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5th Sunday of Easter

May 15, 2022 8 & 9:30 am

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting

L: Jesus has given us a new commandment:

C: We are commanded to love one another.

L: Just as Christ has loved us,

C: So we ought to have love for one another.

L: By this, everyone will know we are Christ's disciples:

C: By our love for one another.

L: Come, may we join our hearts in worship:

C: Worship God by loving one another.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

L: In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

Pastor pours water in the font.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing.

C: You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through. In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation.

L: Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear. To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn

"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

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1. Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!
God has brought Israel into joy from sadness,
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters,
led them with unmoistened foot throughout the Red Sea waters.

2. 'Tis the spring of souls today; Christ has burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has risen.
All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying
from the Light to whom we give laud and praise undying.

3. Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,
with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
welcome in unwearied strain Jesus' resurrection!

4. Neither could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal, hold you as a mortal:
but today, among your own, you appear, bestowing
your deep peace, which evermore passes human knowing.

5. Alleluia! Now we cry to our Lord immortal,
who triumphant burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal.
Alleluia! with the Son God the Father praising;
Alleluia! yet again to the Spirit raising.

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Prayer of the Day

L: O Lord God,

C: you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Blessing of the Graduates (9:30 am)

L: Today we celebrate those who are taking another step in their faith journey.

We are delighted to honor you as you graduate from high school. We are proud of you! It is our privilege to affirm you as members of this congregation. You have completed an important phase of your lives and you are entering another.

As you celebrate your achievements and prepare for your new endeavors, do you promise to remain connected to the church, offering your gifts to the world as part of the body of Christ and receiving the support of this family of faith?

Graduates: With God's help, we do.

Members and friends of All Saints, will you promise to keep these graduates and their families in your thoughts and prayers and help these young men and women as need and opportunity arise? If so answer, "We will."

Congregation: We will.

Parents you have fulfilled your baptismal promises and now I ask you to bestow upon them God's blessing and yours. If you will lay your hands on your child and repeat after me:

We thank and bless God for the gift you have been to our lives. Wherever you go, our love and God's love goes with you. We bless you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Graduates, please repeat after me:

Mom/Dad, you have given of your heart and of your home. You have loved and cared for me, even when I was difficult, I thank God for your undying love, patience, courage, and wisdom. I bless you in the name of Jesus. Amen.

L: Let us pray.

O Lord, Jesus Christ, when you welcomed the children your invitation included each one of us. Your guiding hand has continually been upon these young men and women. You have sustained them. You have shared in their laughter and wiped away their tears. In times of confusion you have offered direction. In times of sorrow you have offered hope. In times of doubt, your Holy Spirit has lifted them up. Grant, O Savior, to each of these graduates the knowledge of your continued presence as they go forth into the future. Guide their steps. Hold them in the hollow of your hand. Bless them and keep them now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord watch over you and keep you safe.

May the Lord guide your every step.

May you always know of our unending love for you.

C: Amen.

P: Let us honor graduates, parents and this congregation with our thanks and applause for remembering and keeping the promises made to God in baptism.

C: Amen (Applause)

Congratulations to our 2022 graduates!

Brayden Baumann

Erin Bohn

Jenna Flaata

Alex Gort

Kelsey Harms

Bailey Kerkow

Dominic Kromarek

Riley Lentsch

Paige Lueck

Raven McCullough

Owen Murphy

Kyle Petersen

Rachel Scott

Brayden Slavik

Lily Weverka

Word

First Reading: Revelation 21: 1-6

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Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home^[a] of God is among mortals. He will dwell^[b] with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God; ⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶ Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Refrain: Now the feast and celebration,
all of creation sings for joy
To the God of life and love and freedom;
Praise and glory forevermore!

Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,
whose blood has freed and united us
to be one great people of God. Refrain

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Gospel Reading: John 13: 31-35

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When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him,^u God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

L: The Gospel of the Lord
C: Praise to you O Christ

Children's Time

Hymn of the Day

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen"

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1. Alleluia! Jesus is risen!
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!
Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain:

Jesus is risen and we shall arise.
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

2. Walking the way, Christ in the center
telling the story to open our eyes;
breaking our bread, giving us glory:
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain*

3. Jesus the vine, we are the branches;
life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;
heaven to earth, Christ to the people,
gift of the future now flowing to me. *Refrain*

4. Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent:
death put asunder, and Easter is bright.
Cherubim sing: O grave, be open!
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. *Refrain*

5. City of God, Easter forever,
golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
river of life, saints and arch angels,
sing with creation to God the I AM! *Refrain*

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926

Music: David N. Johnson, 1922-1987

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Sermon

Offering Prayer

Living God, maker of heaven and earth, we know ourselves to be recipients of great and wonderful gifts. Do not let our comfort blind us to the newness you are making all around us. We ask that you make us instruments of that change as we seek to love others as you have first loved us. Bless these gifts that we have gathered here. We pray that these treasures that we have freely given this morning be signs of your new creation among us. May they show the world that we are your disciples and that the world is about to turn. **Amen.**

Communion

L: We are resurrection people!

C: We come to share in the table Jesus has prepared for us.

L: We are Easter People!

C: Just as we share his death, we share his life. We, too, will be raised from death to life.

L: We are Good News people!

C: The body and blood of Jesus are a real presence among us. We come to the table to find forgiveness, healing, and acceptance.

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...(proper preface continues)

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Communion Blessing

Benediction and Sending

L: Christ has given us a new commandment: that we love one another, as Christ has loved us. By this, everyone will know that we are Christ's disciples, if we share that love with the world. And through this love, all things will be made new. Go now, and do as Christ commands.

C: Amen.

1. That Easter day with joy was bright:
the sun shone out with fairer light
when to their longing eyes restored,
the apostles saw their risen Lord.

2. O Jesus, king of gentleness,
with constant love our hearts possess;
to you our lips will ever raise
the tribute of our grateful praise.

3. O Christ, you are the Lord of all
in this our Easter festival,
for you will be our strength and shield
from ev'ry weapon death can wield.

4. All praise, O risen Lord, we give
to you, once dead, but now alive!
To God the Father equal praise,
and God the Spirit, now we raise!

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L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

L: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

C: Thanks be to God.

Accompanist: Chris Starr

The Week Ahead:

Sun	May 15	Worship at 8 & 9:30 am 9:30 am Blessing of the High School Graduates 10:30 am Graduation banquet
Mon	May 16	6:00 pm Fish Fry
Tue	May 17	10:00 am Crafter's Group 6:30 pm Church Council
Thurs	May 19	12:00 pm Men's Lunch at Midtown 7:00 pm AA
Sun	May 22	Worship at 8 & 9:30 am 8:45 am Annual Meeting

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. If you want to learn more about All Saints or are looking to be connected, visit www.allsaintsnya.org or contact one of our staff:

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Transition Team Update

The Transition Team met to start their work this past Wednesday May 4th. We began working our way through the Ministry Site Profile (MSP) that was created when Pastor Matt was called as the associate pastor. The MSP is used to describe a congregation to a candidate being interviewed for a position as a pastor. Although Pastor Matt already knows All Saints it is a good way to discuss where a congregation has been, where it is now, and where it wants to go in the future. We also began working on a survey that will be sent to the congregation later this week. The survey asks members of All Saints to choose the top 5 tasks that a new Senior Pastor will concentrate on. The survey will be available both online and as a paper survey by Sunday May 15th. The results will be compiled and a ranked list of priorities will be presented for the congregation to consider while voting on whether to call Pastor Matt as the next Senior Pastor. Watch for an announcement of how to access the online survey or get a paper copy.

Watch out for scams

A few congregation members have been contacted, via email and text message, by someone claiming to be Pastor Matt. Since Pastor Matt's name and title at All Saints are public information it's easy for people to create fake accounts and contact members of our church then try to scam them. Please pay close attention to the cell phone number and the email address. Furthermore, Pastor Matt will NEVER ask you to transfer him money or buy him gift cards (especially not over text or email). Please ignore, report, and block these interactions. Stay safe out there!

All Saints Fish Fry, Monday, May 16 at 6:00 pm

Join us for the All Saints Annual Fish Fry in the fellowship hall. Fish and all the fixings will be served with a free will offering taken. We have lots of fishing gear to give away too compliments of Mark and Rachel Slater!



Opportunities to Serve-WE NEED YOU!

Our monthly serving schedules are available online through Signup.com. There you can volunteer to usher, read scripture lessons, assist with communion and serve fellowship. Sign up at the Welcome Center or go to our website www.allsaintsnya.org.

Annual Meeting

On Sunday, May 22 at 8:45 am we will hold our annual meeting. At this meeting we will approve the May 1, 2022 – April 30, 2023 Fiscal year budget, vote to call Pastor Matt Schroeder as senior pastor, elect 4 council members and approve updates to the All Saints Constitution and ByLaws.

Copies of the proposed Constitution and ByLaws along with the proposed budget are available at the Welcome Center or by request from Darcy, dgray@allsaintsnya.org. Budget questions should be directed to Treasurer, Mike McPadden.

Council Nominations: The following persons will have their names on the council ballot at the May 22 annual meeting. We will elect 4 persons to the council for a 3 year term which begins August 2022:

Shelley Jagow – current council member running for 2nd term
Mike McPadden – current council member running for 2nd term
Clinton Strobel – member since 2011
Mike Woizeschke – member since 2012

Feed My Starving Children

All Saints will be packing meals at Feed My Starving Children on Wednesday, June 1 from 4:30 – 6:15 pm. FMSC is located at 18732 Lake Drive East, Chanhassen, MN 55317. Plan on arriving at the facility 10 – 15 minutes prior to our packing session for check-in. All ages over 5 years are welcome to help pack. We have 12 spots reserved but more can attend. Please sign up at the Welcome center or RSVP to Pastor Matt (mschroeder@allsaintsnya.org) or Darcy (dgray@allsaintsnya.org) to reserve your opportunity to put our Gospel into motion.



EcoFaith talk on June 5th at 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall

Join Jack Hurbanis, who is the Congregational Organizer for Environmental Justice for the Minneapolis Area Synod, ELCA, to learn more about Minnesota Valley Electric, a co-op that serves many members of All Saints and how you can get involved in creating a more sustainable energy future.

The rural electrification of the 1930s was organized using a “co-operative” model -- and this was intentional, putting community members themselves as keepers of the grid. Co-ops are designed to keep electricity under local control and always putting the needs of the community first.

Member owners have the power to show up and exercise this ownership of our utilities alongside other community members.

The EcoFaith Network of the Minneapolis Area Synod has been working to increase democratic participation in rural electric co-op's. They are working to make member owner's values about our energy future heard -- from substantial increases in renewable energy sources to equitable access in energy efficiency and onsite solar options

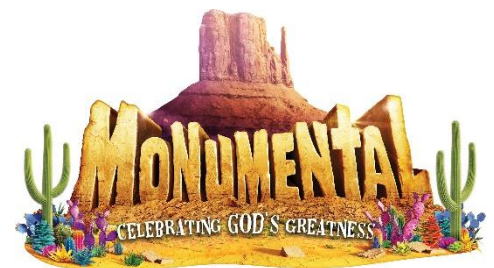


Vacation Bible School

VBS is June 13- 16, 2022, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

VBS is for students Age 3-Grade 6 (entering fall 2022).

Join us for “Monumental” VBS, the summer event that helps celebrate God’s greatness! Monumental is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences, music, crafts, games and snacks. Cost is \$18 per child with a \$36 family max and deadline to sign up is **May 29, 2022. Transportation is available. Register online at www.allsaintsnya.org or you can find registration forms at the Welcome Center.**



VBS Staffing- We can't do this without you!

We are looking for fun, energetic volunteers for VBS for the following areas:

**Classroom Teacher: Kindergarten, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, and 4th Grade
(some of these classes may be combined depending on registration)**

Transportation drivers from Kid's Company to church and back again

Photographer: take pictures throughout the week

If you are interested, sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Darcy at dgray@allsaintsnya.org

Cash Donations for VBS. We try to keep the registration fee minimal and affordable to families. We need cash donations to cover all our VBS expenses. If you are willing to help, please visit our online giving page and give whatever amount you'd like under “VBS Donation”. THANK YOU!

<https://www.allsaintsnya.org/online-giving/index.html>

New Member's Received Sunday, June 12

We will receive new members at All Saints on Sunday, June 12 at 9:30 am service. We will have new member orientation at church on Tuesday, June 7 at 7:00 pm. If you are interested or have questions about becoming a new member of All Saints please contact Darcy at dgray@allsaintsnya.org.

All Saints Annual Garage Sale July 14 , 15 & 16, 2022

Mark your calendars. Are you spring cleaning? Save your 'treasures' for the garage sale. More info to come.



Online Giving at All Saints:

Visit www.allsaintsnya.org or scan the QR code to set up a one time or recurring donation using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.



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