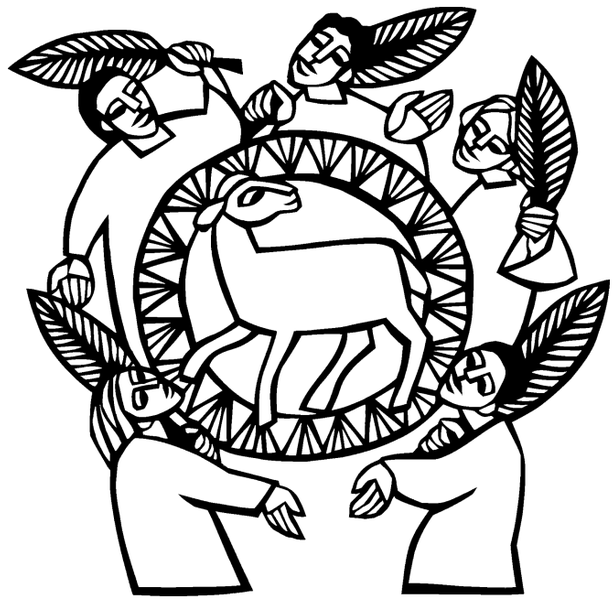
St. Timothy
Lutheran Church, ELCA
OF GRAND ISLAND, NY



November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God, **we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.**

Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you. **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING HYMN
For All Your Saints, O Lord **ELW 427**

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

KYRIE **ELW pg. 138**

GLORY TO GOD **ELW pg. 139**

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.**

WORD

REMEMBRANCE OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED AND NEWLY BAPTIZED

Holy and loving God, we live in faith and hope that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ. And yet when our loved ones complete their baptismal journey, it is right to mourn, and to weep. We take solace knowing that Jesus cries with us.

Today we mourn and give thanks for those who during the last twelve months have died and have entered into your never-ending care: Bonnie Bolling; John D. Borsi, Jr.; Joan E. Buchanan; Norman Albert Carlson; Timothy Carroll; Rita Chapman; Cathy Cunningham; Robert Demita; Richard Domster; Nancy A. Fry; Henry Gorniki; Joseph Grandinetti; Carol Lynn Gritman; Don Hamman; Chris Hartwick; Marcia Hutt; Terry Kastil; Janet Kellam; Richard Kosut; Patricia Lee; Anne Lovullo-O'donnell; Jim Massaro; Mary May; Jeanette Noel; Cornelius O'donnell; Jerry Peete; Gary Petersen; Linda Pelletier; Lynda Reeves; Ron Sweeney; Gregory Trietley; and Michele Webb. God of all, may they rest in peace, in you.

May the time we shared together, the laughter, tears, and love, remind us to love our families, friends and neighbors here and now.

As we remember these saints in your care, we also rejoice for those who have joined the saints this year through the sacrament of Holy Baptism, especially Calen Michael Jablonski at St. Timothy. We give thanks for his new life in Christ.

Let us recognize what it means to be called children of God, and to know we are a part of the company of saints neither by our own inclination nor in our own strength but through the gift of faith through the Holy Spirit and the healing and righteousness of Christ Jesus our

Savior. **Amen!**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING Revelation 7:9-17

9 After 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. 10 They cried out in a
loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God
who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"
11 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, 12 singing, "Amen! Blessing and
glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might be to our God forever
and ever! Amen."

13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying,
"Who are these, robed in white, and where have
they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are
the one who 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. 15 For 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.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching

heat, [17] for 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."

R. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM Psalm 34:1-10, 22

[1] I will bless the Lord at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
[2] I will glory in the Lord;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.
[3] Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;
let us exalt God's name together.
[4] I sought the Lord, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.
[5] Look upon the Lord and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.
[6] I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.
[7] The angel of the Lord encamps around those
who fear the Lord **and delivers them.**
[8] Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!
[9] Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord,
for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.
[10] The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing
that is good.
[22] O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you
will not be punished.

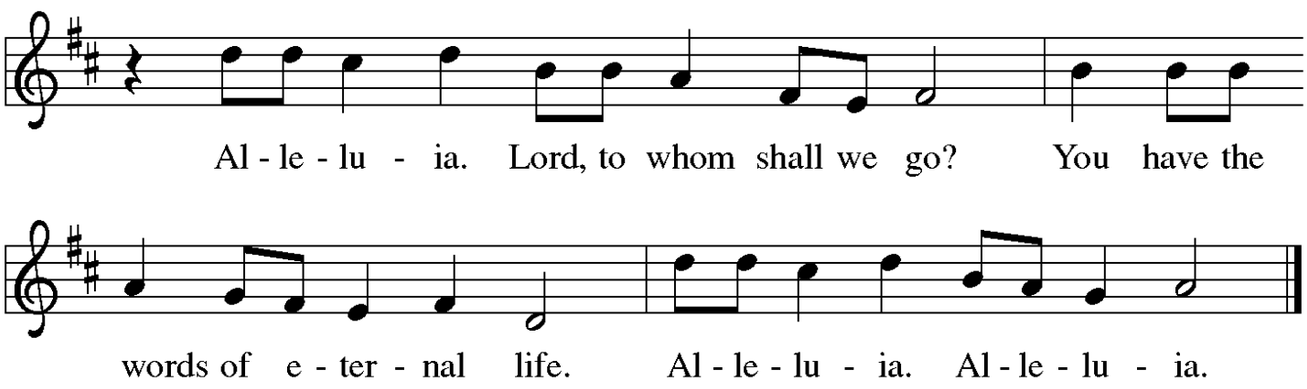
SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-3

[1] 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. [2] Beloved,
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. [3] And all who have this
hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:1-12

P. The holy gospel according to Matthew, the fifth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[1] When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the
mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples
came to him. [2] And 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
the sake of righteousness, 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. 12 Rejoice and
be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in
the same way they persecuted the prophets who
were before you.”

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

You may be seated.

SERMON Pastor Adam Arends

HYMN OF THE DAY
For All The Saints **ELW 422**, v. 1-3, 7

THE APOSTLE’S CREED
Please find in the back cover of the red hymnal.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition ends with the words, "God in your mercy" *we respond,* **"hear our prayer."**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P. The peace of Christ be with you always.

C. And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

Lord God, **extend our faith so that even when we fail to see the fruit of our planted seeds, we may have the assurance that every inch of soil overturned will lead to a harvest someday. Amen.** We now bring forth our offering as a seed which God will nurture. *

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards be Fruitful **ELW 182**

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A. Let us pray. **Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

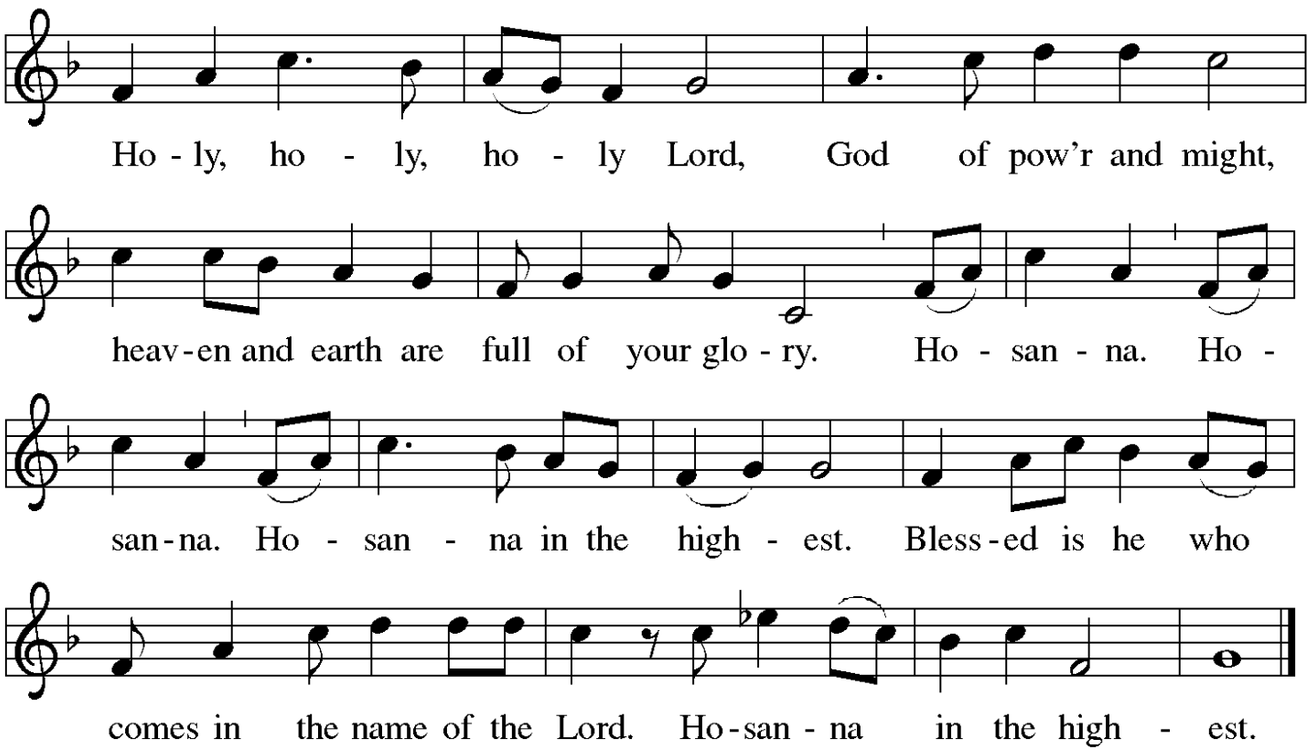
Please stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
P. Lift up your hearts. **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.

PROPER 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 all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. **We thank you, O God.**

In the night in which he was betrayed…

… Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please find in the back cover of the red hymnal.

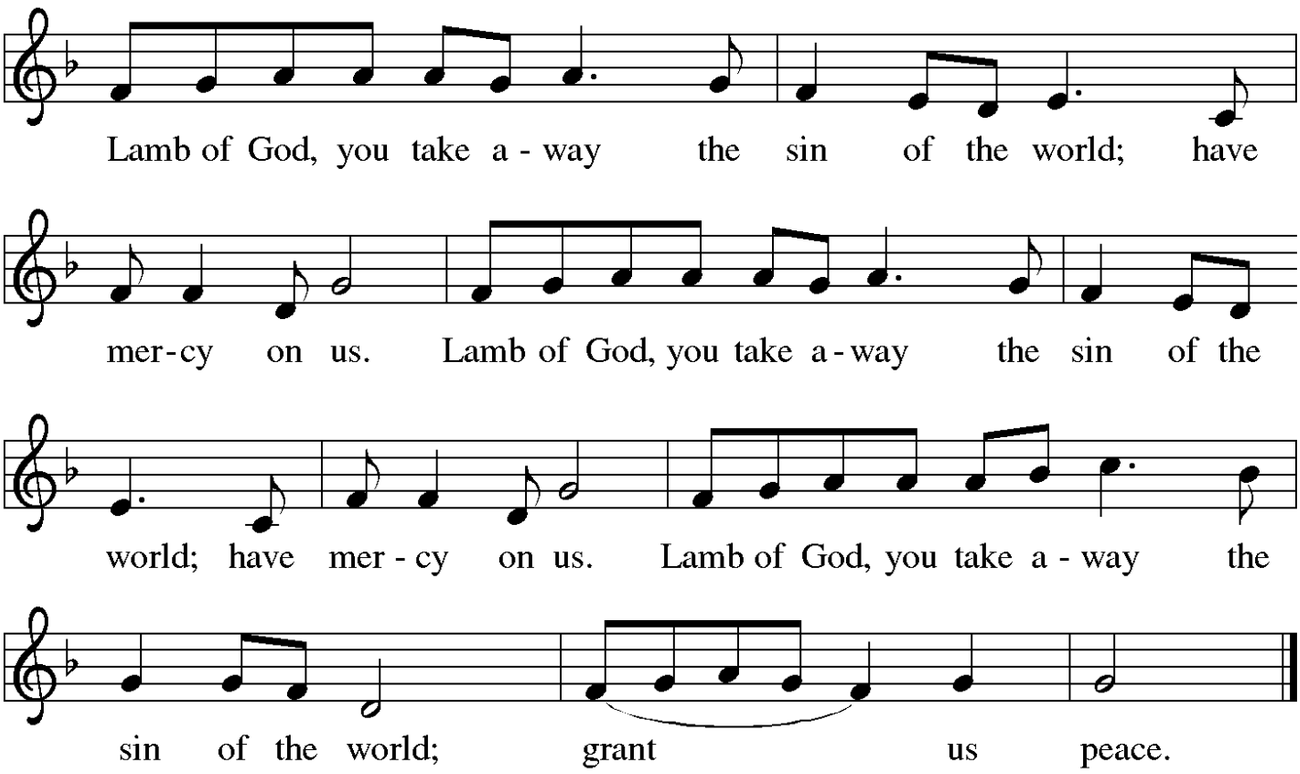
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

DISTRIBUTION

We invite all to the Lord's supper. You can pick up a cup as you come forward or use the elements at the entrance to the sanctuary. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are also available.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMN

Let Us Break Bread Together **ELW 471**
As the Grains of Wheat **ELW 465**

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P. Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and

feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

O When the Saints Go Marching In

1 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.

2 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.

4 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.

5 Oh, when they crown him King of kings, oh, when they crown him King of kings, O Lord, I want to be in that number when they crown him King of kings.

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

DISMISSAL

A. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

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• The sanctuary candle burns today in loving memory of Fred and Rita Chapman, sponsored by John Piccillo.

• Today is Soup for Saints! Soup made with love and frozen leftover chicken is $5 for a pint or $8 for a quart and comes with either biscuits, cornbread, or beer bread. Thanks for your support and to all who contributed in making it!

• Please take a moment to sign up for the dessert smorgasbord on 11/22 if you're able to help. Thank you!