



## FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### CASUAL WORSHIP

November 6, 2022 - 11:15 a.m.

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

#### WELCOME TO THE LORD'S HOUSE!

We are so glad to have you with us this morning! There is an extended time of praise and worship at the beginning of the service, and we want you to worship your Lord as you feel comfortable. All forms of worship are acceptable, such as singing, clapping, standing, sitting, kneeling, and dancing. Please worship your God in a way that draws you closer to Him!

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.

## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING PRAYER:

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.

### FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

<sup>1</sup>In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup>I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup>and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

<sup>15</sup>As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup>I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup>"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup>But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

## WORSHIP & PRAISE

### SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

<sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

## **WORSHIP & PRAISE**

### **TIME OF OPEN PRAYER**



**Members who, this year, have joined the host of heavenly Saints:**

**Wilna Braun  
Jane Starr  
Elmer "Andy" Anderson**

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

## **BLESSING OF THE OFFERING**

### **GOSPEL READING: Luke 6:20-31**

<sup>20</sup>Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup>"Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup>"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup>"But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup>"Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup>"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

<sup>27</sup>"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you."

## **SERMON**

**Pastor Paul Swartz**

## **BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

### **Confession:**

P. As you are willing, repeat this prayer after me:

Almighty God, I have sinned against you, in thought, word, and deed—by what I have done, and by what I have left undone.

I have not loved you with my whole heart.

I have not loved my neighbor as myself.

Forgive me. Renew me. Lead me. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

### **Forgiveness:**

P. The Lord has already embraced us in complete forgiveness. Otherwise, we would not be able to make this kind of confession. We stand here, forgiven. We are free men and women, boys and girls—through the loving embrace of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **APOSTLES' CREED:**

**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**

## **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. The floor is marked where you may stand or kneel.*

**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 WORSHIP & PRAISE****SERVING FIRST TODAY**

Pastor: Pastor Paul Swartz

Greeters/Usher: John & Mary Ellen Wyman, & Dave Stocks

**WOUNDED HEALER PRAISE BAND**

Erika East, Annette Hull, Jennifer & Mike Langevin, Matt Pillar

**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.**