



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2024

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF NORTHEAST MINNEAPOLIS

Welcome to worship!** We are a congregation with a long history of loving God and serving our neighbors. **We welcome and celebrate all of you, including race, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, age, and family.

*We welcome you to share fellowship with us in your joys and struggles. If you hunger for a good meal, a bag of groceries, the bread of communion, an opportunity to serve your neighbors, or a welcoming church home, **there is a place for you at Grace!***

✠ When you see this symbol you're invited to stand as you are able.

We love to sing! When music and words are not printed in the bulletin, you can find the song in the red hymnal underneath the chairs at the page number listed.

Children belong in worship! We recognize that children aren't wired to "sit still" for an hour, so we welcome their quiet movement, joyous singing, and encourage their involvement in worship. Children of any age may pick out a book, toy, or art supplies in the Commons for use during the service.

Help love reach beyond these walls. You can give online at gracenempls.org/give or scan the code at the right. You can also place your offering in the plate as you come up for communion (envelopes are on the cart in the Commons).



All are welcome at Jesus' table to receive holy communion. We set the table with wheat bread, gluten-free crackers, white grape juice, and red wine.

Join us for fellowship time! All are invited to stay after worship for coffee, treats, and community connection in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Stay connected to what's happening at Grace: sign up for our weekly online newsletter, "The Scroll." Find the latest editions and the link to subscribe on our home page at gracenempls.org.

Two single-stall and wheelchair-accessible restrooms are just outside the sanctuary in the Commons, and another one is down the hallway across from the gym.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND GREETING

The grace of our savior Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

✠ HYMN

Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In ACS 950



1 Oh, when the saints go march - ing in, oh, when the
 2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the
 3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the
 4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they
 5 And on that hal - le - lu - jah day, and on that



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✠ THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Let us gather with the saints at the river that flows from the throne of God and give thanks for grace splashing over us at the font and in fellowship.

With all the saints of Africa and Asia,
 of Europe and the Americas,
 of Australia, and the islands,
 we praise you, O God, for the waters of baptism.

We praise you, O God!

With Enmegahbowh of the Ojibwe
 and Joseph Renville of the Dakota,
 we praise you, O God,
 for the Mississippi River and Lake Superior,
 for Owámniyomni and Bdóte,
 for waters that reflect the sky.

We praise you, O God!

With Mary, bathing and feeding her child,
and John, baptizing in the Jordan River,
we praise you, O God, for Jesus Christ,
your Son, our Savior, who unites all disciples in this water.

We praise you, O God!

As on believers gathered on the day of Pentecost,
pour out your Spirit, O God.

Calm our troubled hearts.

Quench our thirst for righteousness.

Cool creation's fevered climate.

Place your rainbow of peace over all earth's people.

Come, Holy Spirit!

For grace ever-flowing, we praise you, O God.

And with all who have kept the faith, we say, Amen. **Amen!**

With all born to a living hope, we say, Amen. **Amen!**

With all abiding in your love, yesterday, today, and tomorrow,
we say, Amen. **Amen!**

✠ PEACE

May Christ's grace and peace flow through us to all
God's children. The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

*Please share a sign of peace with others as you are comfortable. When the hymn
of praise begins, you may return to your seats and remain standing.*

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE *Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In*

**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.**

OBJECT LESSON

*Any children who are interested and comfortable are invited to come forward
for a reflection and short prayer. Parents and guardians are welcome too!*

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

All are invited to come forward, light a candle in memory of loved ones who have died, and place photos or mementos amidst the candles. As we remember the saints, the choir will sing and names of our beloved dead will be read aloud.

After the reading of names, you are invited to join in one final refrain of "Lead, Kindly Light."

Lead, kind - ly Light, a - mid the gloom of eve - ning.
Lord, lead me on! Lord, lead me on!
On through the night! On to your ra-diance!
Lead, kind - ly Light! Lead, kind - ly Light!

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain, the LORD of heavenly forces will prepare for all peoples a rich feast, a feast of choice wines, of select foods rich in flavor, of choice wines well refined. God will swallow up on this mountain the veil that is veiling all peoples, the shroud enshrouding all nations. God will swallow up death forever.

The LORD God will wipe tears from every face; God will remove the people's disgrace from off the whole earth, for the LORD has spoken. They will say on that day, "Look! This is our God, for whom we have waited—and the LORD has saved us! This is the LORD, for whom we have waited; let's be glad and rejoice in this salvation!"

This is the word of life.

Thanks be to God.

✠ GOSPEL CHANT *Let us rise to greet the risen Savior in the Gospel*



Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Repeat

✠ GOSPEL READING *selections from John 11*

A reading from the Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

A certain man, Lazarus, was ill. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. So the sisters sent word to Jesus, saying, “Lord, the one whom you love is ill.”

*Listen to the story unfolding:
waiting and weeping, honesty and hope,
love unbound and Lazarus called by name.*

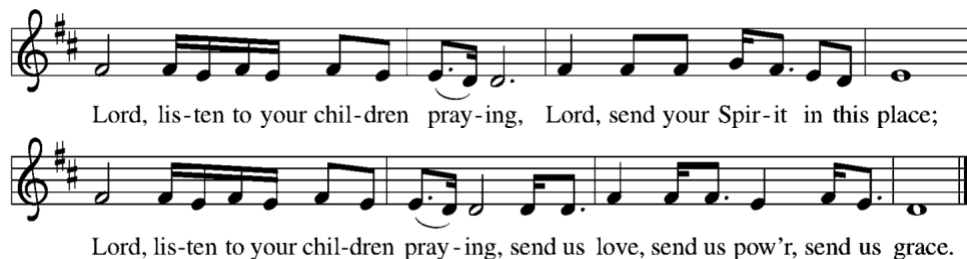
This is the Good News. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

✠ HYMN *Shall We Gather at the River* #423

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE #752

With the boldness of God’s children, let us pray for the planet and all people, trusting the Spirit is working through us to answer our neighbors’ prayers.



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;
Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Grace members invite you to match their generosity and raise \$15,000 for our ministry. Throughout this season of gratitude, we'll hear stories of how this congregation has wrapped people in God's love. Before and after each story, we'll sing a verse of "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."



1 Blest be the tie that binds our lives in Jesus' - love;
2 As hands, with yarn and thread, cre - ate a quilt to share,



such u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
God makes us one and, Spi - rit led, we wrap the world in care.

You can give online at gracenempls.org/give or scan the code at the right. You can also place your offering in the plate as you come up for communion. For each \$500 we raise we'll add a quilt square to our progress board, which our crafting ministry will transform into a beautiful blanket.



✠ COMMUNION: SANCTUS AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

To the Giver of every good and perfect gift,
let us offer thanks through Jesus Christ.
With all creation, let us join heaven's song of unending praise:

Congregation:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



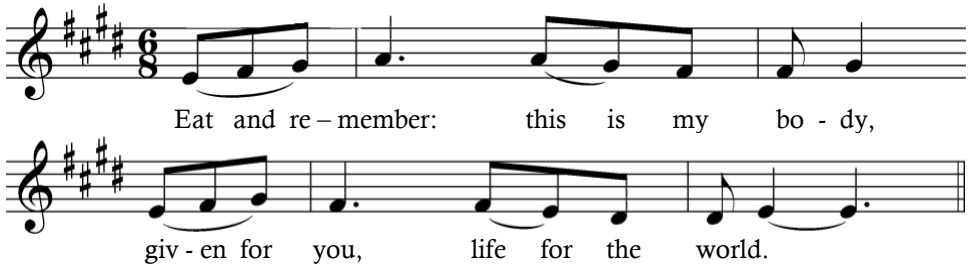
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high-est!

Echo each sung acclamation as you are invited.

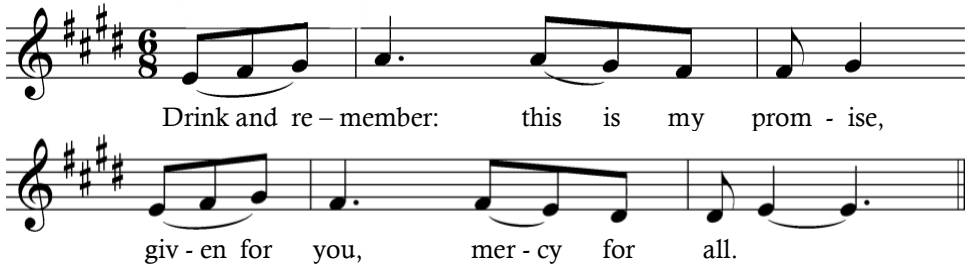
...Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it and shared it with his disciples, saying:



Eat and re - member: this is my bo - dy,

giv - en for you, life for the world.

... Jesus took a cup, gave thanks to you,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:



Drink and re - member: this is my prom - ise,

giv - en for you, mer - cy for all.

In our remembrance and in this meal,
reshape us by your Spirit, O God.
Fill our hearts to overflowing with Christ's life.
Unite us in bearing bread and love and hope to all.



A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

HYMN

Many and Great, O God

#837

When the U.S. government executed thirty-eight Dakota men in Mankato in 1862, the prisoners sang this hymn of salvation on their way to the gallows. Most hymnals only publish the first and last verses of this seven-stanza song; today we sing three more verses, translated by Rev. Sidney H. Byrd (1918-2016) of the Flandreau Santee Sioux.

3. Your will, mysterious and so strong,
brings growth to all the earth.
Food for our souls and clothing to wear
are like your cup that blesses and fills.
Provide for us each day of our lives
sufficient for our needs.
4. Christ, when you came to dwell on the earth,
you brought us all great joy!
The nations scattered over the world,
to them you gave the light of all life.
O Jesus, O Compassionate One,
we offer praise to you.
5. Your sacrament entrusted to us,
Jesus, now share with me.
Your bread of life and drink for our souls,
which you have offered, purify now.
Sanctify minds and bodies to you,
restore us by your love.

✠ POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

Now may the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

Let us pray: **God our table, our food, our server,
we give you thanks for this taste of the new creation.
Keep our hearts tender should we grow weary in love,
and unite us in Christ’s commitment and care. Amen.**

✠ BENEDICTION

based on Romans 15:13

May the God of hope
fill you with all joy and peace in following Jesus,
so that you may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

✠ HYMN

This Little Light of Mine

#677

✠ SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve.
We will. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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serve neighbors, and
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welcoming all.



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