

# CHAPEL OF THE CROSS

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# Welcome to Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran!

## To Our Visitors

We offer you a very warm welcome to Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran! We are happy to have you worshipping with us and hope that your worship here today and the Word of God that is shared will assist you in the week ahead. If you are looking for a church home, we hope that you would prayerfully consider making Chapel of the Cross that home. May God bless your week!

## Nursery

If you need to take your infant or toddler out of the worship service, the nursery is available for your use. The worship service is broadcast to the nursery. An usher will be happy to show you where it is located.

## Sunday School and Bible Study

We have an exciting Sunday School program for children age 2 and up. We also offer Bible studies for youth and adults at 9:45 a.m. Sunday School rooms are in the Lower Level. Check the Chapel Weekly handout for Bible study locations. An usher will be happy to take you to the appropriate place.

## Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated regularly and often here at Chapel of the Cross. If you have questions about Holy Communion and what we as a church believe about it, please speak with the Pastor before the service. Children are invited to come forward with their parents for a blessing.

## Sound Enhancement Devices

If you are hearing impaired there are sound enhancement devices available. Please ask an usher for a personal receiver.

### **The Mission of Chapel of the Cross**

*Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran exists to show the love of Jesus to the people of North County and beyond so that all may have a living relationship with Christ.*

# All Saints' Day

November 6, 2022

11:00 a.m.

*Please note: This worship service is live streamed and recorded.*

## AS WE GATHER

In our Confessions, we say that we remember the saints so we may give thanks for them and their witness, so we might be strengthened by their example, and so we might be moved to follow them as they followed Christ. This is not about hero worship, but it is about recognizing the faithful who went before us, who trusted in Christ, and who were received into His mercy. It is about being encouraged as we fight the good fight here and now. It is also about looking to the great reunion when finally all the faithful will be together forever in the marriage supper of the Lamb without end.

## PRELUDE

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

arr. for handbells by Michael Ryan

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND EXCHANGE OF PEACE

*It is important to recognize that some people are especially susceptible to viruses that can be spread by contact and that some immune systems are very sensitive. Please understand that some may choose not to shake hands during the Exchange of Peace, but might simply greet you with a verbal greeting, a wave, or a smile.*

*The congregation turns and faces the cross as the procession approaches the altar reminding us that Christ leads us into the presence of God.*

✘ PREPARATION ✘

*Please stand*

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

**677** For All the Saints

- 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!
- 3** 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!
- 6** The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7** 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!
- 8** 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!

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## INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

671 Sing with All the Saints in Glory

- 1 Sing with all the saints in glory,  
Sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,  
To the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking;  
Soon the storms of time shall cease;  
In God's likeness we awaken,  
Knowing everlasting peace.
  
- 3 Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices:  
Jesus lives who once was dead.  
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!  
Child of God, lift up your head!  
Life eternal! Oh, what wonders  
Crowd on faith; what joy unknown,  
When, amid earth's closing thunders,  
Saints shall stand before the throne!

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

✘ WORD ✘

FIRST READING

Revelation 7: 9–17

*(The Lamb will be their shepherd; He will guide them to springs of living water and wipe every tear from their eyes.)*

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> And they cried out in a loud voice:

"Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

<sup>11</sup> All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying:

"Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes--who are they, and where did they come from?"

<sup>14</sup> I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> 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 spread his tent over them. <sup>16</sup> Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup> For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

Psalm 149

Pastor: Praise the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the saints.

**People: Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King.**

Pastor: Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with tambourine and harp.

**People: For the LORD takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with salvation.**

Pastor: Let the saints rejoice in this honor and sing for joy on their beds.

**People: May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edged sword in their hands,**

Pastor: to inflict vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,  
**People: to bind their kings with fetters, their nobles with shackles of iron,**

Pastor: to carry out the sentence written against them.

**People: This is the glory of all his saints. Praise the LORD.**

## EPISTLE

1 John 3:1–3

*(Beloved, we are God's children now.)*

<sup>1</sup> How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



## ANTHEM

"Blessed Are They"

Larry L. Fleming

*Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.*

*Refrain:*

*Blessed are they which are called,  
Blessed are they which are called,  
Blessed are they which are called  
To the Marriage Feast of the Lamb.*

*Multitudes, clothed in white robes,  
From ev'ry nation and tongue,  
Stood before God and the Lamb  
At the Marriage Feast of the Lamb.*

*They'll neither hunger nor thirst,  
Death, sorrow, pain vanquished now,  
God wipes all tears from their eyes  
By the Marriage Feast of the Lamb. (refrain)*

*Blessing and honor, they cry,  
Unto the Lamb that was slain,  
Redeeming us with His blood  
In the Marriage Feast of the Lamb.*

*Servant, saint, martyr at rest,  
Sanctified, ransomed, restored,  
Thund'rously sing a new song  
Of the Marriage Feast of the Lamb. (refrain)*

**Congregation:**

**Worthy art Thou, Lamb of God;  
To receive glory and praise!  
Alleluia and Amen!  
For the Marriage Feast of the Lamb. (refrain)**

*Please stand*

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

**People:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 5:1–12

*(Rejoice and be glad, for great is your reward in heaven.)*

<sup>1</sup> Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, <sup>2</sup> and he began to teach them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. <sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. <sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. <sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. <sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. <sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup> "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **HYMN**

**932** Jesus Sat with His Disciples

# PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Sermon Notes:

*Please stand*

## **APOSTLES' 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**

*"For All the Saints"*

setting by David Cherwien

## COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Pastor: On this Day of All Saints, we remember with thanksgiving those of our church family who have gone before us with the sign of faith. They were created by God to offer Him praise forever, redeemed by Jesus, God's Son, and filled with the Holy Spirit through Baptism, where God gave them new life. They have been nourished in the company of His people through the Lord's Supper and the Word, and in His mercy God has summoned them to His presence that they may continue in joyful service to Him forever. We especially remember this day:

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Fred Schroeder     | November 27, 2021 |
| Minnie Hein        | December 1, 2021  |
| George Gray        | December 7, 2021  |
| Shirlene Bower     | February 3, 2022  |
| Philip Hein        | February 7, 2022  |
| Thelma Eigenmann   | March 11, 2022    |
| Barbara Gray       | March 13, 2022    |
| Theresa Miller     | March 19, 2022    |
| Evelyn Seavert     | May 16, 2022      |
| Robert Whiteaker   | May 9, 2022       |
| David Wahlbrink    | June 15, 2022     |
| Ivy Belinda Rogers | September 5, 2022 |
| Lisa Grady         | October 13, 2022  |

Pastor: Blessed are they that die in the Lord from now on, for they will rest from their labors, and their deeds will follow them. (*Revelation 14:13*)  
Let us pray: In joyful expectation for the resurrection of the body to life, we remember before You, O Lord, all those who have gone before us in faith, whom we pause now to name in our hearts. (*Silence*)

We offer thanksgiving for the gift of faith and we hold fast to the certainty of Your promises. May their memory among us be blessed, and may we follow their footsteps of faith to Your eternal presence in the heavenly kingdom.

People: **Amen.**

*Please stand*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

**+ + + Special Intercessions + + +**

**Each concluding:** **Pastor:** Lord, in Your mercy, **People:** hear our prayer.

**Pastor:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People:** **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**

**Pastor:** 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.

**People:** **Amen.**

*Please turn towards the cross as it is carried out of the church, and remain facing it until the hymn is completed. This symbolizes our following Christ into the world as we leave.*

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

**670**    Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

## **POSTLUDE**

“Carillon”

René Vierne

Prepare for next weekend’s worship by reading:

Malachi 4:1-6; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-28

Find a devotional guide on the readings at [www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether](http://www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether)

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## Serving at Chapel

|                         |                          |                   |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Preacher:               | Theodore Laesch          |                   |
| Liturgists:             | 5:00 p.m.                | Clifford Bischoff |
|                         | 8:30 a.m.                | Jacob Anderson    |
|                         | 11:00 a.m.               | Ellory Glenn      |
| Lectors:                | 8:30 a.m.                | Jen Schmidt       |
|                         | 11:00 a.m.               | Audrey Luedtke    |
| Acolytes:               | 8:30 a.m.                | Aniya Cleveland   |
|                         | 11:00 a.m.               | Zoe Laesch        |
| Choirs:                 | Chapel Bells             |                   |
|                         | Choral Singers           |                   |
| Soloist:                | 8:30 a.m.                | Mark Petersen     |
| Directors:              | Jen Schmidt & Ryan Meyer |                   |
| Organist & Accompanist: | Ryan Meyer               |                   |
| Elder of the Week:      | Paul Brameier            |                   |
| Director of the Week:   | Jim Koch                 |                   |

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### Worship and Christian Education

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Worship Service broadcast on KFUE 850 AM Sundays at 4:00 p.m.  
Live internet streaming at [www.chapelofthecross.org](http://www.chapelofthecross.org) Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

*Holy Communion is celebrated the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month at 8:30 a.m.,  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month at 11:00 a.m.,  
and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month at 5:00 p.m.*

Sunday school for children, Sunday Bible classes for adults and youth – 9:45 a.m.

### Chapel Ministry Staff

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### Missions

Chapel of the Cross supports the ministry of the English District and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod as well as the Lutheran High School Association. We also assist the following ministries and organizations:

|                           |                                     |                          |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| *Day 3 Seeds              | *Christian Friends of New Americans | *Food for the Poor       |
| Helping Hands Food Pantry | Concordia Seminary                  | Friend of Moms           |
| Sidewalk Sunday School    | Lutherans for Life                  | KFUE Radio               |
| Chapel Summer Camp        | Apple of His Eye                    | Hope Center for Families |

*\* indicates special emphasis in 2021-2022*

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