OUR FATHER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH **NOVEMBER 1, 2026**

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

WELCOME TO OFLC!

We are pleased that you decided to join us in worship this morning. We hope you'll feel at home here, and God's presence!

All hymns are in the red hymnal in the pew in front of you, or under your pew seat. You can find them using the number next to the hymn in the Order of Service.

The **bold** text indicates parts of the service where the whole congregation is invited to speak together.

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WELCOME

PRELUDE (Bell Choir)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth. **Amen.**

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

(*Silence is kept for reflection.)*

Compassionate God, **we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Hear this good news: We have peace through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG – For All Your Saints, O Lord **#427 (vs 1-3)**
(Please rise in body or spirit)

Pastor: 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: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children may leave for Sunday School

FIRST READING – Revelation 7:9-17 **Pg 999**
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING – 1 John 3:1-3 **Pg 990**
Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand as able) **#174**
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

GOSPEL – Matthew 5:1-12 **Pg 785**
The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY – Open The Eyes Of My Heart
(Please rise in body or spirit)

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You. I want to see You.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You. I want to see You.

To see You high and lifted up - shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love as we sing Holy, Holy, Holy!

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You. I want to see You.

To see You high and lifted up - shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love as we sing Holy, Holy, Holy!

Holy, holy, holy! Holy, holy, holy! Holy, holy, holy! I want to see you.
Holy, holy, holy! Holy, holy, holy! Holy, holy, holy! I want to see you.

APOSTLES' 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
Worship Assistant: Let us pray for the world, creation, and all people.
A: God, in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

Worship Assistant: We now pray for all those we care about. Let us name them now.
People may offer prayers aloud or silently at this time.

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, who is our comfort, our peace, and our Savior. **Amen.**

REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

Carolyn Miske	**Dorothy Bohneman**	**John Blodgett**
Myron Neilson	**Kris Pepin**	

SHARING OF THE PEACE
P. The peace of Christ be with you always. **C. And also with you.**

GATHERING OF OFFERINGS
You may give this morning by placing your offering into the plates as they are passed, using your Vanco or Breeze account, or by clicking on this QR code. For more information, please contact the church office.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE (Please rise in body or spirit)
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. We are an offering.

A: Let us pray. **Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts; ourselves, our time and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The table is the Lord's and you are welcome to it! As we gather for this holy meal, Christ comes to be present with us in the bread and wine, and we experience God's grace in a real and powerful way! If you do not wish to receive communion, or if you feel your child is not yet ready to receive communion, you are welcome to come to the communion rail to receive a blessing. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please tell an usher and communion will be brought to you.

LAMB OF GOD #195

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world. Grant us peace. Grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN – Jesus, We Remember You Tammy Jarvi

COMMUNION BLESSING

COMMUNION PRAYER

A: **We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN – For All Your Saints, O Lord #427 (vs 4-5)
(Please rise in body or spirit)

SENDING Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**