

ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

118 State Street ♦ Harrisburg, Pennsylvania



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
November 6, 2011

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

God of the ages, your saints who lived in faithful service surround your throne and offer you praise and worship both night and day. May we, your saints on earth, join our voices with theirs to proclaim your rule of righteousness and peace, which comes to us through Jesus Christ now and forever. Amen.

Sovereign God, you have blessed us in many ways. Our eyes are most often drawn to material blessings. But it has been through people that you have often blessed us most richly. For every person who has drawn us closer to you or led us to the fulfillment of your will, we offer our thanks. Amen.

WORSHIP NOTES

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

Persons with impairments - St. Michael offers to those with any type of hearing difficulty a small, remote personal speaker which provides the user an amplified, high quality audio of the entire service. We invite our guests who may have the need for such an accommodation to ask an usher for a personal speaker. (They are available upon entering the Nave.) We welcome any comments concerning St. Michael's efforts to accommodate persons with impairments or disabilities.

We extend a welcome to all who worship with us this morning. We invite you to join us in Fellowship Hall after Evening Prayer for refreshments.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister
Director of Music
Assisting Minister
Cantor
Eucharistic Minister
Acolytes and Torchbearers
Lector and Bookbearer
Thurifer
Greeters
Ushers
Altar Guild
Offering Counters

The Reverend Larry Hawkins
Daniel W. Deitzel III
Elizabeth Parker
Sue Will
Floyd Eberly
Will Hawkins and Eric Smith
Ken Umbenhauer
Isaac Hawkins
Lisa Kratzer and Dan Tosheff
Ron Hartzell and Jake Stone
John and Susan Wesley
Mike Ennis and Sue McDonald

Order forms for Christmas wreaths to decorate your home; and poinsettias, wreaths and roping to decorate the church are available on the tables in the narthex, and, in Fellowship Hall.

2012 Sponsorship Charts for Altar Flowers, Bulletins, and Fellowship Hour are on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Sign up now to get the dates you want.

Altar flowers are sponsored to the Glory of God by Sue McDonald and Chris Persson.

Bulletins are sponsored to the Glory of God and in honor of Ken's birthday by Pat Harm.

Fellowship hour is sponsored to the Glory of God by Sue McDonald and Chris Persson.

FESTIVAL SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

+++GATHERING+++

PRELUDE *Alleluia! Song of Gladness* arr. by Robert Powell

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives our sin, heals every illness, saves us from death, enfolds us with tender care, and crowns us with steadfast love.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of abundant mercy,

we confess that we are more ready to be forgiven than to forgive others. We hold too closely your gifts to us. We trample your vineyard, our good earth. Have mercy, O God; turn us again to you and toward others; and grant that we may live for you and die in you, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

God is generous and faithful, forgiving sins without number, welcoming all to the feast, giving us a place among the saints. Through the humble obedience of + Christ Jesus, who went to the cross for our sake, you are forgiven and made whole. The Spirit of God is at work in you, enabling you to live for one another.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *For All the Saints* ELW 422

GREETING

Grace and peace from our God and Father, hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, and the consolation of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



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God's work. Our hands.

KYRIE

Sung in Unison

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
 hun-gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam-i-ly; for
 wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,
 life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Thanksgiving Food Collection for Loaves Of Love—Loaves of Love has requested cake mixes and prepared icing for their clients to help make Thanksgiving Day Dinner complete. Ministry to Society's hope is to collect 60 box cake mixes (any flavor) and 60 cartons of prepared icing. The cake mixes and icing are two food items that the Central PA Food Pantry does not supply to Loaves of Love. For more information please see the article in November's *Archangel*.

'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in'... 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' (Matt 25:35, 40 New International Version) One way to fulfill what Jesus calls us to do, is simply having our doors open for Helping Hands Ministries every Sunday and Wednesday afternoon from 4:00 – 6:00 as a hot meal is served to “the homeless, the downtrodden, and other needy people.” Two members are asked to be present. To volunteer, place your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please speak with Mike Ennis or Lindsay Mills if you have any questions or concerns regarding this congregational ministry. Thank you.

The annual Harrisburg Holiday Parade is back on! And so is our Open House!! Join us on Saturday, November 19, as we welcome parade-goers to our neighborhood during our annual event. Volunteers are needed on the day of the parade to serve free food, hand out flyers, and sell our delicious Christmas Patties. Please see Elizabeth Benion or Lindsay Mills to volunteer your time, talent, and treasure. Yes, monetary donations to cover the cost of the food are greatly appreciated!

In appreciation for the generosity of St. Michael members, family and friends, the Ministry to Society Committee has arranged to use monies from the Kuhnert Fund to purchase 50 tickets for the Saturday December 3rd matinee performance of “The Gospel According to Scrooge” at the Christian Life Assembly. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Deadline is November 20. For more information, see the article in the November issue of *The Archangel*, or contact Cheryl Smith at 657-3554 or 773-5643.

Order forms for Christmas Patties are available in Fellowship Hall. Please note that the size and cost of the candy has increased this year. Patties are now \$1.00 each. The deadline to place orders is December 11. If you would like to help make candy, contact Lindsay Mills, or, come to the church Monday through Wednesday from 8:30—11:00 a.m.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Humperdinck-L-Ettes	Today at 1:00 p.m.
Helping Hands	Today at 4:00 p.m.
Candy Making	Monday at 8:30 a.m.
Election Day Soup and Bake Sale	Tuesday at 7:00 a.m.
Worship and Music Committee	Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Candy Making	Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.
Helping Hands	Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Deadline for Worship Assistants Requests	Thursday
<i>Soul Food</i> —Family Promise	Next Sunday at 11:30 a.m.
Helping Hands	Next Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

By water and the Spirit we are baptized into the body of Christ and made members of his church. We remember and rejoice with those who celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week: Lisa Spiegel on November 8 and Ed Smith on November 9.

Readings for the *Twenty-eighth Sunday after Pentecost, November 13*, are:

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
 Psalm 90:1-8[9-11]12
 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
 Matthew 25:14-30

Thank you to all who stayed and enjoyed the pork and sauerkraut last Sunday during our annual Reformation Luncheon. As of last week, \$311 was received in the freewill offering. There is still time to donate! Envelopes are available on the alms box in Fellowship Hall. 100% of proceeds received are going to Downtown Daily Bread!

It started yesterday, but continues through Saturday, November 12! The Ministry to Society Committee joins the Property Committee in expanding our workday opportunities. Besides the usual projects around the church, some of our congregation members could use some help with yard work. If you have any questions, or would like to help, contact John and Susan Wesley.

The Annual Election Day Soup and Bake Sale will take place this Tuesday, November 8. Each election day the voters look forward to purchasing our culinary delights. Please sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall, or contact Lindsay Mills if you can contribute to this fundraiser. Soup containers are available for you to use.

HYMN OF PRAISE

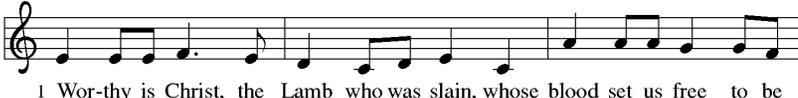
Refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be

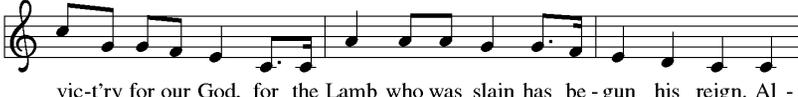


peo-ple of God. Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and strength, and

Refrain



hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-



le-lu-ia. 2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,



glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

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.**

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FIRST READING

REVELATION 7:9–17

⁹After 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. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

¹¹And 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, ¹²singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I 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.

¹⁵For 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.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for 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."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God our shepherd, you have gathered us again from scattered places and nourished us with rich food in word and sacrament. Go with us now, that we may seek the lost, bind up the injured, and strengthen the weak, until you gather us and all the saints into your eternal feast with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

+++SENDING+++

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements related to our participation in God's mission for the world are made prior to our being blessed and sent as workers in the Kingdom of God.

BLESSING

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, + guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

For All Your Saints, O Lord

ELW 427

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Lord is near.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Grand Triumphal Chorus Alexander Guilmont

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SONG AFTER COMMUNION

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in
 peace: your word has been ful - filled. My
 own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -
 pared in the sight of all peo - ple: a light to re -
 veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther,
 and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and
 will be for - ev - er. A - - men.

PSALM

The refrain is sung by the choir, repeated by the assembly. The psalm is sung antiphonally by the cantor and assembly, beginning with the cantor. The assembly sings the refrain where marked.

1* Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD; for
 2 those who fear the LORD lack noth - ing.
 3
 4

- I will bless the LORD¹ at all times;
 the praise of God shall ever be¹ in my mouth.
2 I will glory¹ in the LORD;
let the lowly hear¹ and rejoice. R
3 Proclaim with me the greatness¹ of the LORD;
 let us exalt God's¹ name together.
4 I sought the LORD, who¹ answered me
and delivered me from¹ all my terrors.
5 Look upon the LORD¹ and be radiant,
 and let not your faces¹ be ashamed.
6 I called in my affliction, and¹ the LORD heard me
and saved me from¹ all my troubles. R
7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who¹ fear the LORD
 and de-¹livers them.
8 Taste and see that the¹ LORD is good;
happy are they who take ref-¹uge in God!
9 Fear the LORD, you saints¹ of the LORD,
 for those who fear the¹ LORD lack nothing.
10 The lions are in want and¹ suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing¹ that is good.
22 O LORD, you redeem the life¹ of your servants,
 and those who put their trust in you will¹ not be punished. **R**

SECOND READING

1 JOHN 3:1-3

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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they

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.**

COMMUNION

To receive Holy Communion come to the altar as directed by an usher. The pastor will place the Host (bread) in your open hand; an assisting minister will offer you the wine. Wine is offered either from the common cup, or in your own small glass which you can pick up from a tray at the front of the center aisle. Trays for the used glasses are at the front of the side aisles on a window sill.

If you are in doubt about any direction, please look to an usher for assistance.

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen.

will be filled.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account ¹²Rejoice 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.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

ELW 424 vs.3

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Rejoice in God's Saints

ELW 418

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father;
 through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
 and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God. / **Your mercy is great.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. / **And also with you.**
The assembly shares the Lord's peace with those nearby.

+++MEAL+++

CHOIR ANTHEM *Come Let Us Sing to the Lord* Steven Rickards

OFFERING HYMN

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion. thanks be to God.
 For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
 For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,

fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen.**

DIALOGUE

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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 him thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of the saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy, and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn: