

# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
... We Are God's People and the Sheep of God's Pasture ...

Psalms 100:3



**November 5<sup>th</sup> – All Saints Sunday**

## **ALL ARE WELCOME AT GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH.**

**God makes no exceptions. In the spirit of Jesus Christ, we offer trust and respect to all, including those who may experience alienation, distrust, or rejection.**

**We rely on the healing, unconditional love of God to shape our community in the name of the Good Shepherd.**

In keeping with our welcome, Good Shepherd is a *Reconciling in Christ* partner congregation, affirming our welcome to persons of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, and our commitment to anti-racism work so that all may participate fully in the life of our congregation. We are an AMMPARO Welcoming Congregation - Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities.

The Good Shepherd buildings are Carbon Neutral/Net Zero Energy use.

**Welcome guests! There is more information for you on the back of the bulletin.**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

From Evangelical Lutheran Worship- ELW (red book in pew)  
and All Creation Sings – ACS (purple book in pew)  
Page numbers (P.) in front of red book and hymn numbers (#) in back of books;  
congregational responses are in **bold**; rise in body or spirit when indicated by \*

### GATHERING

**GATHERING MUSIC:** “Apparition de l'église éternelle” – Olivier Messiaen

**PRAYER BELL - WELCOME – ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*REMEMBERING THE SAINTS**

We remember the great ancestors of our faith,  
from Abraham and Sarah, to Peter and Mary Magdalene:

**For their witness we give you thanks, O God.**

We remember the prophets and pastors,  
servants and teachers who have taught us the way of God:

**For their example we give you thanks, O God.**

We remember all our loved ones who rest now in you:  
those who have gone before us, those who died too soon.

**For their love we give you thanks, O God.**

We remember before you the names of the saints of this congregation who have  
died this year knowing that they are with your heart forever:

Verne Koenig  
Lowell Erdman  
Glenn Nelson

We give you thanks for their lives.

We each remember before you, in our hearts, all the saints most dear to us...  
(silence)

We give you thanks for their lives.

**Comfort us in our grief and strengthen our faith.**

**Hold us in your promise that we will be reunited at the feast that never ends.**

We lift to you the names of those who have been baptized into Jesus Christ, knowing  
that they belong to you as children of the kingdom, and trusting that when you call  
us children of God, that is what we are:

Clara Lee Schroeder  
Dain Archer Townsied  
Jack Kemp Norris

**Uphold them in faith, and nurture your whole church by the power of your Holy Spirit. We give you thanks ... we pray. Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG:** ELW 422 For All the Saints, st.1-2, 6-7 all, st. 3-5 sung by cantor during the hymn you are invited to come forward to light candles for the saints you remember and honor today.



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might; thou,  
*Stanzas 3-5*  
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the  
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; . . .  
 saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray; the  
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host, . . .



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.  
 King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.  
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**\*GREETING:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17** - <sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the

angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.<sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;<sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." - Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 34:1-10, 22**

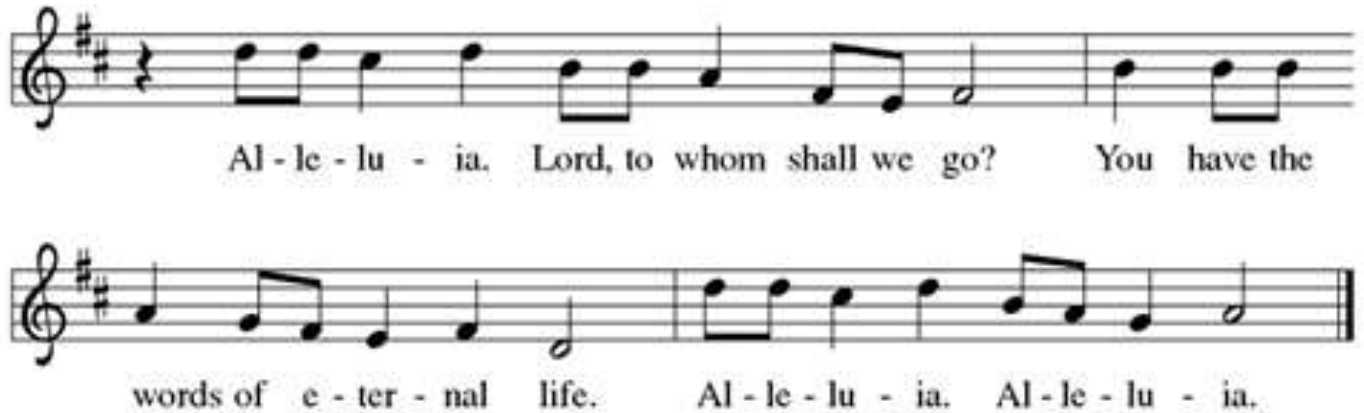
- <sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD<sup>1</sup> at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be <sup>1</sup> in my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup>**I will glory <sup>1</sup> in the LORD;**  
**let the lowly hear <sup>1</sup> and rejoice.**
- <sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness <sup>1</sup> of the LORD;  
let us exalt God's <sup>1</sup> name together.
- <sup>4</sup>**I sought the LORD, who <sup>1</sup> answered me**  
**and delivered me from <sup>1</sup> all my terrors.**
- <sup>5</sup>Look upon the LORD<sup>1</sup> and be radiant,  
and let not your faces <sup>1</sup> be ashamed.
- <sup>6</sup>**I called in my affliction, and <sup>1</sup> the LORD heard me**  
**and saved me from <sup>1</sup> all my troubles.**
- <sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who <sup>1</sup> fear the LORD  
AND DE- <sup>1</sup> livers them.
- <sup>8</sup>**Taste and see that the <sup>1</sup> LORD is good;**  
**happy are they who take ref- <sup>1</sup> uge in God!**
- <sup>9</sup>Fear the LORD, you saints <sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
for those who fear the <sup>1</sup> LORD lack nothing.
- <sup>10</sup>**The lions are in want and <sup>1</sup> suffer hunger,**  
**but those who seek the LORD lack nothing <sup>1</sup> that is good.**
- <sup>22</sup>**O LORD, you redeem the life <sup>1</sup> of your servants,**  
**and those who put their trust in you will <sup>1</sup> not be punished.**

## SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given 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>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. -Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



### \*GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

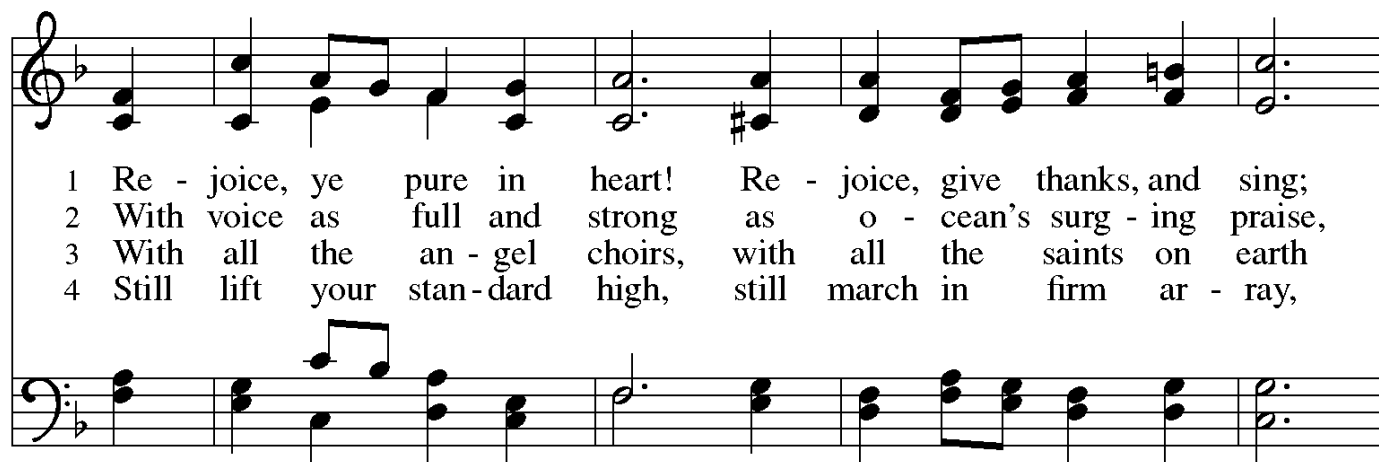
The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught 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 receive 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 children of God. <sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 873 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart**



1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing;  
 2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,  
 3 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints on earth  
 4 Still lift your stan - dard high, still march in firm ar - ray,



your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.  
 send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.  
 pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
 as pil - grims through the dark - ness wend till dawns the gol - den day.

*Refrain*



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

Re - joice! Re - joice!

5 At last the march shall end;  
 the wearied ones shall rest;  
 the pilgrims find their home at last,  
 Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*

6 Praise God who reigns on high,  
 the Lord whom we adore:  
 the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,  
 one God forevermore. *Refrain*

## \*APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:** *Each petition ends...* Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great**

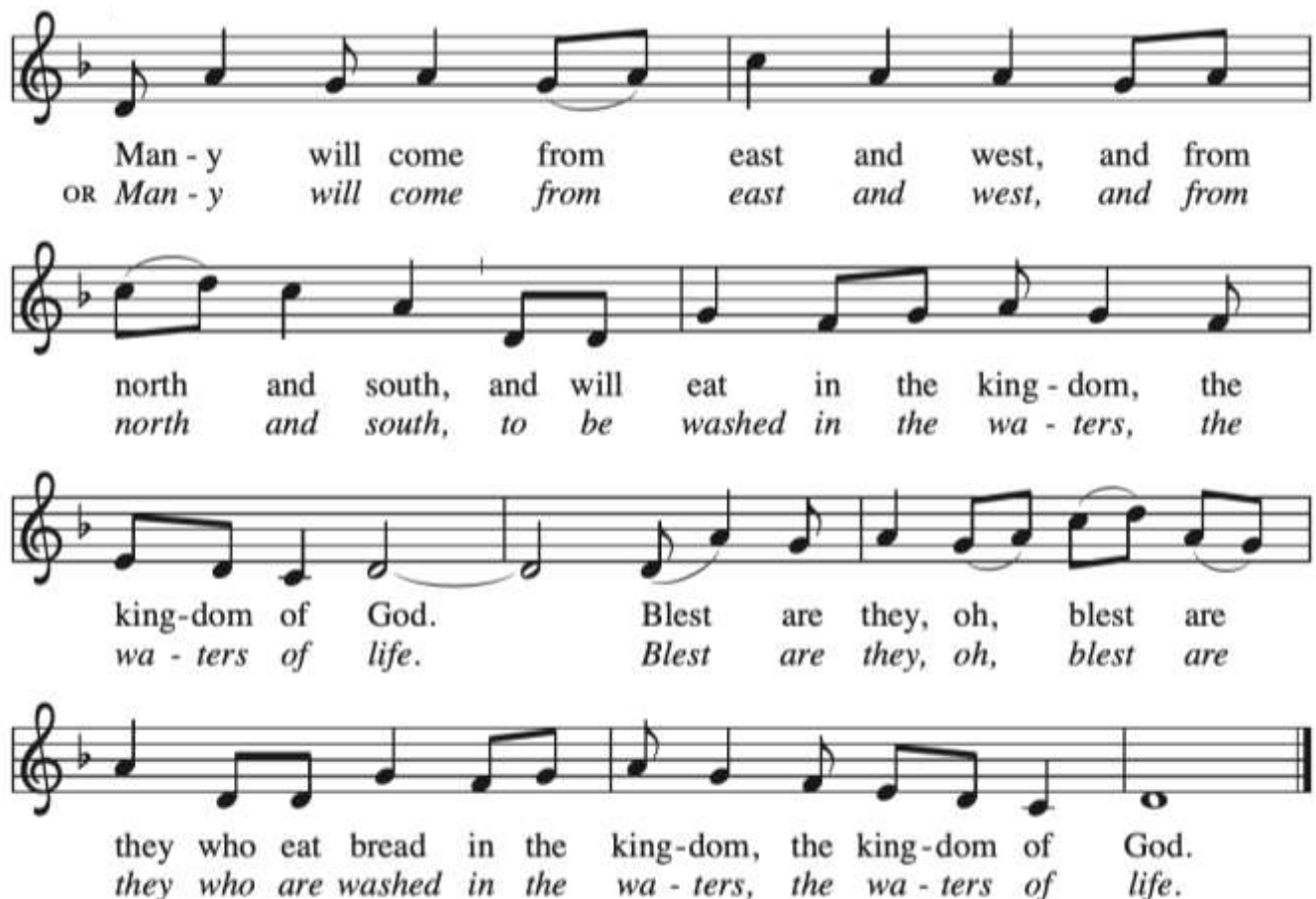
**\*PEACE:** The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*We share peace by waving to those worshipping online or through the public access channel and then with those in the sanctuary. Bows, signs, fist bumps, handshakes, are all honored!*

## MEAL

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** "The Life That's In You" – Joe Mailander

**\*OFFERTORY SONG:** ACS 982 Many Will Come option 1



Man - y will come from east and west, and from  
OR Man - y will come from east and west, and from

north and south, and will eat in the king - dom, the  
north and south, to be washed in the wa - ters, the

king-dom of God. Blest are they, oh, blest are  
wa - ters of life. Blest are they, oh, blest are

they who eat bread in the king-dom, the king-dom of God.  
they who are washed in the wa - ters, the wa - ters of life.

**\*OFFERING PRAYER:** Let us pray...Amen.

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING-HOLY P. 172-173**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

Holy God, ...with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

...into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

...with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

...Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again...**

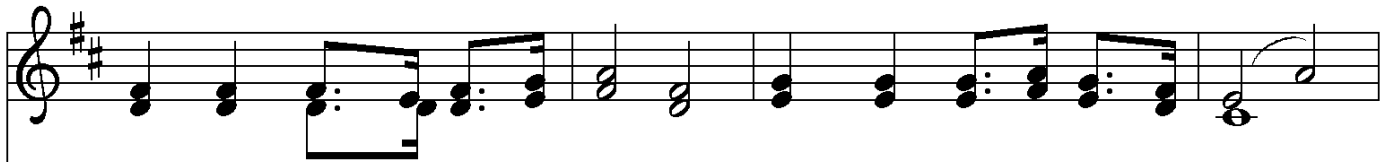
**\*LORD'S PRAYER: P. 173** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** *All are welcome at Christ's table. Ushers will direct you out of your pew, up the aisle near parking lot and to the altar rail where you can hold out your hands to receive gluten and dairy free bread. The plate of cups will then be offered for you to select wine or grape juice. If you prefer a blessing, indicate by placing your hands in front of your heart. If you need an individual, pre-packaged serving of bread and wine, please request that of your server. Place wine/juice cups in the basket by the altar as you return to your pew.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS:** p. 174 Lamb of God, ELW 423 Shall We Gather at the River, ACS 950 Oh When the Saints Go Marching In



# Shall We Gather at the River



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,  
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,  
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;  
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;



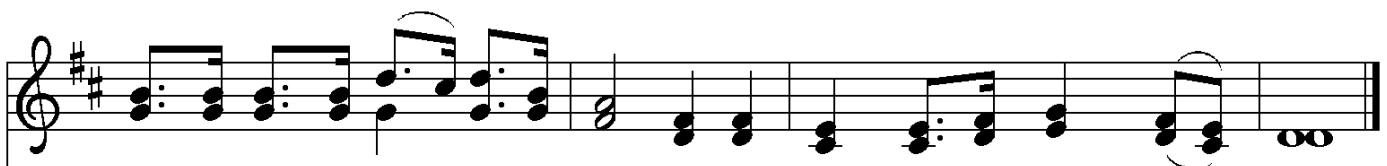
with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?  
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.  
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.  
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.



## *Refrain*



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



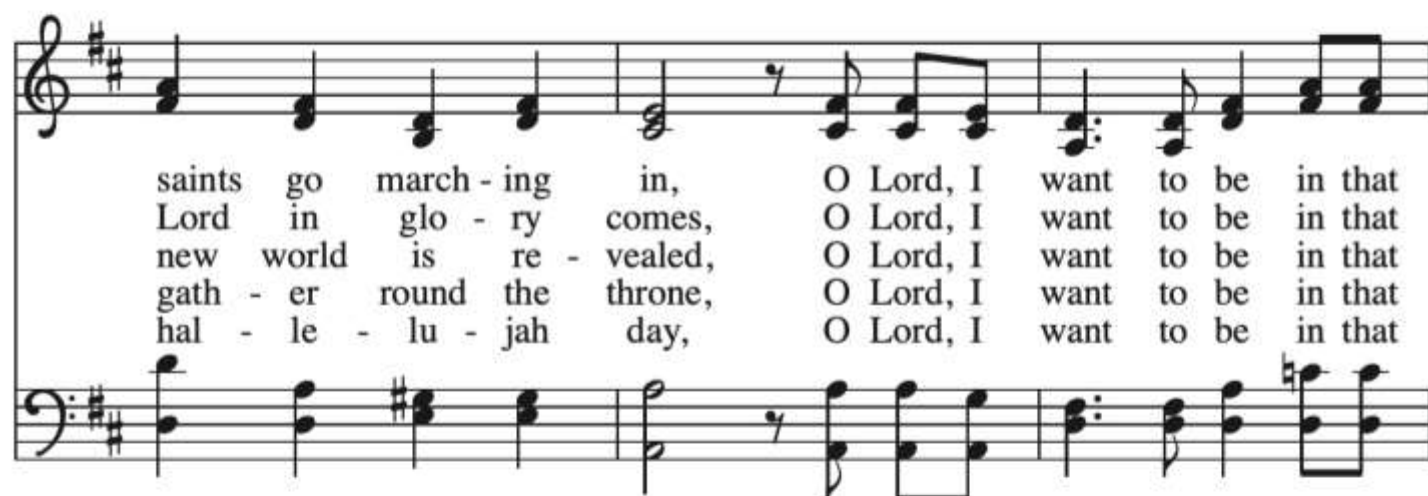
gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.



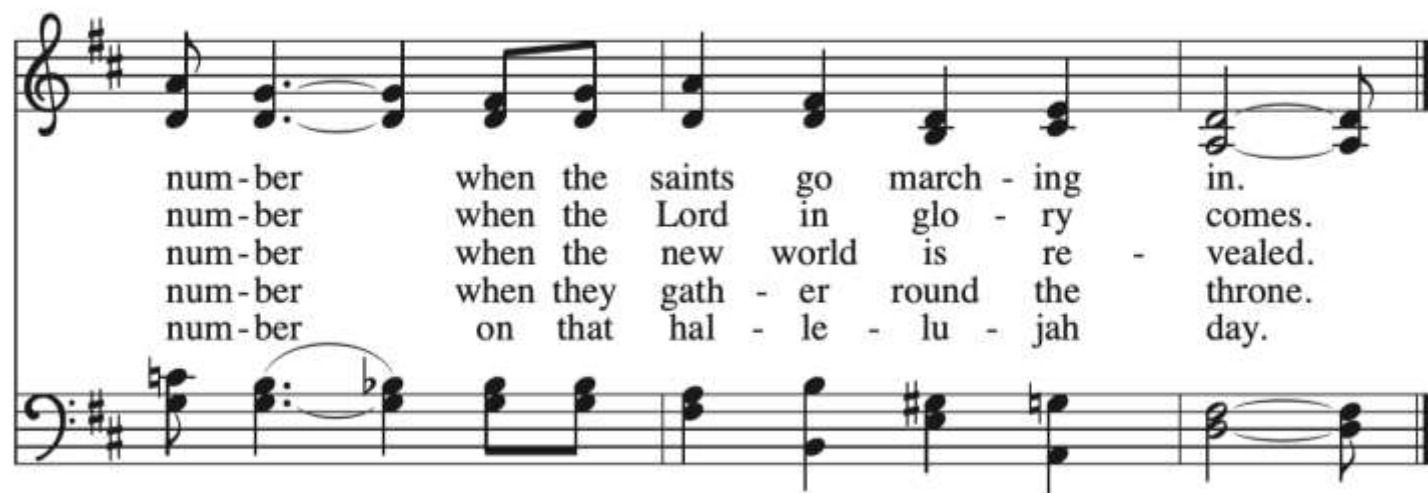
# Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In



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



saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that  
 Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that  
 new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that  
 gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that  
 hal - le - lu - jah day, O Lord, I want to be in that



num - ber when the saints go march - ing in.  
 num - ber when the Lord in glo - ry comes.  
 num - ber when the new world is re - vealed.  
 num - ber when they gath - er round the throne.  
 num - ber on that hal - le - lu - jah day.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version

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## **TABLE BLESSING - PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION - SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LIVING STONES TEMPLE TALK** *Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house. 1 Peter 2:5*

**\*BLESSING- SENDING SONG:** ELW 426 Sing with All the Saints in Glory

**\*DISMISSAL:** Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

**PRAYER BELL – POSTLUDE:** “Nimrod” – Edward Elgar

*The postlude sends us out for service in the world. Feel free to use this time in any way that helps to send you out!*  
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**TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP AND HOSPITALITY** – USHERS: Sandhya Caton, Bob Naslund; GREETER: Rachael & Aaron Palmer; CANTOR: Nicholas Shaneyfelt; READER: Brian Caton; ASSISTING MINISTER: Jane Borelli; FELLOWSHIP: Bev Sheridan, Randi Spencer Berg, Ann & Bob Naslund, the Nalean-Carlson family, Donna Bahr, Cheryl Donlon, Charilyn Hover, and Harriet Hayes.; ORGANIST & PIANIST: Brooke Joyce; PREACHER & PRESIDER: Pr. Amy Zalk Larson

**Thanks to Joe Mailander of the band “Okee Dokee Brothers”** for playing during worship. Joe has been worshipping with Good Shepherd this fall and is grateful to get to offer music here!

**GOOD SHEPHERD INFORMATION MEETING:** Interested in becoming a member or learning more about Good Shepherd Lutheran Church? Pr. Amy will be leading an informational meeting at 11am TODAY in the sanctuary. This is an informal gathering designed to give you a chance to get to know more about Good Shepherd and to ask any questions that you might have. Recent new members, if you weren't able to attend a session before you joined, you are most welcome today!

- **We will welcome NEW MEMBERS on SUNDAY, November 19<sup>th</sup> during worship.**

**TODAY IS THE FINAL DAY FOR IMPACT COFFEE SALES** to support the youth & leaders attending the ELCA Youth Gathering! Find the table in the Gathering Space and buy some coffee today!

- Coffee pick up is Sunday, November 12 and Sunday, November 19 in the Fellowship Hall.

**FELLOWSHIP LETTER WRITING:** The Social Justice team will provide an opportunity to write to President Biden, Secretary of State Antony Blinken, and our legislators in Congress to advocate for a ceasefire in the war in Israel and Palestine, as ELCA Presiding Bishop Reverend Elizabeth Eaton has done. Computers will be available for nearly instant contact as well as sample messages and addresses for those preferring to write by hand. The Team will be using the ELCA Action Alert template available to everyone online.

**STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2024:** Living Stones: Building Up Our Spiritual House: **Next Sunday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>**, is Stewardship Sunday. We will place our intents for financial giving in 2024 at the altar. Please bring your intents next Sunday or make an intent online at [\*\*goodshepherddecorah.org/intent\*\*](https://goodshepherddecorah.org/intent)

**The Nominating Committee** has begun the happy task of inviting members of the congregation to participate in the work of the church. Please pray for us, as we imagine the future leadership of our congregation. And if you have a suggestion for us, or if you seek to engage your own time and talent, please reach out to us: Tim Lecander, Marty Steele, Matt Tapscott, Lise Kildegaard, Kris Peterson, and Pastor Amy.

**BLESSING FOR THOSE WHO PROVIDE FOOD:** SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 -Each month in worship, Good Shepherd offers blessings for the vocations or callings we have in the larger world. This month we will bless all who provide food through their work, business, and/or volunteer service as well as those retired from such vocations. You will simply be invited to stand and receive a blessing. If you can't be there that morning, know that our congregation is praying for you and is grateful for how you do God's work in the world! Feel free to invite others to be blessed!

**NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPER SIGN-UP SYSTEM:** Each Sunday we are in need of 2 additional adults present to be a helpful presence to the Sunday School Teachers (Kelli & Laurie). To help fill this need, we are requesting all parents of youth and interested congregation members to be helpers 1-2 times a "quarter". Each quarter Erica will send an email requesting dates you are available. She will then make a schedule of helpers based on availability and send that out for you to save the dates you're listed to help.

- **If you are interested in being a helper 1-2 times a quarter, please let Erica know and she will send you more information.**
- Helpers are **not** leading or in charge of Sunday School - they are just a helpful, positive adult presence in the group of youth. 😊 This is a wonderful way to engage with and witness the joy of children and faith formation!

**"EXPLORING GOD'S WORD TOGETHER" CLASS FOR 3rd-6th GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS** – Next **Sunday, November 12, 10:45 - 11:45 A.M. in the Sanctuary.** All 3rd-6th graders and their parents/caregivers are invited to a special class "Exploring God's Word Together" with Pastor Amy. The class will allow kids and parents/caregivers to explore the Bible together. On **Sunday, November 19**, Good Shepherd will help you keep one of your baptismal promises by giving you a Bible to place in your child's hand. All parents or caregivers of children in 3rd-6th grade will present a Bible to their child during worship. If you can't be there on November 19, you will still receive a Bible to present to your child.

**NORTHERN LIGHTS WOMEN'S CHORUS:** The Northern Lights Women's Chorus will present its fall **concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, November 19 at Decorah Lutheran Church.** The 50-member ensemble, composed of singers from Decorah and surrounding communities, will perform a variety of beautiful choral music with the theme "The Love of Bare November Days." Many Good Shepherd members are in the choir – see the ensembles photo & poster on the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall.

**INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE DEPOT OUTLET BOARD OF DIRECTORS?** At the end of 2023, three vacancies will be open on The Depot Outlet Board of Directors, including the seat currently held by Good Shepherd member Jim Buzza. If you have any interest in learning more about this important opportunity to serve, contact Jim at **319-541-8309**. He must turn in names of prospective candidates at the Board's next meeting on November 14.

**STEPHANIE HOFF'S REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE:** Our member Stephanie has Stage 5 chronic kidney disease, is now on dialysis, and is still hoping for a kidney transplant. Information about Stephanie and living kidney donation is available at [goodshepherddecorah.org/mystory](http://goodshepherddecorah.org/mystory)

**OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:** Tristan: 9:00-12:00 PM M-F. Erica: 10-5:00 PM Monday-Tuesday

### **PRAYER LIST:**

**Good Shepherd Family:** Sue and Mike Blair (as they grieve Sue's mother Joanne Dornbush), LaVerne Ramsey, Lisa Zittergruen, Natalie Buddenberg, Dan Raney and family, Ingrid Callaghan, Ginny Olson, Kerry Johnson, the family of Glenn Nelson (as they grieve Glenn and Ann Hovde Nelson), the Yaneff family, Donna Bahr, Helen Hermeier, James Barth, Marion Hanson, Stephanie Hoff, Ed Hover, Harland Nelson, Janet Gall, Jutta Anderson, all residents and staff at Aase Haugen, Eastern Star, Wellington Place, Mosaic Homes, and Bartels Lutheran Retirement Community, and those preparing for public ministry: Kathryn Thompson and Kristin Kopperud-Stinn

**Relatives and Friends:** Sid Sampson (brother-in-law of Marty Steele), Miriam Plautz (aunt of Melanie Folkerts), Steve Schwab (brother-in-law of Lyle Otte), Michael Naslund (son of Ann and Bob Naslund), Arlene Lecander (mother of Tim Lecander), Lily Laursen (granddaughter of Reg & Jeri Laursen), Josh Flora (nephew of Melanie & Tim Folkerts), Bobby Lambert (step-nephew of Melanie & Tim Folkerts), Bob Fahrenkrug (grandfather of Sarah Wicks), the family of Amber Einck (friend of Jane Borelli), Maryn Olson (daughter of Ginny Olson), Noi Tran (Kim Kavan's mother), Karen & John Silseth (brother and sister in law of Kris Peterson), Frank Barth (James Barth's Brother), Sylvia Clisham (member of the Prayer Shawl Ministry), Richard Caton (Brian's father), Sarah Jane, Nathaniel Judisch (son of Dave and Gail), Robin Darland (Friend of Erik Berg), Dennis Martin (brother-in-law of the Slinds), Nathan Scheuerelein (grandson of Bonnie Flora), Lynzee Makowski (friend of Laurie Biedermann), Todd Hove (son of Gloria Hove), Aaron Buzzza (son of Jim and Kathy), Marilyn Walli (Cousin of Marv Slind), Marian Brynsaas (sister of LaVerne Ramsey), Mary Beth & Bayo Oyebade and the Mashiah Foundation in Jos, Nigeria, and our Companion Synod in Hungary

**A JEWISH PRAYER FOR GAZA:** This prayer was shared with us by a Jewish friend of a Good Shepherd member. It was created by the group, Jews for Racial and Economic Justice. It is a prayer for these desperate times. Please recite this prayer when you need it, as feels meaningful to you:

*Blessed are You God who sets captives free.  
May the One who frees the bound,  
deliver each Israeli hostage to freedom.  
Deliver each child and elder home.*

*May the One who frees the imprisoned,  
bring an end to the siege on Gaza,  
where there is nowhere to hide as bombs rain down.*

*From the depths,  
we cry out to You,  
We seek Your comfort as we mourn.  
God, let no one use the deaths of our people  
to keep water from children in Gaza.*

*May the Source of Life  
help us fight for life.  
May the God of Mercy  
be with each family as they mourn.*



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**WELCOME TO ALL GUESTS and especially to Luther Students!** It is a joy to worship with you. You are welcome to enjoy really great coffee, juice, treats, and conversation down the hall after worship – follow the crowd. Sit anywhere!

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO SHARE IN HOLY COMMUNION.** It is Christ's table and Christ is the host. Instructions are included in the communion section of the Order of Worship.

**THE PRESENCE, ENERGY, AND NOISE OF CHILDREN ARE MOST WELCOME HERE.**

The sound of a child in worship is the sound of a new Christian being formed. This congregation is glad to share in this work. We welcome and encourage kids to move and play. A nursery with toys and activity bags are available. Mothers are welcome to nurse anywhere that works for you and your child. An Infant Feeding Chair is available in the music office (hallway outside of sanctuary) for more privacy if desired.

**RACIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT:** This Statement was the annual meeting of the congregation on February was developed through the work of the Racial Justice held listening sessions with the congregation. A portion Statement is printed here each week. Find the full statement at



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***We publicly declare that we will actively pursue racial justice in all aspects of our congregational life and make changes to adopt antiracist policies and practices around worship, education, advocacy, stewardship, governance, and through our community partnerships and relationships. (Ephesians 2: 14-15, Isaiah 56: 6)***