All Saints Sunday



November 3, 2024 10:00 am St. Paul's Eggertsville Campus

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church Eggertsville Campus All Saints Sunday November 3, 2024



Musician: Paul Storfer

Confession and Forgiveness

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, Host at every table, Companion of the suffering, Spirit of resurrection life.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. God of letting go.
- C We confess that we fill ourselves with empty riches while our neighbors starve.
- P God of the cross,
- C We confess that we grasp for dreams of wealth and reject your path of sacrificial love.
- P God who knows our pain,
- C We confess that we become numb or grumpy when you invite us into compassion.
- P God who saves, feeds, and heals,
- C We repent of setting the table too small. We lament our habits of scarcity and distrust. We renounce the lures of prosperity and seek your reign of joy and peace.
- P People of God, we are both sinners and saints: God's table is set for all creation. In Jesus Christ, all your sins are forgiven all our fears are cast aside and all our neighbors are fed.
- C Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Amen.

For All the Saints



Apostolic Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P God of living hope, you have wept for love of your creation. Stand beside us when we weep and walk with us along the roads of grief. When we are held captive to greed, call us by name and set us free from the grip of death. On the last day, gather us together with all your saints to feast in freedom and joy in the company of Jesus Christ, our friend and Lord.

C Amen

Children's Time

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

Isaiah sees a vision of the end of days, when God will gather all people on God's holy mountain and will prepare for them a rich feast. At this banquet God will wipe the tears from all eyes. And there will be no more sorrow, for God will destroy death itself.

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. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; 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. 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.

- A This is the Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24 (read responsively)

They shall receive blessing from the God of their salvation. (Ps. 24:5)

- A The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.
- C For the LORD has founded it upon the seas and established it up on the rivers.
- A Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD, and who may stand in God's holy place?

- C Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.
- A They shall receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of their salvation.
- C Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- A Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- C Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!
- A Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- C Who is this King of glory? Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.
- A This is the Word of the Lord
- C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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- P The Holy Gospel according to John the 11th Chapter
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 11:32-44

Through the raising of Lazarus, Jesus offers the world a vision of the life to come, when death and weeping will be no more.

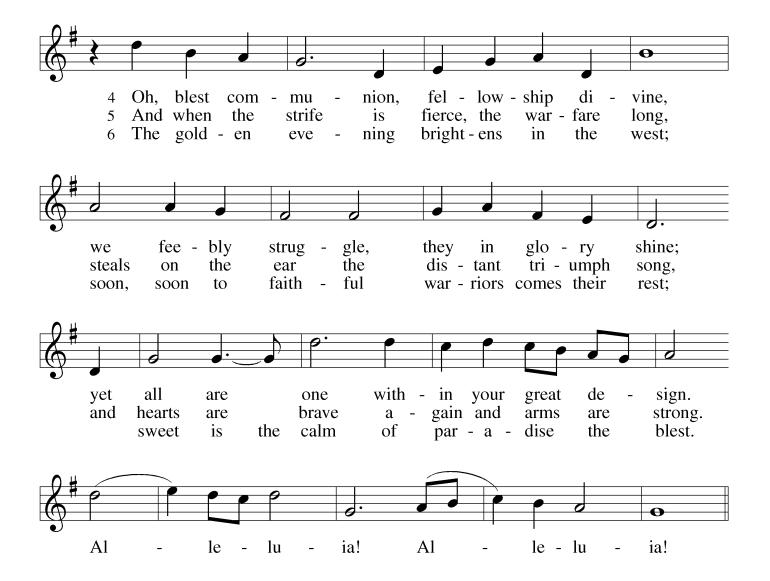
When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid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

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 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." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. 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." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 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."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon





Apostle's Creed

- A With the whole church, let us confess our faith together:
- C 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 of the Church

A Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation. (Please kneel or sit as you are able.)

O God of resurrection, you call us by name and raise us to life. Where we have held back in fear or shame, unbind us. Embolden us in our proclamation of your good news, that all may know abundant life. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A O God of creation, you have founded your world on rivers and seas. Preserve the health and balance of nearby fresh water sources, Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, Niagara River and Ellicott Creek. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A O God of the earth, you reign over all nations and peoples. Inspire us with wisdom and discernment as we elect legislators and leaders. May they govern with justice and uphold the dignity of all people. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A O God of heaven, you make your home among mortals. Come alongside those who weep this day. Befriend all who are lonely, encourage those in despair, and heal any who are suffering, especially the people on our Prayer List and Prayer Chain, and those we name before you now, either silently or aloud. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A O God who serves, you set before us a feast of rich food. Sustain our ministries of fellowship and hospitality. Strengthen the hands and hearts of all who prepare and serve food for our nourishment. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A O God, Alpha and Omega, we give thanks for your faithful ones who are now at peace with you. With all your saints, we praise you, for you have swallowed up death forever. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C Amen.

Ways to Give to St. Paul's:

Options you can use to continue tithing to St. Paul's:

- In-Person Worship: Continue to put your envelopes and cash in the plate
- Giving by Mail: Please mail your donations payable to St. Paul's, 4007 Main Street, Eggertsville, NY 14226
- Online: The St. Paul's website contains a link to Online Giving. The website is: https://stpaulseggertsville.com/online-giving/



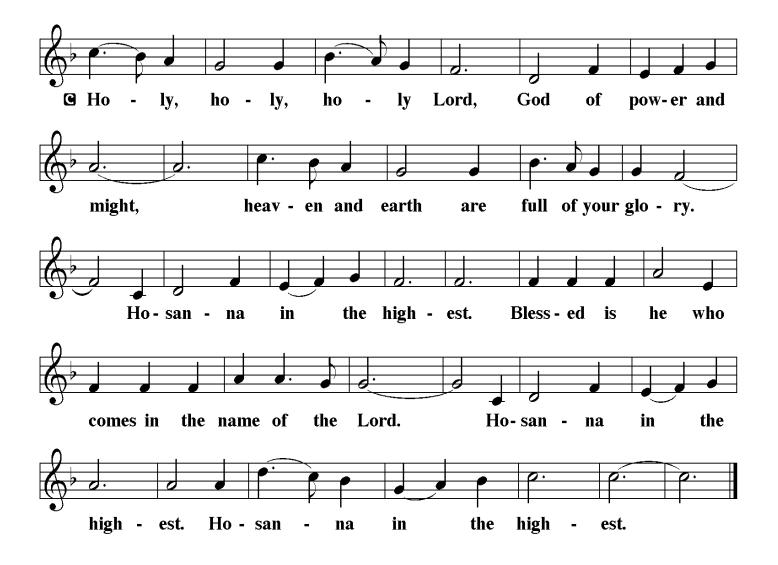
Offering Music and Prayer

- P Let us pray.
- C Blessed are you, God of surprising grace. You call us to bold acts of kindness and brave gestures of solidarity. Receive and hallow these offerings of our time and treasure that we share today and in our planned giving. Multiply these gifts so that your reign of plenty and peace may be known by all, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen



Dialogue and Preface

- 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 God thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right and proper that we should at all times and in all places, offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and sing their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

P In the night in which he was handed over, 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.

Lord's Prayer

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- 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 at St. Paul's: celebrated every time we gather, and is open to all. Please approach by the center aisle, receive the bread and the wine, and return to your seat via the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. Simply request it from the Assisting Minister holding the wine. Children are welcome! Those who receive elsewhere may receive here. Children who do not yet receive may come for a blessing. If you have difficulty walking, communion will be brought to you at your seat.

Communion Blessing

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

Prayer After Communion

- P Thank you, God our provider, for this meal of grace. May the mercies we have tasted here make us quick to share and ready to welcome others, as you have welcomed and loved us fully. Let all our tables bear witness to your abundant life, good and gracious God.
- C Amen.

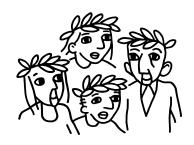
Benediction

- P And now as you go on your way, may our Lord Jesus go with you. May he go before you to show you the way, behind you to encourage you, beside you to be your friend, above you to watch over you, and within you to give you peace. Go today celebrating in the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, and all God's children said...
- C Amen

Closing Hymn: LBW 174, Verses 7-8 (on the following page)

Sharing the Peace and Sending

- P Go in peace to serve the Lord!
- C Thanks be to God.



Verses 7-8

For All the Saints





On this All Saints Day, we remember those we have lost in the past year

Robert Baus

Barbara Metzger

Edna Barenthaler

Barry Kobrin

Janet Siegel

Gloria Goode

Jane Woodward

Marilyn Emerson

Marion Niblock

Bette Breeser

Joanne Baron-Carter

Richard Oakley

Sharon Arbogast

Theodore Bland

Ronald Wolfe

Omar Jenson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: November 3-10, 2024

Unless otherwise noted, all activities will take place at the Eggertsville Campus

Sunday: 9:00-9:45 am: Adult Forum

9:30 am-1:30 pm: Western New York Church at (AC)

10:00 am: Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV

10:00 am: Worship, Communion, and Sunday School 11:30 am-1:00 pm: Confirmation Class at St. Paul's

1:00 pm: Ray of Hope at AC

Monday: 4:30-5:15 pm: Daily Bread Food Truck Meal Share

Tuesday: 6:00 am-9:00 pm: General Election: Because St. Paul's is a voting location, the

following Tuesday meetings are canceled: Bible Study, Recovery on Main, and

Lutheran Chorale Rehearsal

Wednesday: 6:30-8:00 pm: Ray of Hope Prayer Group at AC

8:00 pm: AA Meeting

Thursday: 7:00 pm: Choir Rehearsal

5:00 pm: Goetz Wedding Rehearsal

Friday: 5:00 pm: Goetz Wedding

7:00-8:30 pm: Emotional Sobriety II

Saturday: 9:00 am-12:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open

9:00 am-3:00 pm: Peniel Haitian Church at AC 5:00 pm: Worship and Communion at AC

6:00-9:00 pm: Youth Night at AC

6:30 pm: Private Function in the Parish Hall

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10:00 am: Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV

10:00 am: Worship, Communion, Sunday School, and Baptism of William Houck

1:00 pm: Ray of Hope at AC

Deacons: 11/3: Sara Gallagher; 11/10: Barbara Walter

Ushers: 11/3: Lonny Walter & Gerry Keppel; 11/10: Mike & Michele Degen

Prayer List: Shut-Ins (* indicates new names or changes added this week)

Ruth Blank: Weinberg Campus/Rosa Coplon Living Ctr, 2700 N. Forest, #151, Getzville, 14068

Neal DeLeo: Greenfield Manor, #D110, 5958 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086

Sue Epstein: 59 Berryman Drive, Amherst, NY 14226

John Hornung: Brothers of Mercy, 10570 Bergtold Road, Clarence, NY 14031

Jan Isaacs: 6 Bush Gardens, Three Rod Road, Alden, NY 14004

Rosemond Johnson: 3842 Wildwing Drive, North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Dave Lampe: 829 N Hurff Drive, Elmwood, IL 61529

Elaine Masman: Doseberg Campus, Room 120, 2700 North Forest Rd., Getzville, NY 14068 Dorothy Menth: Elderwood Rehab/Basset Park, 245 Bassett Rd., Williamsville, NY 14221 Wilma Nantka: Fredonia Place, 201 Reist Street, #238, Williamsville, NY 14221 David Wolf: Solstice, 6363 Transit Road, #244, East Amherst, NY 14051

PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship: St. Paul's has two in-person worship services: Saturday evening at 5:00 pm at the Amherst Campus, 5125 Main Street, Williamsville, 14221, and Sunday morning at 10:00 am at the Eggertsville Campus, 4007 Main Street, Eggertsville, 14226. The Sunday 10:00 am worship service is also livestreamed on St. Paul's YouTube page.

Church Unleashed: If you cannot join us for in-person worship, please continue to worship with us as Church Unleashed on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on WBBZ, YouTube, or Facebook.

Prayer Team Ministry: Once a week you will receive an email with a list of people to pray for and specific requests for that person. We ask that you commit to praying for the names on the email. If you'd like to join us, please contact Cody at: Cody@stpaulseggertsville.com

Nursery/Nursing Mom's Room: Located downstairs by the Sunday School room. There is a wall TV for streaming the Sunday worship service. Babies 0-24 months are welcome in the nursery and must be monitored by their parent.

Daily Bread Food Truck: The 2024 Monday Meal Share is underway each Monday from 4:30-5:15 pm. If you are interested in volunteering or donating, contact the office at 716-835-0407 or dailybread4007@gmail.com.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food Pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226, is associated with St. Paul's Amherst Campus, or by referral. The pantry hours for November are: Saturdays 11/9 and 11/23 from 9:00 am-12:30 pm; Thursday 11/14 from 3:00-6:30 pm; and Wednesday 11/27 from 3:00-6:30 pm. Tiger's Den will NOT be open on Thursday, 11/28 which is Thanksgiving. Donations for November: flour, sugar, and cooking oil.

Adult Forum: The Adult Forum continues Sunday mornings at the Eggertsville Campus from 9:00-9:45 am. David Gettman is conducting a study of "The Cost of Leadership" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a Lutheran theologian who was murdered by Adolf Hitler. Study guides are provided.

Amherst Campus Book Club: The last meeting of the Book Club for 2024 will be held on Thursday, November 14 from 7:15-8:15 pm. The November book selection is "Why Religion" by Elaine Pagels. For more information, contact Karin at karinej42@gmail.com.

Youth Group: The next Youth Night will be Saturday, November 7 at the Amherst Campus from 6:00-9:00 pm. Come join in the food, fun, and friends following the 5:00 pm worship service.

Angel Tree Coming Soon



+ St. Paul's Mission + To empower others with the Good News of Jesus Christ. We do that by: Seeking Connections, Enriching Faith, Nourishing Lives, and Demonstrating Love in God's Name.

St. Paul's Congregation Council

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Worship Service: Sundays at 10:00 am

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Worship Service: Saturdays at 5:00 pm