at www.firstenglish.net and on the bulletin board (kiosk) in the narthex. The church office number is (320)839-2527.

This Week's Ministry Assistants—November 5th All Saints Day

Greeters: Madilyn Sletten & Dawn Barnhardt **Acolytes:** Brandon & Nash
Organist: Kathy Haukos **Lector:** Sara Mattison
Tech Desk: Liz Ketz & Marina Thomson **Coffee Servers:** Matt & Kirsten Karels
Ushers: Ev Johnson, Gale May, Kim Anderson & TBD
Lay Assistants: Marilyn Chindvall & Liz Ketz **FWV:** Sara & Ann Mattison

Next Week's Ministry Assistants—November 12th Beginning of Advent

Greeters: Kaitlyn Burdorf & Meadow Schablin **Acolytes:** Jaclyn & Lola
Organist: Marilyn Hanson **Lector:** Kathy Randall
Tech Desk: Matt Karels & Marina Thomson **FWV:** Marla Strei & Jane Debner
Ushers: Glenn Henningson, Ron Athey, Art Vollmer, and Larry Dahle
Lay Assistants: Jim Foster & Lori Strei **Coffee Servers:** TBD
Advent Volunteers: TBD

Weekly Calendar

Sun – 11/5 All Saints Sunday

9:00 am Worship – Communion – KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School (Christmas Practice)

10:30 am Fairway View Worship LIVE

Mon – 11/6 10:00 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm Council Meeting

Tues – 11/7 8:30 am Day of Love

4:00 pm Pastor Denise at Donnie's Diner at Fairway View

Wed – 11/8 9:30 am Channel 3 broadcast

3:30 pm Confirmation (7-8th grade)

4:30 pm Confirmation (9th grade)

5:30 pm Youth Group (7-12th gr.) & Channel 3 broadcast

7:00 pm Senior Choir (Cantata practice)

Fri – 11/10 9:00 am Bulletins Printed

Sat – 11/11 VETERAN'S DAY

Sun – 11/12 BEGINNING OF ADVENT

9:00 am Worship – Communion – Stewardship Emphasis –
KDIO & FB Live

10:00 am Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School (Christmas Practice)

10:30 am Fairway View Worship Pre-recorded

4:00 – 5:15 pm Cantata Practice



November 5, 2023, All Saints Sunday

Matthew 5:1-12

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Eternal and holy God, in Jesus Christ you promise us life everlasting with you in the great feast which has no end. Stir up in our hearts love and compassion for all who mourn, trusting that you will one day turn our mourning into dancing. Amen.



Read: Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you." (Matthew 5:12)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

On this day when we remember all the saints of Christ—those who have passed and all of us who live in Christ—we are reminded of the promise that our reward will be great in heaven, thus we are invited to rejoice and be glad here and now.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Who have you lost that still hurts? Who can you reach out to for support?

What are God's promises for us after death?

For the littles: Have you ever lost a loved one? How do you feel? It's ok to be sad when someone dies. It's also ok to be ok.



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God bless you and the saints before you. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Find out who in your congregation has lost someone close in the last year. Make a plan to visit with them or bring them a gift during the holidays. Let them know they are not alone.



Go Deeper: Read and reflect on the readings for each day of the week.

Monday, Psalm 128; Joshua 4:1-24; 1 Thessalonians 2:13-20

Tuesday, Psalm 128; Joshua 6:1-16, 20; Acts 13:1-12

Wednesday, Psalm 128; Joshua 10:12-14; Matthew 15:1-9

Thursday, Psalm 78:1-7; Joshua 5:10-12; Revelation 8:6-9:12

Friday, Psalm 78:1-7; Joshua 8:30-35; Revelation 9:13-21

Saturday, Psalm 78:1-7; Joshua 20:1-9; Matthew 24:1-14