

St. Paul Lutheran Smithville

All Saints Sunday – November 1st, 2026

*Please stand, as able, where marked with an asterisk**

Congregational responses are in bold

Prelude

"It Is Well with My Soul"

by Bliss, arr. Thompson

performed by the Celebration Handbell Choir

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

P: ...whose compassion never sleeps.

C: Amen

P: ... in the presence of God and of one another. Holy God,

C: we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.

We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others.

We are not awake to the coming of your reign.

Wake us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.

P: ...You are forgiven in the name of Christ. Amen.

***Gathering Hymn:**

"Shall We Gather at the River"

ELW 423

***Remembrance of All Saints**

P: ...have been our anchor to the faith and love of Christ.

C: Today we give thanks for all those who have shown us the faith of Christ in their lives.

P: ...each of us who still wait for the culmination of our faith.

C: May the light of their lives be remembered and the joy of salvation be celebrated.

P: ...We will now commemorate those saints who have died in the last year. A bell will be rung for each person whose name was submitted. A candle lit will be in remembrance of those who are held within the hearts of those worshipping with us from their homes, today. Following the final name, you may form a line down the center aisle to light a candle to remember anyone you have loved and lost.

*Diana Carpenter, Tyler Carr, Gary Bumgardner, Fred Schuster,
Anna McGuirk, Janet Gabbard, Kreigh Barnette, David Porr*

****Greeting & Call to Worship***

P: ...and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

A: God is here!

C: All Glory be to God!

A: May the presence of the holy open us to truth.

C: and transform our hearts.

A: Let us listen, learn, and heal.

C: That we would leave here ready to serve in God's name.

A: Let us pray. Almighty God,

C: you have knit your people together in one communion in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you. Amen.

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

R: I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**C: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.**

R: O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together.

**C: I sought the Lord, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.**

R: Look to him, and be radiant,
so your faces shall never be ashamed.

**C: This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord
and was saved from every trouble.**

R: The angel of the Lord encamps around those
who fear him and delivers them.

**C: O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.**

R: O fear the Lord, you his holy ones,
for those who fear him have no want.

**C: The young lions suffer want and hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.**

R: The Lord redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Holy Gospel according to the book of Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel Reading:** Matthew 5:1-12

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon: Pastor Kristy Buyok

Hymn of the Day: "For All the Saints" vs. 1-4 ELW 422

The Apostles' Creed ELW pg. 105

The Prayers

A: ...God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***Sharing of the Peace**

C: And also with you.

Offering: "Spirit, Now Live in Me" Choir
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Offertory Prayer

Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: ...as we offer our unending praise:

C: 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.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed...

P: Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

ELW pg. 112

Communion Hymn:

"I Will Rise"

video

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Communion Hymn

"Heaven Opened to Isaiah"

****Blessing & Benediction***

****Sending Hymn:***

"Bring Forth the Kingdom"

****Dismissal***

A: Go, share the Good News!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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