

✠ All Saints Sunday • November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 ✠

**Worship Notes:** • Our Lector is Kimi Dail • Our Crucifer is Teresa Boykin • Our Banner Bearer is Amy Kehl • Our Bible Bearer is Kimi Dail • Altar Flowers are given by the McArver family to the glory of God and in memory of all members of Incarnation who have joined the community of saints. •

**WE GATHER IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN**

*In case of inclement weather, we will gather in the Sanctuary.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. **Amen.**

**Holy One, we confess our brokenness before you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.**

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Savior, opens the door to us. Through ✠ Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world. **Amen.**

*The congregation is invited to process into the Sanctuary.*

**GATHERING HYMN: ELW 695**

As Saints of Old  
FOREST GREEN



1 As saints of old their first-fruits brought of or - chard, flock, and field  
2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la - bor, love, and give;  
3 In grat - i - tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to - day



to God, the giv - er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,  
to make our life an of - fer - ing to God, that all may live.  
to serve your cause and share your love with all a - long life's way.



so we to - day first - fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land,  
The church of Christ is call - ing us to make the dream come true:  
O God, who gave your - self to us in Je - sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.  
 a world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.  
 teach us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

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Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune

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*Please be seated.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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.**

### CANDLELIGHTING: WOV 691

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

*The congregation is invited to come forward during the singing of the hymn and light a candle in honor of a loved one who now rests with God.*



- 1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, sing the res - ur - rec - tion song!
- 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing all that eye has yet per - ceived!
- 3 Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who once was dead.



Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry, to the for - mer days be - long.  
 Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing nev - er that full joy con - ceived.  
 Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es! Child of God, lift up your head!



All a - round the clouds are break - ing, soon the storms of time shall cease;  
 God has prom - ised, Christ pre - pares it, there on high our wel - come waits.  
 Life e - ter - nal! Oh, what won - ders crowd on faith; what joy un - known,



in God's like - ness we a - wak - en, know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
 Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it, Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.  
 when, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders, saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

Text: William J. Irons, 1812–1883, alt.

Music: MISSISSIPPI, William Bradley Roberts, b. 1947

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## **A PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE:**

Pastor: We lift before you the people we love who have died during the past year. We remember them in love, give thanks for their lives, and celebrate their victory through Christ our Lord.

Pastor: For the faithful who have gone before us and are at rest, let us give thanks to the Lord.

Pastor: For the life of Kitty Ballentine, **we thank you, Lord.**

For the life of Michael Ballentine, **we thank you, Lord.**

For the life of Tom Fryar, **we thank you, Lord.**

For the life of Ansel Gantt, **we thank you, Lord.**

For the life of family and friends, colleagues and neighbors, **we thank you, Lord.**

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. Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and all of creation into your hands, gracious God, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

### **FIRST READING:** Revelation 7:9-17

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>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, <sup>12</sup>singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." <sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that 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. <sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup>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."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 34:1-10, 22**

*Refrain*

Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD; for  
those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

*Psalm Tone*

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

**SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3**

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ACS 1035**

Though the Earth Shall Change



Though the earth shall change, though the moun-tains trem-ble,



though the wa - ters rage, you, God, are here.



Though the na - tions war, though the peo - ples bat - tle,



though the em - pire fal - ters, we will not fear.

Text: Rolf Vegdahl, b. 1955, and Tom Witt, b. 1957, based on Psalm 46

Music: WE WILL NOT FEAR, Tom Witt

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**GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12**

*Before the Reading:* The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

*After the Reading:* This is the gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

Pastor Emily Willhide

*Please stand as able.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** ELW 422

For All the Saints  
*SINE NOMINE*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**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 OF INTERCESSION**

Each petition concludes "*Hear us, O God.*" We respond: "**Your mercy is great.**"

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*


## MEAL

*The offering plate will be passed throughout the Congregation.*

*Please stand as able.*

### OFFERTORY: Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

*Stanzas 1, 2 and 4 sung by choir and congregation*



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright  
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more  
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su -

ser - apts, cher - u - bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain: "Al - le -  
glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, lead their praises; "Al - le - lu -  
per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, pow'rs, arch -  
ia!" Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal word, most  
lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and

an - gels, vir - tues, an - gel choirs: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
God the Spir - it, Three in One: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia!" Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia!" Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia!" Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

### 3 *Sung by choir*

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
yet patriarchs and prophets blest:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!"  
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
all saints triumphant, raise the song:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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## OFFERING PRAYER

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. **Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING: p.152

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: p.108

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.... we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



## 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 TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Please be seated.*

**COMMUNION** - *We invite you to join with us in the sacrament of Holy Communion, as Jesus invites us all to the table. Please take an empty communion glass from the trays at the front of the church. The innermost ring of glasses are pre-filled with grape juice for those who prefer juice to wine. There are discard trays by the side aisles. Please follow the directions of the Ushers.*

LAMB OF GOD: p.112

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 628  
ELW 428

Jerusalem, My Happy Home  
LAND OF REST  
Give Thanks for Saints  
REPTON

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Please stand as able.*

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of Father, Son, and Spirit, be with you today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: ELW 423

Shall We Gather at the River  
HANSON PLACE

DISMISSAL:

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Meditation on St. Catherine

Charles Callahan

*Join us for Coffee Hour in the fellowship hall after worship.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult and Children's Sunday School: 9:00 am

Worship: 10:00 am

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm M-F

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## Prayer List

- Current Concerns: The family of Daisy Mae Davis, Olivia Spires, Debbie Sawicki, Grady Lindler, Karen Howell, Bill Lamb, Jeff DeJames, Peace in Israel & Palestine, and all homebound and caregivers.
- Continuing Concerns: The family of Larry Morton, Elizabeth Johnson, Sue Anderson, Daphne Rushe, Theresa Yaussy, Joe DeMichael, Harry Evans, Meredith Schulz
- Military: Hilary Compton, Kim Yerrick's niece; Tyler Owens, Kim Yerrick's nephew.

## New Members

We are welcoming new members next Sunday, November 12th. If you're interested in joining ILC please let Pastor Emily know.

## Pledge Cards

Please make sure to return your pledge cards to the office!

## General Offering - Fund

	Actual	Plan	Difference
Last Week	\$3,332	\$5,000	\$1,668-
October	\$33,065	\$25,000	\$8,076+
Year-to-Date	\$215,852	\$215,000	\$852+

## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, November 5th

Oktoberfest Hotwash after Worship

### Tuesday, November 7th

6:30 pm CDC Board Meeting

### Thursday, November 9th

Mary Martha Meeting at 6 pm

### Friday, November 10th

Office Closed in honor of Veterans Day. Thank you to those who have served!

## Little Free Pantry

THE LITTLE FREE PANTRY IS EMPTY! Please consider making a food donation or financial donation to the Little Free Pantry.

Items Needed:

Crackers, Cereal, Canned meat, Pop top containers, Fruit, Peanut Butter, Soup, Granola Bars, Cookies, Raisins

## Giving to ILC

Please consider giving to Incarnation Lutheran Church's ministries and projects.



Do you want to join Incarnation? If so, please contact the office at [office@incarnationlutheran.com](mailto:office@incarnationlutheran.com) so that we can gather your contact information and reach out to you.

## ILC Directory

We have started the process for developing an updated directory. If you are interested in helping to coordinate this, please contact the Office or Pastor Emily. This has been highly requested and we are excited to get started.

If you are interested in joining the Directory Team, we have a meeting on Wednesday, November 8th from 10:30 am - 11:00 am.

Photoshoot Dates:

- Friday, December 15th
- Saturday, December 16th
- Sunday, December 18th

Concert tonight and next Sunday!

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Second Calvary Baptist Church Columbia, SC Sunday   Nov. 5, 2023   4:00 PM	Shandon United Methodist Church Columbia, SC Sunday   Nov. 12, 2023   4:00 PM
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