ELW #873 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

1 Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

- With all the angel choirs, with all the saints on earth pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth. *Refrain*
- 6 Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore: the Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore. *Refrain*

Text: Edward H. Plumptre, 1821-1891, alt.







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ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE Philippians 1:3, 7

I thank my God every time I remember you... It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.

PRELUDE *Prelude in B Major, BWV 868......* J. S. Bach

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, #one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

C Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy One,

C we confess that we are not faithful in using your gifts.

We do not see your beautiful image in one another.

We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community.

Open our hearts to your coming,

open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,

open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ELW #422 For All the Saints stanzas 1, 2, 3

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.

KYRIE

P Lord, have mercy. C Lord, have mercy. P Christ, have mercy. C Christ, have mercy.

P Lord, have mercy. C Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Please be seated.

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!" 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, 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."

Please stand.

P The Gospel according to Matthew.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

¹When 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 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."

WORDS TO THE HYMNS

FOR PRAYERFUL REFLECTION ONLY — NO SINGING PERMITTED

ELW #422 For All the Saints

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 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!

- 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

Worship Leaders

The Rev. Dr. Steven H. Shussett, Pastor Ben D'Annibale, Music Director Susan Johns, Assisting Minister Sally Kennedy, Carillonneur

Prayers for those with immediate concerns

Diane Dinkelocker, Mark Hoover, James Kohler, Sr., Jon Dillon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Circle Link: https://youtu.be/3-6Bvt5p10o

Thank you to those who participated in this year's Virtual CROP Walk, whether by walking as Peg and Mike Gumpert and Pastor Steve did, or by sponsoring their efforts. We all have a part in fighting hunger! Here is a YouTube link to the West Berks Mission District CROP Walk Thank You video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?y= iWOutMlfuM

Holy Communion at 7:00 PM this evening via Zoom. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82804231551?pwd=TGR6L0hhMDd0KzJOZXdQSnZycWpmZz09

<u>Home Communion</u> - Call the church office at 610-779-3480 to sign up for a Home Communion visit.

EXETER CARES website: www.exetercares.net to get help, or to give help (including donations).

REMEMBER—For everyone's health and safety, only employees of SLC should enter the church office unless an emergency situation exists. To deliver or pick up something from the church office, please contact Pastor Steve or Diane in advance so items can be put in the breezeway. Thank you for your understanding.



Schwarzwald Blood Drive

The Bloodmobile will be in the parking lot here at Schwarzwald Lutheran on

Saturday, November 21

from 8:00a - 4:00p

Please consider donating much needed blood by signing up today at:

https://donor.giveapint.org/donor/schedules/drive schedule/82175

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please stand.

SERMON HYMN ELW #873 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! stanzas 1, 3, 6

Please be seated.

COMMEMORATION OF ALL SAINTS' DAY

- P Brothers and sisters in Christ, through the sacrament of Baptism we share in the death and resurrection of Christ, and are incorporated into Christ's holy church.
- C Baptism proclaims the faith of the church.
- P In Baptism we are given the Holy Spirit, who brings forth newness of life in all its fullness.
- C The same Spirit who binds us to each other and joins us to Christ's ministry of love, peace, and justice.
- P We now name before you, O Lord, those who have been joined with us through Baptism since last All Saints' Sunday. In naming them we recommit ourselves to your son's Great Commission: that we will teach them to obey everything that Jesus commanded us, even as he reminded us that he is with us always, to the end of the age. In thanksgiving we remember Charles Sipe.
- P There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,
- C one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. (Ephesians 4:4-6)
- P Surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, we remember and give thanks for those who have gone before us to their eternal rest.
- C In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life, we remember before you, O Lord, all our departed family and friends who have gone before us in faith. We offer thanksgiving for the gift of faith and hold fast to the certain of Your promises. Amen.
- P We now name before you, O Lord, those who have gone before us since last All Saints' Sunday. We remember their lifelong faithfulness and rejoice that they now celebrate the feast that has no end. In thanksgiving we remember:

Glenn Miller Ronald Slepecki Wilbur Herb Emily Faber Pat Arndt

Devon Messner

Dr. Harold Wegman June Collison Joan Rau Adele Diefenderfer Shirley Schaeffer

- P After this I looked.
- C 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. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (Rev. 7:9-10)
- P We thank you, loving God, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in the resurrection. You have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, saints and martyrs, a community of faith that strengthens us by their witness, and support us by their fellowship, that we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, continually made into a new creation in this life and in the life to come.

C Amen.

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

P Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

SHARING THE PEACE

Offer those with you in body or spirit a gesture of peace, saying Peace be with you.

Please be seated.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

A basket for your offering is available on entering or exiting.

COMMUNION

- 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.
- P It is indeed right...and join their unending hymn:
- C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Peel back the top layer of plastic, remove wafer and hold it, then open top of juice and hold it.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please be seated.

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

Please stand.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN ELW #422 For All the Saints stanzas 4, 6, 7

DISMISSAL

- A Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Ushers will dismiss by pews, back to front. Allow 6' distance between people.

POSTLUDE Fugue in B Major, BWV 868..... J. S. Bach

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