

Welcome to All Saints Lutheran Church

Our mission is....

"to bring people the good news of God's love in Jesus Christ."

17th Sunday After Pentecost

September 24th, 2023

9:00am † 11:00am



The nursery is open for care of children 6 months to 3 years old during the 9am service.
Busy Bags are available in the sanctuary for children attending service.

* (Denotes when congregation is invited to stand.)

(BOLD PRINT: ALL will respond.)

GATHERING

PRELUDE

SANCTUARY CHOIR (11AM)

JEFF YODER, PIANIST

BE STILL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MINUTE: BLOOD DRIVE

KAREN JOHNSON

* GATHERING HYMN: # 401

GRACIOUS SPIRIT, HEED OUR PLEADING

Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading, fashion us all anew.
It's your leading that we're needing, help us to follow you.

*Refrain: Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.
Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come to teach us, come to nourish those who believe in Christ.
Bless the faithful, may they flourish, strengthened by grace unpriced. *Refrain*

Guide our thinking and our speaking done in your holy name.
Motivate all in their seeking, freeing from guilt and shame. *Refrain*

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* PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray together. **Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual loving-kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THE WORD

LESSON

PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

* GOSPEL VERSE: HYMN # 173

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

REFRAIN: ALL, VERSES: CHOIR OR CANTOR

Hallelujah, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

* HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 20th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read

MATTHEW 20:1-16

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“NEW CHRISTIANS”

PASTOR DAN HOEGER

*** HYMN OF THE DAY # 765**

LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares can destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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*** THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

People of God, what do you believe?

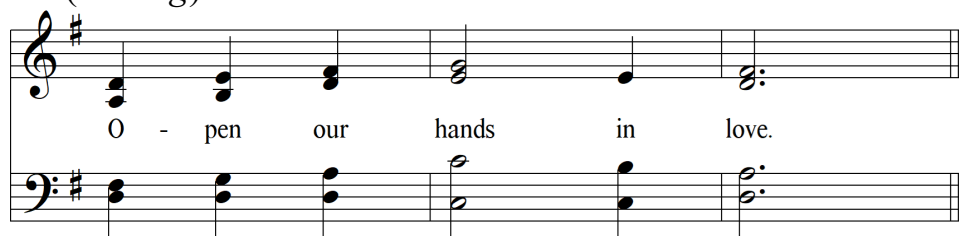
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

God, we pray . . . (*all sing*)



SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

THE MEAL

OFFERING

MISSION SUPPORT RELIEF OFFERING: LUTHERAN NAVAJO MISSION

SANCTUARY CHOIR (9AM)

BE STILL

*** RESPONSE HYMN # 674**

LET US TALENTS AND TONGUES EMPLOY

**Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.**

*Refrain: Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again.
Pass the Word around: loaves abound!*

**Christ is able to make us one, at his table he set the tone,
teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. *Refrain***

**Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere! *Refrain***

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*** OFFERING PRAYER**

Holy God, giver of all good things, receive the gifts we bring, fruit of the earth and the work of human hands, that they may be used to your purposes for life and love in the world. **Amen.**

*** GREAT THANKSGIVING**

FRONT OF HYMNAL, p. 129-130

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Honor, praise, glory and thanksgiving to you, God, our loving Creator. In the beginning you reached your hands into the earth and formed humanity in your own image. You breathed into us your own breath of love and gave us hearts and hands and voices to live your loving purpose in the world. Throughout the history of your people, you never abandoned us, but brought us into community with one another and with you, and guided us through your prophets. In the fulfillment of all things, you came to us in Jesus, born into a human family, raised in a hometown, who gathered around himself a community formed by your love, and yearned to gather all people under the loving wings of a mother hen. And so with God's people on earth, all creation, and the host of heaven, we join their unending hymn:

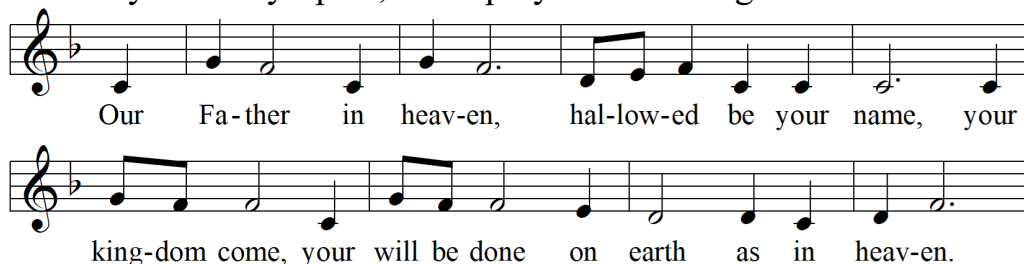
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

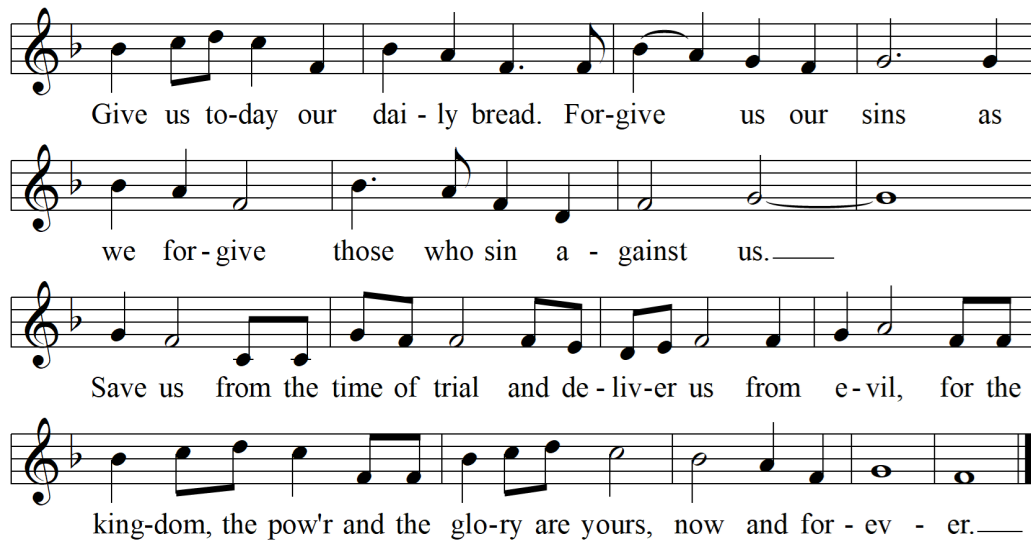
Sitting at dinner with friends and knowing one among them would break the bonds of love, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:





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SHARING BREAD AND WINE

LAMB OF GOD

FRONT OF HYMNAL, p. 135

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.

HYMN # 461

ALL WHO HUNGER, GATHER GLADLY

All who hunger gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Refrain: Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here in joy we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood. Refrain
All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here in peace we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude. Refrain

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HYMN # 466

IN THE SINGING

In the singing, in the silence, in the hands expectant,
open in the blessing, in the breaking, in your presence at this table.
Refrain: Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the wine of grace;
Jesus Christ, Jesus Christ, be the bread of peace.
In the question, in the answer, in the moment of acceptance,
in the heart's cry, in the healing, in the circle of your people. Refrain

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HYMN # 753

DONA NOBIS PACEM (GRANT US PEACE)

Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem.
Dona nobis pacem. Dona nobis pacem.
Dona nobis pacem. Dona nobis pacem.

Traditional.

*** TABLE BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

Holy Jesus, in this meal you have fed and nourished us to work in your beloved world.
Send us now, filled with yourself and strengthened by your Spirit to live your love for others.
Amen.

THE SENDING

*** BENEDICTION**

God who sets forth the law of love, Jesus who fulfills the law for you, and the Spirit through whom you are called to love, (+) bless you this day, that you may be God's hands and heart and voice at work in the world. **Amen.**

*** SENDING HYMN # 669**

RISE UP, O SAINTS OF GOD!

**Rise up, O saints of God! From vain ambitions turn;
Christ rose triumphant that your hearts with nobler zeal might burn.**

**Speak out, O saints of God! Despair engulfs earth's frame;
as heirs of God's baptismal grace, the word of hope proclaim.**

**Rise up, O saints of God! The kingdom's task embrace;
Redress sin's cruel consequence; give justice larger place.**

**Give heed, O saints of God! Creation cries in pain;
Stretch forth your hand of healing now, with love the weak sustain.**

**Commit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;
And, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God ."**

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*** DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are God's hands at work in the world. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TALK OR PRAY WITH A STEPHEN MINISTER AFTER WORSHIP,
LOOK FOR THEM ON CAMPUS. (THEY WEAR A BLUE NAME BADGE)**

**ALTAR FLOWERS: MARLENE OLSEN & WALTER MIKITOWICZ
CELEBRATING THEIR 45TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**



Lutherans on the Loose will meet for the first time on Wednesday September 27th at 6:00pm for dinner, fun, and fellowship. For more information on this new group and to sign up to attend contact Tammy Follensbee at tfollensbee@allsaintsphoenix.org.

Job Openings

Nursery Attendant (Part-Time) and Facility Manager (Part-Time)

For the full job descriptions, applications, and contact information visit allsaintsphoenix.org/job-openings.



BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, October 8th
8:00am - 12:00pm

To sign up visit <http://www.donors.vitalant.org>
(Sponsor Code: allsaints),
see Karen Johnson in the Narthex
or call 602-866-9191.



MOPS/MOM\$next Bake Sale

Next Sunday, October 1st, 2023
8:30am - 12:30pm
To donate baked items,
contact Pastor Kristin
at krice@allsaintsphoenix.org.

From Homelessness to Stability

All Saints is excited to begin hosting Lutheran Social Service's new I-HELP program on a monthly basis. We need your help to shape this into a stable and welcoming ministry here. Share your insights and questions with Pastor Dan and Tammy Follensbee. Join in TODAY's forum at 10:10am in room 201.

The *October Saints Alive*
Newsletter
is now available!

Scan the QR code or
pick up a copy in the
narthex, library,
fellowship hall, or office.



TRAINING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS!

Assisting Minister: TODAY September 24th between services
Acolyte: October 1st between services
Lector: October 8th between services

VOLUNTEER

If you are interested in attending any of the above sessions or in becoming a **Worship Coordinator** or **11am Usher**, please contact Courtney Krueger at ckrueger@allsaintsphoenix.org.

**Mission Support
Relief Offering
TODAY, September 24th**

**Benefits: Lutheran
Navajo Mission**

Care Card and Jewelry Making

NOTE CHANGE: Classes will only meet on Saturdays.

Jewelry Making class will
be held on October 21st.
Care Card class will be held
on October 28th.

Sign up at the Senior Ministry Table in the Narthex!

Members, Friends & Guests please sign the burgundy welcome pad and pass it to those sitting next to you. When all have signed please pass it back and welcome guests after worship.

First time guests please fill out a Welcome Card and place in the offering plate.

Senior Ministries Presents: Friday Friendly Friday October 13th

Willow Creek Band will start off the Friday Friendly season!

Lunch starts at 12pm in the Fellowship Hall. Entertainment starts at 1pm in the Sanctuary.

All are welcome to join in the entertainment. Cost for lunch is \$15 (pay at the door).

Please RSVP by signing up at the Senior Ministry cart in the Narthex, call the church office, or contact Tammy at tfollensbee@allsaintsphoenix.org.

PET BLESSING:

Wednesday October 4th @ 7:00pm

Join us in the courtyard with your pet (or a photo of your pet) for a celebration of God's creation.

All animals must be on leashes or in crates.



Troubling Texts and Gender Justice October 18th and 25th

6:30pm - 8:00pm in room 201

In this two part series, we will explore the Biblical texts most commonly (mis!)used to support women's subordination, and discover a more liberating lens with help from the ELCA Short Statement *Faith, Sexism and Justice: A Call to Action*.

Led by Pastor Kristin. All genders welcome.

For more information: krice@allsaintsphoenix.org

Special Sunday School Milestones

Pre-K & Kindergarten Milestone – Grace & Forgiveness

Sunday, October 1st at 9:00am in Pre-School Rooms 102/103.

3rd Grade Milestone – Bible Adventure Classes (2 Sessions)

Sunday, October 8th at 9:00am in Room 201 (Session #1)

Sunday, October 15th at 9:00am in Room 201 (Session #2)



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