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# ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH

8695 Gratiot Road Saginaw, MI 48609 (989)781-2170 Email address: ascensionlc@sbcglobal.net Julie Bailey, Pastor Sunday Worship 8:00am & 10:30am Wednesday Worship 7:00pm Call to Worship: "Majesty" (CCLI 1527) (2 times)

Majesty, worship His majesty Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise Majesty, kingdom authority Flow from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus. Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King Majesty, worship His majesty Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings

Welcome and Announcements

#### Remembering Those Who Have Died

P: When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

*Hebrews 12:1-2:* Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

O God, we remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you on earth, who now rest from their labors, especially (*start power point video w/names*) Delila Colpean, Bev Daubert, Eric Lentner, Ronald Schultz, Norm Krogman, George Osterloh, Kathy Woodcock, Dorothy Mahl, Fred Culver IV, Marvin Yancer, and all others we name aloud or in our hearts.

Keep us in union with all your saints, and bring us with them to the joyous feast of heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

# C: Amen.

Hymn: "For All the Saints" (ELW 422 Versus 1-4)

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!

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!

Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. 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!

#### 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.

Hymn of Praise: "This is the Feast" (ELW Setting 3, page 140)

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray...O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Message

### First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

<sup>1</sup>In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup>I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup>and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. <sup>15</sup>As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup>I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup>As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup>But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever — forever and ever."

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

# Second Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

<sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. <sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God!** 

Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" (ELW Setting 3, page 142)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

# P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the sixth chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

### Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

<sup>20</sup>Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. <sup>21</sup>"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. <sup>22</sup>Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. <sup>24</sup>"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. <sup>25</sup>"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup>Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. <sup>27</sup>But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you.

P: This is the gospel of our Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "Shall We Gather at the River" (ELW 423)

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

*Refrain* Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain* 

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain* 

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *Refrain* 

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#### 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

<u>The Prayers of the Children of God</u> Each petition ends...Lord, in your mercy, **Congregation responds...receive our prayer.** 

<u>Sharing of the Peace</u>P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**C: And also with you.** 

Offering

Offering Song: "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" (ELW 182)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

### Offering Prayer

P: Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

<u>Great Thanksgiving</u> (ELW Setting 3, page 144) (*sung*) 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.

### 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 your 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 Delila Colpean, Bev Daubert, Eric Lentner, Ronald Schultz, Norm Krogman, George Osterloh, Kathy Woodcock, Dorothy Mahl, Fred Culver IV, Marvin Yancer, and all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

"Holy Holy" (ELW Setting 3, page 144)

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.

# Thanksgiving at the Table

P: With all the saints of Africa and Asia, India and the islands, Europe and the Americas, we praise you, O God, for you create the worlds.

With all the baptized, the old and the young, the weak and the strong, the famous and the forgotten, we bless you, O God, for you provide us with water and food.

With all the faithful in cities and on farms, in mansions and huts, past and present, we worship you, O God, for you shelter the generations.

With all your holy people, those who ministered in the church, those who served the poor, and all who walked the way of the cross,

we glorify you, O God, for in Jesus you journeyed with us on earth.

With Paul and the evangelists, we remember the meal of your Son:

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. With Peter and all the martyrs, we honor Christ's death, saying Amen. C: Amen!

P: With Mary Magdalene and all the apostles, we proclaim his resurrection, shouting Amen.

C: Amen!

P: With John and all the theologians and mystics, we look for his returning, pleading Amen.

# C: Amen!

- P: With the Virgin Mary and all who sang of your greatness, we pray for the power of the Spirit.
  Visit this gathering, this bread and this cup, with the presence of the body and blood of Christ.
- Form us into a communion of service,

and infuse your earth with the wholeness we seek.

With grandparents and godparents, with the church universal,

and especially with Delila Colpean, Bev Daubert, Eric Lentner, Ronald Schultz, Norm Krogman,

George Osterloh, Kathy Woodcock, Dorothy Mahl, Fred Culver IV, Marvin Yancer,

lead us to a future we cannot yet see,

and at the end draw all humanity to yourself.

Now with all of the family you saved by your love,

we shout

- P: blessing
- C: blessing,
- P: Glory
- C: glory,
- P: wisdom
- C: wisdom,
- P: thanksgiving
- C: thanksgiving,
- P: honor
- C: honor,
- P: power
- C: power,
- P: might
- C: might,
- P: be to our God forever and ever. Amen.
- C: Amen!

Lord's Prayer (sung)

### "Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen"

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Invitation to Communion / Distribution of Holy Communion P: Christ spreads a table before you. Gather here with all the saints. Communion Songs: "Lamb of God" (ELW Setting 3, page 146)

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.

"For All the Saints" (ELW 422 Versus 5-7)

The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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!

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Post-Communion Blessing

P: And now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.** 

#### Post Communion Prayer

P: We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# C: Amen

#### Blessing

P: The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, + bless you now and forever.

# C: Amen.

Sending Song: "Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In" (ACS 950)

Oh, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching in, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the Lord in glory comes.

Oh, when the new world is revealed, oh, when the new world is revealed, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the new world is revealed.

Oh, when they gather round the throne, oh, when they gather round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that number when they gather round the throne.

And on that hallelujah day, and on that hallelujah day, O Lord, I want to be in that number on that hallelujah day.

<u>Dismissal</u>

- P: As an open and progressive congregation,
- C: we boldly make Christ's vision known.
- P: Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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