8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP November 6, 2022 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Rev. Paul Swartz is a Lutheran Pastor in "Re-Firement." He has served churches in Ohio, Illinois and Indiana; developed a new congregation; served as an Assistant to the Bishop of the Ohio Synod, LCA; is an Emeriti Board member of his alma mater, Wittenberg University, and is the author of several journal articles.

The Lily Endowment awarded him a Clergy Renewal grant that enabled him to study and trace Luther's steps in Germany. He is enjoying combining his vocation with his avocation stamp collecting and is anxious to complete a book on Martin Luther, "A Life Stamped, Cancelled and Delivered" which will be "illustrated philatelically" from his vast world-wide Luther/Reformation Collection. That project was sidelined when its research began to reveal striking similarities between the reformer and The President which led to this publication. Having a son, now deceased and a daughter, Paul and his wife, Betty of 57 years, reside in Carmel, Indiana.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: "In Paradise" - H. Mulet

P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

You may either stand or kneel.

- P: God of resurrection life, we come before you today as those who would die to sin and rise to newness of life.
- C: Lower into the grave all selfishness, greed, and envy, all harmful desires and unworthy ambitions.
- P: Raise from death the good that is in us -- and gift us with the good that is not in us.
- C: Help us to love neighbors, strangers, and those we do not even like.
- P: We have failed you.
- C: We have failed our world.
- P: Give us the skill and the desire to bring healing into this world.
- C: Forgive us the sins we can name and the sins we cannot name.

(Silence to ponder our wrongs.)

- P: Lord, make us channels of blessing for the impoverished and injured souls of this world.
- C: In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:

- P: As the Apostle Paul teaches us in Romans chapter 5: If in Adam and Eve all have died—so now--in Jesus Christ--all are made alive. Let us rejoice in the lifegiving power of God's unconditional love. Our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake.
- C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "For All the Saints"



Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

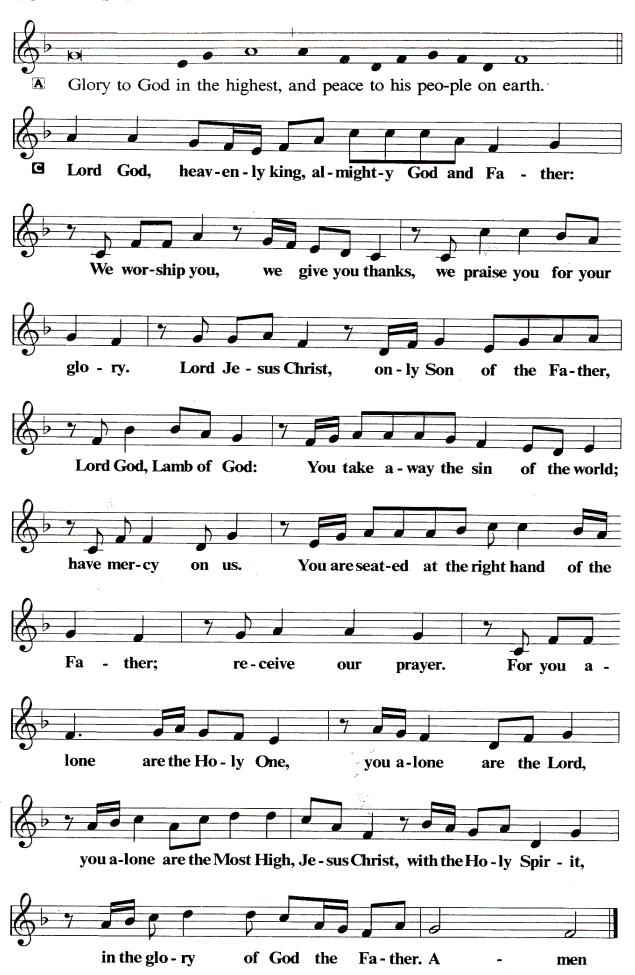
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APOSTOLIC GREETING:

- P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE:



PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P. The Lord be with you
- C. And also with you.
- P. Let us pray

Almighty God, we thank you for all your saints, known and unknown. We thank you for declaring all of us "holy" through your grace alone. Help us to grow and walk in your gift of grace. Amen.

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

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PSALM 149 - Spoken responsively, the congregation speaks the lines in **bold** print.

¹Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

²Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

³Let them praise their maker's name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.

⁴For the LORD takes pleasure in the people and adorns the poor with victory.

⁵Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them sing for joy on their beds.

⁶Let the praises of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand,

7to wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

8 to bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron,

⁹to inflict on them the judgment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

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GOSPEL: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 6:20-21

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C. Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading of the Gospel:

P. The Gospel of the Lord"

C. Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON:

Pastor Paul Swartz

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Shall We Gather at the River"



Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899 Music: Robert Lowry

APOSTLES' CREED:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" - arr. Stephen Cleobury

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly minded for with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of Kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture in the body and the blood He will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

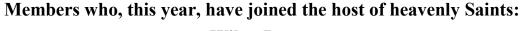
Rank on rank the hosts of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Lord most high!

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")

P. Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.



Wilna Braun Jane Starr Elmer "Andy" Anderson

At this time, you may offer up the names of any recently deceased loved ones.



PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING:

(The offering is presented as the Offertory is sung by the congregation.)



OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- P. Merciful Father,
- C. we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

COMMUNION LITURGY

P. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE 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.

HOLY COMMUNION:

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.

As you approach the altar rail, please keep a good space between yourself and others.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

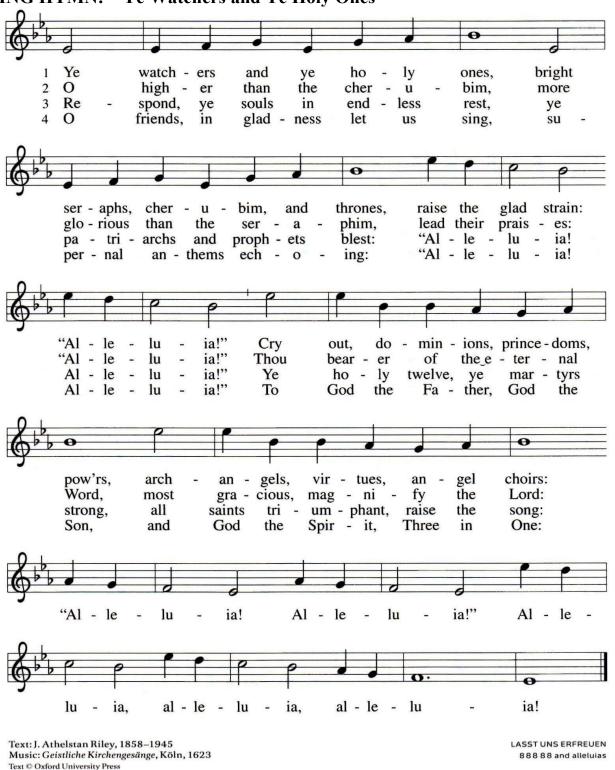
P. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION:

- P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"



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DISMISSAL:

- P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "For All the Saints" – C. Callahan

Today's altar flowers are given by Steve & Christi Tam in honor of Arya's birthday, and by Mark & Linda Pillar in honor of Matt Gobert's birthday.