

# Gustavus Adolphus

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation



## All Are Welcome Here!

Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church proclaims that the Gospel is God's gift to all people, to be shared unconditionally. We rejoice in the manner in which diversity has enriched, nurtured and challenged the life and ministry we share in Christ. We know that the world is often an unloving place and that the experience of alienation is all too common. Because Christ reconciles us, we welcome people of all ages, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical and mental abilities, educational levels, and socioeconomic backgrounds. We strive to be an evermore welcoming community. Following the example of Christ, we extend a most heartfelt welcome to all.

## Our Congregation's Vision Statement

God in Christ loves us; therefore, through the Holy Spirit we will:

### *Do justice*

- We **hope** for our community and all of God's creation
- We feed the poor and comfort the afflicted
- We welcome and **respect** our neighbor and the stranger

### *Love kindness*

- We **love** and care for our congregation and our community
- We practice **forgiveness** locally and globally
- We strive for **compassion** and **acceptance**

### *Walk humbly with our God*

- We find **joy** in creation
- We desire to grow in **spirituality**
- We delight in liturgical worship and creative expression

We are all children of God. Jesus calls us by name. With the Holy Spirit, we seek to live out God's grace.

## All Saints Sunday

November 4, 2018

9:30 a.m.

## Welcome to Gustavus Adolphus!

If you are a guest today, please fill out the blue slip included in today's bulletin so that we may have a record of your visit with us.

We welcome people of all ages in worship. Activity bags for children are available from the ushers.

We invite you to remain for refreshments and a time of fellowship following worship today.

Please remember to silence all electronic devices.

✝ Please stand as you are able.

## *Gathering*

PRELUDE

Setting, David Cherwien

*Aria on "For All the Saints"*

✝ GATHERING SONG

ELW Hymn 422

### ***For All the Saints***

Stanza 1 ... All voices

Stanza 4 ... All voices

Stanza 2 ... Higher voices

Stanza 5 ... Higher voices

Stanza 3 ... Lower voices

Stanza 6 ... Lower voices

Stanza 7 ... All voices

✝ 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.**

✝ CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW Hymn 413, stanzas 1 & 2

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,

casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

which wert and art, and evermore shall be.

## *Worship Notes*

Numbers marked with the word "page..." are found in the front portion of ELW (the red hardcover hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*) at the bottom left and right corners of the page.

Numbers marked with the word "Hymn..." are found in the back portion of ELW in the upper left and right corners of the page.

✝ 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

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6–9

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

<sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

<sup>8</sup>he will swallow up death forever.  
Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day,  
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.  
This is the LORD for whom we have waited;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

**P** Word of God. Word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1–6a

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city,  
the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a  
bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne  
saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>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.”

<sup>5</sup>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.” <sup>6a</sup>Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the  
beginning and the end.”

**P** Word of God. Word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

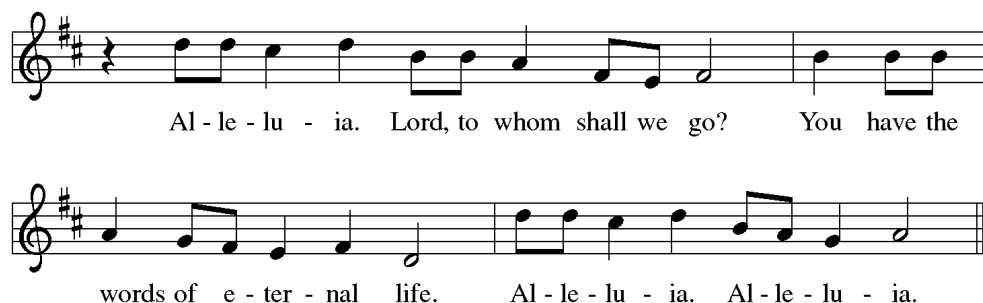
## Introduction to the Day

*Of all three years of the  
lectionary cycle, this year's  
All Saints readings have the  
most tears. Isaiah and  
Revelation look forward to  
the day when God will wipe  
away all tears; in John's  
gospel, Jesus weeps along  
with Mary and all the  
gathered mourners before  
he demonstrates his power  
over death. On All Saints  
Day we celebrate the  
victory won for all the faith-  
ful dead, but we grieve for  
our beloved dead as well,  
knowing that God honors  
our tears. We bring our  
grief to the table and find  
there a foretaste of Isaiah's  
feast to come.*

## Guest Pastor

During Pastor Jo's medical leave, we are welcoming guest pastors each Sunday. Today we welcome Pastor Don Fulton back to GA as presider and preacher. Pastor Don has been our guest several times in the past, and we thank him for sharing in our worship today.

## ✠ ACCLAMATION



## ✠ GOSPEL

John 11:32-44

**P** The Holy Gospel according to John, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

## SERMON

## ✠ HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW HYMN 628

*Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

## ✠ NICENE CREED

ELW page 104

✝ COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

*We are reminded that in holy baptism God unites all the faithful into the one holy catholic and apostolic church: the church on earth and the church in heaven.*

**P** Let us pray. O God, our help in ages past and our hope for years to come: We give you thanks for all your faithful people who have followed the light of your word throughout the centuries into our time and place.

**A** We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you on earth, who now rest from their labors, especially...

**Herbert Hansen**

**Shirley Johnson**

**James Lind**

**Duane Lussier**

**Evie Ramin**

**Barbara (Coats) Sandell**

**Henrietta Sibell**

**A** 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.**

**P** Hear our prayers in the name of the good and gracious shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

**Worshippers are invited to come forward and light a candle in memory of a loved one or loved ones.**

***During this time we will sing ELW hymn 728, "Blest Are They."***

**There is room at each table for several people to light candles at one time.**

✝ PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**A** With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*Petitions follow. Each petition ends...*

**A** Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**



***Continuing Prayer Concerns***

*Joy Anderson; Jenny Arneson;  
Sharon & Paul Banitt;  
Mary Boatwright;  
Peggy Bowman; Charline Burns;  
Jean Clausen; Shirley Cropper;  
Vi Dorumsgaard; Katie Falang;  
Ed Femrite; Joann Femrite;  
Ted Femrite; Renae Frasee;  
Kara Fraser; Kimberly Garner;  
Dawn Jackson; Jeff McQuarrie;  
June Mondeng;  
Juliana Palmer; Jean Pope;  
Walt Schopf;  
Arden & Joyce Swanson;  
Vi Tefft; Vesta Todd;  
Stephanie Vavrichuk;  
Marion White; Andrew;  
Annette and family; Sveah;  
Gretchen; Bre; Pastor Jo; those  
who are homebound or in  
nursing homes or care centers.*

*Our continual prayers are offered  
for peace. We pray for all of the  
world's governments, leaders,  
and peoples, especially for those  
who work toward peace.*

*To have someone's name added  
to or removed from this list,  
contact Phil Holzman.*



## Please join us for The Lord's Supper

All are invited to join us in the Lord's Supper. We believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine and that we receive God's grace and forgiveness through this meal. Those adults and children not communing with us are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

There are gluten-free wafers available for those who need them. Simply indicate this to the communion server.

*After the final petition...*

**P** Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

✝ PEACE

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** **And also with you.**

## Meal

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM  
*Jesus, Son of Mary*

Senior Choir  
arr. Jeremy Bankson

✝ OFFERTORY

ELW Hymn 184

***Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful***

✝ OFFERING PRAYER

**P** Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

✝ GREAT THANKSGIVING

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

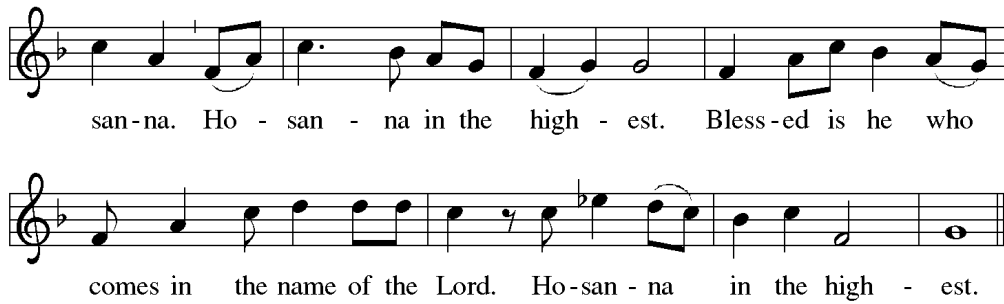
**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**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, our duty and our joy...  
join their unending hymn...





## Flowers

*The flowers on the altar  
today are given by Shirley  
Fors for All Saints Sunday.*

## ✝ 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.**

## INVITATION AND DISTRIBUTION

*We serve communion by intinction. Receive a wafer and dip it into the larger chalice containing wine or into the smaller chalice containing grape juice.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

***It Is Well with My Soul***

ELW Hymn 785

***Shall We Gather at the River***

ELW Hymn 423

## ✝ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**☐** Let us pray. Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**☐ Amen.**

## *Sending*

## ✝ BLESSING

## ✝ SENDING SONG

ELW Hymn 873

***Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!***

## ✝ DISMISSAL

**☐** Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

**☐ Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

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***Our Core Values at  
Gustavus Adolphus  
Lutheran Church***

***love  
joy  
hope  
compassion  
spirituality  
forgiveness  
acceptance  
respect***



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**God's Mission for Gustavus  
Adolphus Church –**

***To build  
community  
where God is at  
the center.***

***Serving Today***

Ministers  
Presiding Minister & Preacher  
Assisting Minister  
Minister of Worship & Music  
Lector  
Sacristan  
Transportation

The Baptized people of GA Church  
Pastor Don Fulton  
Joel Lurvey  
Deacon Phil Holzman  
Carlotta Rosebrock  
Kathy Schuette  
Jon Stoewer