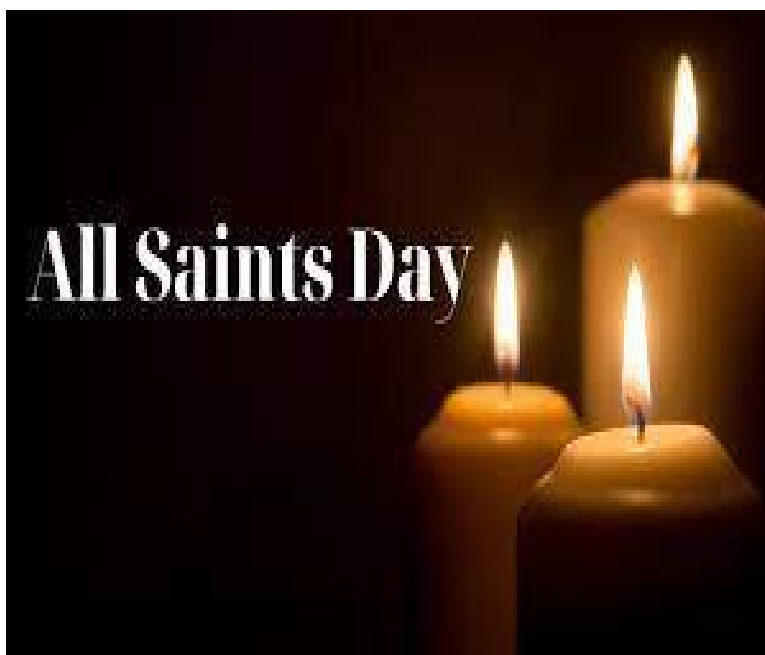


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Divine Service Setting 2

LSB 167

AS WE GATHER

An old story tells of a stranger walking in the streets of a noisy city. He listens, stops, and finds a cricket on the street that no one has noticed. He drops some coins on the pavement, and everyone hears and stops. In the Gospel today, no one but Jesus noticed the copper coins amid the large sums placed in the offering box. But He did not hear coins; He heard the sound of a great faith. This woman gave her all, trusting in the Lord alone. We live in times of great abundance. Great abundance does not produce generosity, but faith does. From the generous God who has given us all things in Christ, we learn to live as a generous people. The grace of God is sufficient for all things we need today and for our eternal salvation.

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME GUESTS

We're glad you are here! Make it a point to introduce yourself to the pastor. (*Please keep your distance though*) Please take time to fill out an attendance card and drop it in the basket during the offering. Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (<https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/>).

PREPARATION

HYMN

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

LSB 670

**Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

Stand

**O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing:
"Alleluia, alleluia!"
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Matthew 5:8*

Blessed to be in God's presence, let us confess our sins to Him.

We take a moment for silent prayers of confession.

Let us pray.

Help me, Lord, for I am in great need! My sins are too many to count. My burdens are too heavy to carry. I call out to You for mercy! I ask for Your forgiveness, full and free. As the Father who loves me and sent Jesus to die for me, forgive me of my sins. By Your Holy Spirit, create in me a pure heart that I may worship You in the company of all Your saints. As Your Word has promised, bless me as Your own. Amen.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.” You have been blessed by Jesus with the purity of heart that comes from sins forgiven. Now we see God with eyes of faith; one day, we shall see Him face-to-face. This is all because of His mercy, which He has poured out upon you and all who trust in Him. As your pastor, it is my privilege to announce this grace to you and, as He has commanded, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

WORD

INTROIT *Psalms 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b*

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;

in your righteousness deliver me.

For you are my rock and my * fortress;
and for your name's sake you lead me and * guide me.
Into your hand I commit my * spirit;
you have redeemed me, O Lord, * faithful God.

Glory be to the Father and * to the Son
and to the Holy * Spirit;
as it was in the be * ginning,
is now, and will be forever. * Amen.

These are the ones coming out of the great tribu * lation.
They have washed their robes and made them white in the
blood * of the Lamb.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST LSB 170
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God,
You bless us now by Your Word and Spirit.
You will bless us for eternity with joy in Your presence.
Grant us hearts to receive and share all the blessings You so
freely give;

through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

MEMORIZED WORD

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, Hebrews 12:1

FIRST READING *Revelation 7:9–17*

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵“Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water,

and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL *Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

These are the ones coming out of the great tribu * lation.

**They have washed their robes and made them white in
the blood * of the Lamb.**

Blessed are those whose strength is * in You,

in whose heart are the highways to * Zion.

EPISTLE *1 John 3:1–3*

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VERSE *Hebrews 12:1a, 2a*

Alleluia. Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.
Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 12:38-44*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁸ In his teaching [Jesus] said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces ³⁹ and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, ⁴⁰ who devour widows’ houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.” ⁴¹ And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. ⁴³ And he called his disciples to him and said to them, “Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. ⁴⁴ For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY “For All the Saints” *LSB 677*

**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!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Stand

**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!**

SERMON

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

OFFERING

COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Today, as we celebrate All Saints' Day, we are given three reasons for honoring the saints in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession. First, as we remember the saints, we thank God for giving faithful servants to His Church.

Second, through such remembrance our faith is strengthened as we see the mercy that God extended to His saints of old. And also, these saints are examples by which we may imitate both their faith and their holy living according to our calling in life.

Third, In remembrance of and thanksgiving for all those who have gone before us for the mercy they showed us, for the examples they gave us, for the joy they brought to our lives, we give thanks.

*[At this time individual members who have died since last All Saints' Day may be remembered by name. **Jeanette Creamer and Mable Wilke**, As each name is read, a bell will toll, a candle is lit, and Scripture read, as a sign of remembrance and of victory in Christ.]*

OFFERTORY

LSB 176

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Jeanette Creamer,

Psalms 116:1-9,15

Almighty God, in whose glorious presence live all who depart in the Lord, we give you hearty thanks for Your loving-kindness to all Your servants who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. Strengthen us in the confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and of 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.

Mable Wilke,

Psalms 65:1-8

Merciful Father, whose dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victorious over death and the grave, we remember Mable with thanksgiving Your faithful child who has trusted in Christ, whose tears are gone, and whose sorrows You have turned to joy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray:

For our fellow saints of God in Christ Jesus whom have remained faithful to His Word, let us pray to the Lord:

Bless us with Your mercy.

For Your blessed ones who represent You among every nation, tribe, people, and language, let us pray to the Lord:

Bless us with Your mercy.

For Your Body, the Christian Church on earth, that we see in our service the coming of Your kingdom into our world,

let us pray to the Lord:

Bless us with Your mercy.

For all the families of our congregation, that in seeing the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, and the grieving, we see You in them, and welcome the opportunity to bless others as You have first blessed us, let us pray to the Lord:

Bless us with Your mercy.

For all those who mourn the death of those they love, [*a moment of silence for those that we remember in our hearts*] that their hearts be filled with Your peace and their eyes of faith behold You the day of their reunion at the throne of the Lamb, when we shall see You face-to-face, let us pray to the Lord:

Bless us with Your mercy.

For the sick, [*especially . . .*], that they receive Your blessing through the healing that comes by Your power alone, let us pray to the Lord:

Bless us with Your mercy.

Into Your care, O Lord, we entrust all for whom we pray, always relying upon Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

**Jerusalem the golden,
With milk and honey blest--
The promise of salvation,
The place of peace and rest--
We know not, oh, we know not
What joys await us there;
The radiancy of glory,
The bliss beyond compare!**

**Within those halls of Zion
Sounds forth the joyful song,
As saints join with the angels
and all the martyr throng.
The Prince is ever with them;
The daylight is serene;
The city of the blessed
Shines bright with glorious sheen.**

**Around the throne of David,
The saints, from care released,
Raise loud their songs of triumph
To celebrate the feast.
They sing to Christ their leader,
Who conquered in the fight,
Who won for them forever
Their gleaming robes of white.**

Stand

**O sweet and blessed country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country**

**That faithful hearts expect!
In mercy, Jesus, bring us
To that eternal rest
With You and God the Father
And Spirit, ever blest.**

Preacher	Dan Reh
Liturgist	Pastor Michael Tanney
Lector	Pastor Michael Tanney
Elders	Al Bohannon & Earl Welch
Organist	Suzanne Manelli
Ushers	William Gebhart and Roger Schmidt
Children's Message	Alex Shick
Acolytes	Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy
Greeter	Roger Schmidt
Worship Screen	Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy
Bible Class	Pastor Michael Tanney
Sunday School	Allen Dass
Confirmation	Sam Shick

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Announcements

Saved to Share Called to Care

Our Response to God's Love Last Week

Attendance Sunday: 64

Communion: 51

Offering: \$1,166.00

CONCORDIA SEMINARY AFTER CHAPEL CONCERT SERIES The After Chapel Concerts are mini concerts featuring musicians from within and beyond the Seminary community. Concerts are held in the Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus directly following morning chapel services from 9:55 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Concerts are typically held in the chapel balcony. These concerts also will be streamed at csl.edu/live. Check out their website for a full schedule and details! The next concert is on Tuesday, November 9th featuring Jerrode Marsh.

FOOD PANTRY will be holding a Thanksgiving food drive from November 6th-November 25th

NEW YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY We are hosting a new Bible Study for young adults between the ages of 18-30. The Bible Study will run from 5:30pm-7:30pm, and will include a pizza dinner (provided by St. Johns). We will meet twice a month, with our next date being November 20th. If interested, please RSVP to stjohnslcstl@gmail.com or call 314-773-0126 and let us know what your preferred pizza topping is.

VOTER'S MEETING There will be a Voter's Meeting next week on November 14th @ 11:30am, after Bible Class. All members are welcome to attend.

WORD OF LIFE FUNDRAISER WOL will be having a fundraiser at Panera(6607 Chippewa St) on November 16th, from 4pm-8pm. You can order online at panerabread.com and enter code **PRFUND** at checkout. You can also bring the flyer to the cashier when ordering.

2nd ANNUAL OFFICER TAMARRIS BOHANNON COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE will take place from November 10th-November 18th. This year, we will again be a collection site for this.

2022 ENVELOPES AND CALENDARS are available to be picked up in the back of church.

Prayers

Special Prayer Petitions –**Steve Bain** for healing from back and hip arthritis pain; **For** those infected by the corona virus for quick healing and recovery; **Maureen Rehmer** as she is in the hospital; **Don Osiek** as he adjusts to assisted living; **Joleen's Mother** who had a heart attack and **for Joleen and family** as they mourn the loss of her grandmother; **Field-workers** and **Vicars**; **Nepali & African Congregation** blessings; **EAGLE schools & Compass** as they continue looking for staff.

Shut Ins – **Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Carol Carr**

Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week

November 7-November 14

Sunday	9:00am Worship 10:30am Bible Study/Nepalese Worship 12:30pm African Worship
Monday	8am-2pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass 6pm-7pm Ladies Exercise 6:30pm Elders
Tuesday	8am-2pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass 6pm Seminary Students
Wednesday	8am-2pm Office Open 3pm-6pm Compass 6:30pm NT Class/ESL 6:30pm Choir
Thursday	8am-2pm Office Open 10am Confirmation NO Compass
Friday	8am-1pm Office Open 8am Bible Study 2pm-6pm Compass
Saturday	8:30am Food Pantry 1pm Vicars
Next Sunday	9:00am Worship w/ Communion 10:30am Bible Study/Nepalese Worship 11:30am Voter's Meeting 12:30pm African Worship