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**ALL SAINTS' DAY**

**Sunday, November 7, 2021**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALL SAINTS' LITANY**

Holy God, meet us here in this place as we mourn those who have died in the last year and this year: sons and daughters, mothers and fathers, siblings and grandparents, husbands and wives, partners and friends:

*Miriam "Dolly" Aurand*

*Donald Musser*

*Laurin Slaybaugh*

*Steve Aucker*

*William Fausey*

*Howard Spigelmyer*

*Paul Kuhn, Jr.*

*Sandra Hackenburg  
Marvine E. Musser  
John W. Stauffer, Jr.  
Jean E. Musser  
William "Billy" Stahl  
Ira H. Lessman  
Dorothy Whitmer  
Orpha Yoder*

at the same time celebrating new birth among us: children and grandchildren, siblings and friends:

*Sawyer Lynn Dempsey  
Leighton Rose Klingler*

*Parker William Maurer  
Saylor Leigh Carl*

Parents, Children, Siblings and Partners who died this year, Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews born this year.

Holy God of wind and fire; **Dance through this room today.**

Holy God of earthquakes and illness; **Share our tears of sadness and pain.**

Holy God of creation and new beginnings; **Show us again your vision of healing and wholeness.**

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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. **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.**

## **FIRST READING: Isaiah 25: 6-9**

The First Reading is from the 25<sup>th</sup> chapter of Isaiah.

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. <sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; <sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. <sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 24** (Please read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>2</sup>**For the Lord has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.**

<sup>3</sup>Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord, and who may stand in God's holy place?

<sup>4</sup>**Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.**

<sup>5</sup>They shall receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

<sup>6</sup>**Such is the generation of those who seek you, O Lord, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

<sup>7</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever-lasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>8</sup>**Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!**

<sup>9</sup>Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever-lasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

<sup>10</sup>**Who is this King of glory? Truly, the Lord of hosts is the King of glory.**

**SECOND READING: Revelation 21: 1-6a**

The Second Reading is from the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter of Revelation.

<sup>1</sup>I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; <sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." <sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6a</sup>Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL: John 11: 32-44**

The Gospel according to St. John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

## THE CHILDRENS' SERMON

### THE SERMON

#### HYMN: *For All The Saints*

For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
All who. By faith before the world confessed,  
Your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

You were their rock, their fortress and their might,  
You, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
You, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Oh, may your 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!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
And hearts are brave again and arms are strong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors come their rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

### THE 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.**  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**  
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**  
**He descended into hell.**  
**On the third day he rose again.**  
**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again 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**

Response to: "Hear us, O Lord" . . . . . **Your mercy is great.**

## **THE 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.**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

We celebrate the presence of God in bread and wine. All are welcome to receive this gift.

## **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

## **HYMN: *For the Fruit of All Creation***

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

For these gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping,

Silent growth while we are sleeping,

Future needs in earth's safe-keeping,

Thanks be to God.

## **SENDING**

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

## **POSTLUDE**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to the current COVID situation in our area, **everyone is asked to wear a mask and observe social distancing**. The Service is also available in the basement via video stream.

Today we are observing **All Saints' Day**. Since COVID prevented us from gathering as we would have wished, we will be remembering and honoring the memory of those who entered eternal life during the last 2-years.

Reading today's lessons is Donna Moyer.

**Adult Sunday School** began **TODAY!** We will gather from **9:30 – 10:00 am every Sunday** in the basement of the church. Join us as we open the Scriptures and learn with and from one another!

**College Care Packages:** Salem has 6 young adults attending college this year. We want to let them know their Salem Family is thinking about them and praying for them. Due to the increasing high cost of shipping packages, it is most cost-efficient to send them gift cards inside notes of encouragement. **Please drop a monetary donation** in the *Support our College Students* containers on the sound system and table at the back of the sanctuary **as soon as possible**. Our college students are: Danielle Alba, Jessica Alba, Maegan Bogetti, Nathan Moyer, Ryan Moyer and Jordyn Nichols. **PLEASE support our College Students!**

**Thank You** to everyone who supported the *Christmas-At-Sea* program. Members of Salem Church donated 17 bags. These bags will be greatly appreciated by the seafarers who receive them this Christmas.

**Special Thanks** to Gabriel Schaeffer for keeping the church lawn mowed, trimmed and looking neat all summer. Thank You, Gabe, for a job well done!

**Salem Council Meeting** will be held **TOMORROW, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** in the church basement and via *Zoom*.

**Prayer Meeting** will be held **this Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm**.



Christmas is fast approaching and **Weis Markets Gift Cards** make great gifts!. The cards **are always available** by contacting Debbie & Ricky Bower or Linda Carl and **all proceeds benefit Salem Church!** Cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations, they never expire and **can be used at all Weis Markets stores** for groceries, gas and prescriptions. See Debbie, Ricky or Linda today!

SACC is providing **Thanksgiving Food Baskets** for families in need in our area. If you know a family who will benefit from receiving a food basket for Thanksgiving, please contact **Judy Kuhn (jkuhn@ptd.net)** with the following information: name, address, phone number, number in family and names & ages of children. **The deadline is THIS WEDNESDAY, November 10<sup>th</sup>.**

During November, we will be collecting personal care items for Snyder County Children & Youth's Holiday distribution program. **They will need: soap, baby shampoo, toothbrushes (child-sized), toothpaste and Chapstick.** Please bring your donations to the church by November 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for supporting this important program!

A **Congregational Meeting** will be held on Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> to present the proposed 2022 Budget.



**The “Star Tree” will be coming!** The Ladies’ WELCA Group will be putting up their “Star Tree” this year in support of 2 local families in need. The childrens’ ages, sizes and “wishes” will be listed on each star. Choose a star, purchase a gift and help make this Christmas a little brighter for a less-fortunate child.

### **Upcoming Spring Service Project!**

We will be in need of **5-gallon buckets with lids.** If you have access to empty buckets through work or a hobby, please save them for us! Watch future bulletins and newsletters for more information on this Service Project that will be coming in the Spring!

