

All Saints Lutheran Church

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Season of Pentecost

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Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

L: On this Labor Day Sunday let us lift up all people who labor, either for pay or as volunteers, in jobs or at school, at home or in the workplace, here at home and all around the world.

C: We are workers, God, just like you.

But we confess that our actions do not always affirm and honor each other.

Our work is not always done in a spirit that is pleasing to you.

We confess that, on some occasions, we have blindly bought goods made by people who are paid too little or work in unsafe conditions.

We admit that we have failed to end an unjust system in which some workers have jobs that provide good wages and benefits while others may have no job, or one that pays little and provides few benefits.

L: Creator God,

We thank you for your abundant forgiveness.

Help us to be your people, working for a world where all workers are valued.

A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in.

A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill.

And one where those who serve and care for others

in stores, schools, hotels, restaurants, nursing homes, and many other places $\frac{1}{2}$

are, themselves, also served and cared for.

A world where all workers everywhere

share in the abundance that you have given us.

Amen.

Gathering Prayer

L: Worker God, whose hands built the earth, molded our bodies, and sowed the stars across the sky, we gather in your presence this day with praise and thanksgiving for your mighty deeds. Meet us here, Worker God; strengthen our hearts and our hands to work with you in the building of a world filled with justice and peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn "Earth and All Stars"

Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Hail, wind and rain! Loud blowing snow storm!
Sing to the Lord a new song!

Refrain

God has done marvelous things. I too sing praises with a new song.

Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes! Sing to the Lord a new song! Athlete and band! Loud cheering people! Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom! Sing to the Lord a new song! Daughter and son! Loud praying members! Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Prayer of the Day

L: Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives:

So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

C: Amen.

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "For the Fruit of All Creation"

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- For the fruit of all creation thanks be to God.
 For these gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
 For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, Future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.
- 2. In the just reward of labor, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done. In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, In the harvest we are sharing, God's will is done.
- 3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God. For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Prayers of the People

L: For providing varieties of work and for blessing us by our labor:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who plow the field and those who make the plow; for farmers and farm workers, for steelworkers and machinists; for those who work with their hands and those who move the earth:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who tend the sick and those who seek new cures; for doctors and nurses, for scientists and technicians; for those who keep notes and those who transcribe:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who think and those who create; for inventors and explorers, for artists and musicians; for those who write books and those who entertain:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who work in offices and those who work in warehouses; for secretaries and receptionists, for stockers and bookkeepers; for those who market products and for those who move them:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who inspire our minds and those who motivate us; for teachers who work this year in strange and difficult circumstances, for public servants and religious servants; those who help the poor and those who work with our children:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those whose labor is tidiness and cleanliness; for janitors and sanitary workers, for drycleaners and maids; for those who produce cleaning products and those who use them:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who sail the waves and those who fly the skies; for captains and attendants, for astronauts and deep sea divers; for those who chart and those who navigate:

C: We give you thanks, O Lord.

L: You bless us all with skills and gifts for labor.

C: You provide us opportunities to use them, for the benefit of others as well as ourselves.

L: Guard and protect those who labor in the world.

C: Bless the work of our hands, O Lord.

L: Look kindly upon the unemployed and the disabled.

C: Give health to the sick, hope to the bereaved.

L: Keep us from laboring only for greed.

C: Make us loving and responsible in all that we do.

L: Creator Lord,

you are the source of all wisdom and purpose, you are the blessing of those who labor. Be with us in our labor to guide and govern our world. Give all men and women work that enhances human dignity and bonds us to one another. Give us pride in our work, a fair return for our labor, and joy in knowing that our work finds its source in you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

Benediction

L: When you work, work as though you work for the Lord. When you rest, rest in the sovereign grace of God. And when you celebrate, celebrate as a people with the greatest reason for love, joy, and celebration. Go now in the grace and forgiveness of our Savior, and in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you.

C: And also with you.

Sending Hymn_ "Now Thank We All Our God"

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- Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; Who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way. With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.
- 2. Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, And keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, And free us from all harm in this world and the next.
- 3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given
 The Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
 The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;
 For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Sending

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Accompanist: Jane Fasching

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS

We are glad you chose to worship at All Saints today. We hope you find the worship service meaningful and that you feel at home with our congregation.

Remember in Prayer

Arlene Fabel for healing
Cassie Storms for healing
Jerry Braun for healing
Marlene Mueller for healing
Marlene Mueller's daughter, Mona, for healing
Terry Feltmann for healing
Diane Lindemeier and Mike McPadden's brother for healing
Eli Martens (son of Cody Martens, grandson of Cliff & Becky Martens) for healing
Erin Martens (daughter of Cody Martens, granddaughter of Cliff & Becky Martens) for healing
Kassie Harms for healing
Andrew Haley stationed in Virginia

Registration is now open for Confirmation

Confirmation will begin with orientation on September 16 with in person study social distancing in the sanctuary.

Confirmation is for students in 6th, 7th & 8th grade for the school year 2020-2021.

More information and registration can be found on our website.

STAY IN TOUCH WITH US

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Offerings

- ~ Mail in your offerings to: All Saints Lutheran, P.O. Box 550 NYA, MN 55368
- ~ Drop them off (office is open Monday Thursday 8 am 3 pm)
- ~ Go to our online giving page: http://www.allsaintsnya.org/about-us/online-giving.html

Keep in your prayers:

Women's Fellowship: Begins Saturday, September 12 at 8 am at church with the theme "Encouraging Each Other."

Men's Fellowship: Begins Saturday, September 12 at 8 am in the basement of the Hillcrest Café with breakfast following our study

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Begins Tuesday, September 15 at church at 8:30 am_Please email Darcy (dgray@allsaintsnya.org) to register for our study on 1&2Thessalonians so we can plan for social distancing.

Confirmation for Grades 6, 7 & 8: With Pastor Matt begins Wednesday, September 16 at 5:30 pm please register online at www.allsaintsnya.org

Senior High Gathering with Pastor Matt

Senior High Youth are invited to get to know Pastor Matt over pizza and trivia at All Saints on Thursday, September 24 at 5:30pm. Some trivia will be church/bible based (this is a church after all...) but there will also be trivia based on pop culture, movies, music, etc. If the weather is nice we'll meet outside but we can also socially distance in the fellowship hall if need be. Masks are required while inside the building. Email Pastor Matt if you can attend (mschroeder@allsaintsnya.org) and if you have any dietary restrictions.

Sunday School Registration — Sunday School will start on October 11 with a meet and greet with teachers and a gift/treat bag (in lieu of the Carnival). Sunday School classes will begin October 18. There will be no singing and masks will be required. We will limit the number registered at 9:00 and 10:15 am to a max of 50 so we can spread out in the classrooms. Go to www.allsaintsnya.org to register today.

Sunday School Supplies – For the safety of our SS kids we would like to create a classroom kit for each student. Donations of small hand sanitizer, personal tissue packs, box of crayons and glue stick are appreciated. We will put items in a labeled zip lock bag to keep in the classroom.

Have We Got A Chair For You! We are selling our metal chairs to make room for the new(used) white plastic chairs we purchased from Farm Supply Waconia. We were able to get a deal on 200 plastic chairs along with two hanging racks and 4 rolling racks.

If you or someone you know would like to purchase a metal chair or a few for a suggested price of \$3.00 each let Darcy know. Whatever is left we will put on Craig's list or swap and shop sites.