

***ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL  
LUTHERAN CHURCH***

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP: SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT

*(printed on liturgy insert inside front cover of maroon hymnal)*

- ◆ Pre-service Devotion: Psalm 16 (pew bible, p.486)
- ◆ The Hymns: 677 (1-3,7-8); “By All Your Saints Still Striving” (printed on last page of bulletin), 662 (1-3), 662 (4)
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 22:23-32
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 145
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed (last page of liturgy insert)

### Sermon Text – Proverbs 10:7a

## ALL SAINTS' DAY: THE CHURCH'S MEMORIAL DAY

1. Who are the *true* saints of God?
2. How does remembering saints who have died serve for our blessing?

- ◆ Offering of Our Hearts and Gifts
- ◆ Prayer & the Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Communion Liturgy (liturgy insert, pp.17-21)
- ◆ Benediction & Closing Hymn (662, stanza 4)

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A Warm Welcome in Christ to our Worship Guests. We are glad for the opportunity to share with you the Gospel of forgiveness through Jesus! Please introduce yourself to the pastor and sign our guest book. We invite you to come worship with us again. If you would like to know more about St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church and our national organization, the Church of the Lutheran Confession, please speak with the pastor. He will be happy to call on you to share our confession and mission with you.

*Large print bulletins are available by the tract rack or by request from an usher.*

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

### First Lesson – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13 Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. 14 We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. 15 According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore encourage each other with these words.

### Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 145

P I will exalt you, my God the King:

**C I will praise your name for ever and ever.**

P Every day I will praise you:

**C And extol your name for ever and ever.**

P The LORD is gracious and compassionate:

**C Slow to anger and rich in love.**

P All you have made will praise you, O LORD:

**C Your saints will extol you.**

P The LORD is near to all who call on him:

**C To all who call on him in truth.**

P The LORD watches over all who love him:

**C But all the wicked he will destroy.**

P My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD:

**C Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.**

### Second Lesson – Matthew 22:23-32

23 That same day the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him with a question. 24 "Teacher," they said, "Moses told us that if a man dies without having children, his brother must marry the widow and have children for him. 25 Now there were seven brothers among us. The first one married and died, and since he had no children, he left his wife to his brother. 26 The same thing happened to the second and third brother, right on down to the seventh. 27 Finally, the woman died. 28 Now then, at the resurrection, whose wife will she be of the seven, since all of them were married to her?" 29 Jesus replied, "You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God. 30 At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven. 31 But about the resurrection of the dead—have you not read what God said to you, 32 'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? He is not the God of the dead but of the living."

### Sermon Text – Proverbs 10:7a

The memory of the righteous will be a blessing.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

|              |          |   |
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| Today (11/3) | 8:30 am  | Choir Practice  |
|              | 9:30 am  | Worship Service with Holy Communion                         |
|              | 10:45 am | Sunday School (Gideon, OT 33)                               |
|              | 10:45 am | Quarterly Voters' Meeting                                   |
|              | 3:30 pm  | Choir Practice  |
|              | 4:00 pm  | Reformation Festival Service (rescheduled from last Sunday) |
| Sun (11/10)  | 8:30 am  | Elders' Meeting   |
|              | 9:30 am  | Worship Service   |
|              | 10:45 am | Sunday School (Samson, OT 34)                               |
|              | 10:45 am | Bible Class   |

### EXTENDED CALENDAR

- Thanksgiving Eve Worship: Wednesday, Nov.27, 7:00 pm

### SERVING US AT GOD'S HOUSE DURING NOVEMBER

- Ushers: Wayne Ruegge, Joshua Ruegge
- Elder: Ed Chiappetti
- Communion Assistant: Larry Reed

**THE FRONT RANGE REFORMATION SERVICE** (rescheduled from last Sunday) will be conducted today at 4:00 pm. The service will be followed by a potluck meal. There will also be a choir practice before the service at 3:30.

**CALL NEWS:** The CLC Board of Missions has extended a call to Pastor Andrew Schaller of Marquette MI to serve as our third foreign missionary.

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*Praise the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise  
in the assembly of THE SAINTS. Psalm 149:1.*

*I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened  
in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you,  
the riches of his glorious inheritance in THE SAINTS,  
and his incomparably great power for us who believe.  
Ephesians 1:18-19.*

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## DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS

### NOVEMBER 4-9

**Mon Ezekiel 36:26-38** The two verses prior to our text are crucial, for God is speaking to those whose hearts had been resurrected from rigor mortis by God's Holy Spirit. Under those conditions God condescended to grant earthly prosperity (28-30). Repentance comes first (31-32); then many blessings may follow (33-36)—not the least of which is the firm conviction that God wasn't a fake but LORD Jehovah, who still loved them. We understand and agree.

**Tues Mark 1:21-28** Jesus put first things first by presenting God's Word (21), and they got the message (22). Secondly, a miracle would prove Jesus was more than a premier rabbi, for when He was confronted by a demon who was soiling his human residence, He accepted the challenge. No contest (25-26). And although the demon admitted that Jesus was God's Son, it seems that nobody else caught on. How obtuse of them!

**Wed James 5:13-20** We need each other to help cope with arthritis, cancer, the flu, and our hereditary virus of sinfulness. Confession is good for the soul, as are prayers for one another (16). In point of fact, when we focus on a specific (effective) problem and are distressed (fervent) as Elijah was, then God moves heaven and earth to produce a good result (18). Same with us.

**Thurs Jeremiah 30:12-17** Jeremiah 30:12-17 Although God had blessed the Hebrews abundantly, they turned from Him to other gods; so God let them pay the price of cheating on Him (12-15). And if His tough love would bring them to repent, God would turn the tables on their adversaries and restore His people to spiritual health. Lord, have mercy on us likewise!

**Fri John 9:24-34** Since he enjoyed a unique closeness to Jesus, John was eye-witness to this miracle and ear-witness to the scolding that followed. We marvel at the stupidity of the Pharisees, who saw Jesus as nothing more than a renegade Rabbi. The healed fellow has sharper insight, for which we praise the Holy Spirit. Lord, please enlighten those who sit in spiritual darkness!

**Sat Acts 4:13-22** God's Holy Spirit has connected us with Jesus (which is obvious to others, v. 13), but that doesn't make Christians popular. In point of fact, being Christian qualifies us/them for public threats and intimidation (15-18). The Holy Spirit gave Peter and John the splendid response: "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge." In other words, "We decline to be intimidated, for we are on God's side in this matter, but you are not! So we (being on God's side) cannot go along with your command that we stop testifying that Jesus has healed this man, for we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." [Who knows, we may meet some of them in heaven.] Stay tuned.

## **HYMN BEFORE THE SERMON**

### ***By All Your Saints Still Striving***

(Melody: "The Church's One Foundation")

1. By all Your saints still striving, For all Your saints at rest,  
Your holy name, O Jesus, Forevermore be blessed!  
You rose, our King victorious, That they might wear the crown  
And ever shine in splendor Reflected from Your throne.

2. Our thanks for John the Baptist  
Who, till his dying day,  
Made straight paths for the Savior  
And heralded His Way!  
In witnessing to Jesus  
Through times of threat or shame  
May we with faith and courage  
The Lamb of God proclaim.

3. We sing with joy of Mary, Whose heart with awe was stirred  
When, youthful and astonished, She heard the angel's word.  
Yet she her voice upraises, To magnify God's name,  
As once for our salvation Your mother she became.

4. We praise You for St. Peter; We praise You for St. Paul.  
They taught both Jew and Gentile That Christ is all in all.  
To cross and sword they yielded And saw the kingdom come;  
O God, these two apostles Reached life through martyrdom.

5. All praise for faithful pastors,  
Who preached and taught Your Word,  
For Timothy and Titus,  
True servants of their Lord,  
Lord, help Your pastors nourish  
The souls within their care,  
So that Your Church may flourish  
And all Your blessings share.

6. Then let us praise the Father And worship God the Son  
And sing to God the Spirit, Eternal Three in One,  
Till all the ransomed number Who stand before the throne,  
Ascribe all power and glory And praise to God alone.

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