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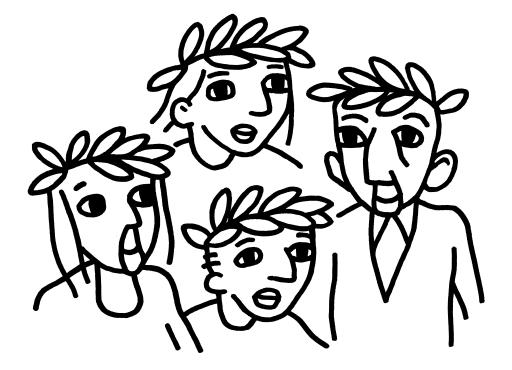
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# St. Stephen Lutheran Church

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All Saints Sunday

November 3, 2024

Welcome to worship in Jesus's name! We hope that you will hear a word of encouragement during this service which will convey the fullness of God's love for you.

Hearing assistance (via our Loop system) is available for those with hearing aids. Headphones are located in the back of the church.

At St. Stephen, all are welcome at the Lord's Table! Ushers will lead you forward for communion at the rail. Grape juice is offered in the center ring of the tray at the rail, and gluten free wafers are also available at the rail if you desire that option.

The Prelude

#### RINGING of the BELLS

#### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **Amen.** 

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.** 

Please **STAND** for the **HYMN** 

Hymn: Shall We Gather at the River

#### 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE/This Is the Feast

Hymnal pg. 101

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The congregation is **SEATED** 

FIRST LESSON (Pew Bible pg. 568)

Isaiah 25:6-9

**PSALM** (read responsively) (Pew Bible pg. 436)

Psalm 24

SECOND LESSON (Pew Bible pg. 1007)

Revelation 21:1-6a

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (please stand) Hymnal pg. 102

GOSPEL LESSON (Pew Bible pg. 874)

John 11:32-44

## THIS WEEK AT ST. STEPHEN CHURCH

Sunday, November 3rd All Saints	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am—12:00 pm 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Worship Trust Fund Committee Mtg. Fall/Christmas Bazaar at Pilgrim Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980 Worship Telecast on TDS Channel 14 AA
Monday, November 4th	11:00 am 3:00 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Staff Mtg. Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980 Bell Choir Dartball
Tuesday,	10:00 am	Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980
November 5th	10:30 pm	Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980
Wednesday,	5:30 pm	Confirmation
November 6th	6:30 pm	Combined Choir
Thursday,	8:30 am	Quilting
November 7th	6:00 pm	Al-Anon
Sunday, November 10th	9:00 am 12:00 pm 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Worship Worship Telecast on Spectrum Channel 980 Worship Telecast on TDS Channel 14 Crossways Camps Mtg. AA

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# St. Stephen Weekly

#### All Saints Sunday

November 3rd, 2024

On Sunday, October 27th, 54 people attended the 9am Worship Service.

A HUGE thank you to Marv Krueger, Nancy Prigge, and Shauna Robinson who bagged and delivered coats and other winter apparel from the Coats for Kids to the Wausau School District. office The items will be distributed to the schools. The students in need will appreciate all of the generous donations from our church and Immanuel Lutheran Church.

**Silent Auction**—This is the first Sunday that we are presenting the baskets for bidding and they are all on display in the lounge area. Have you taken a look and put a bid down? Next Sunday will be your last chance. We will close the auction during coffee hour and distribute the baskets to the winning bidder. You do not have to be present to win. We will call you and you will be responsible to come into the office area to pick up your treasure.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will be holding a Fall/Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, November 3rd from 10am until noon. There will be baked goods and homemade soups for sale by the quart or pint, craft tables with homemade treasures, and a silent auction featuring handcrafted quilts and various baskets.

Mandy Roberts from Thrivent will be hosting an education series in the Chapel from 10:15 until 11:30am on Sunday, November 17th and the topic will be, "Prepare Wisely: Estate Strategy Essentials". This session is good for people planning their own estate. There will be one final series, date TBD, and the topic will be, "Your Legacy: Family, Church, and Charity". This session is about generosity opportunities available as you age.

**Saturday Crafterdays are back!** November 23rd and December 14th from 9am until 4pm. Bring your favorite craft and join us upstairs in the choir room. Come for the morning or the afternoon, or both! We'll have fun and we'll have snacks and coffee. Pack a lunch or there are many restaurants downtown.

St. Stephen will be hosting the Community Dinner on Sunday, November 24th at First Presbyterian Church. We will be collecting donations of chips, drinks, desserts, etc. Please look at the bulletin board across from the office to see what is needed.

The quilters are in need of flat sheets, any size or color (preferably not white), clean, free of stains, and no holes, for Lutheran World Relief quilting. If you have sheets that you would like to donate, you may place them in the Nursery (at the end of the hall; last door on the left).

If you are interested in hosting Coffee Hour (or just bringing in treats) there is a sign-up sheet is on the table in the lounge.

Our 2 family restrooms are located in the hallway by the church office.

**SERMON** 

Pastor Karoline Schwantes

Please STAND for the HYMN of the DAY

Hymn of the Day: For All the Saints

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#### APOSTLES' CREED

We have been made God's people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **PRAYERS**

The Assisting Minister ends each petition with, "Merciful God," the congregational response is, "receive our prayer."

#### **PEACE** is shared

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** 

**OFFERING** 

**VOLUNTARY** 

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

#885

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Hymnal pg. 107

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS Hymnal pg. 108

**COMMUNION** (If you would prefer communion in the pew, please let an usher know.)

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

LAMB OF GOD Hymnal pg. 112

Hymn during Communion: O God, Our Help in Ages Past

#632

(Eucharistic Ministers may come forward for a communion kit at this time.)

**BLESSING** 

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** 

**BENEDICTION** 

Announcement of MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Please **STAND** for the **HYMN** 

Hymn: Soon and Very Soon #439

DISMISSAL

Go in peace.

Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The Postlude

#### **NOVEMBER 2024 MEMORIALS**

#### **Capital Campaign**

In memory of the love of my life, Butch Bliese who went to be with our Lord on October 28, 2023 and my dear friend, Carrie Nordgren, who went to be with our Lord on October 17, 2024 –

Mary Beth Tolley

These are memorials received through Monday, October 28th. If you would like a memorial placed in the November bulletins and December newsletter, it needs to be to the office by Monday, November 18th. Thank you!