

Christ Hamilton United Lutheran Church
419 Bossardsville Road
Stroudsburg, PA

Celebrating All Saints Sunday
A Service of Word & Sacrament

11/1/2020



For All Your Saints
O Lord!

Welcome to Christ Hamilton! Worship is much different now. Thank you for joining with us in worship in whatever manner you can. If you are at home you can find a print copy of this service available on our website at www.chrighthamilton.org. Please print a copy of this bulletin so you might follow along with the video of our service if worshipping at home: share in the responses, sing the hymns, and pray the prayers.

Know that we are praying for you, our community, nation and world as we wander the wilderness this virus has caused us to walk together. Call us and connect with us whenever you need. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Visit us on our website: chrighthamilton.org and check out our Facebook page.

Today's service: *All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME

*During the opening hymn, those of you who have called the office about remembering a loved one, please feel free to come up and light a candle for loved ones lost during **previous years**. Take a small taper candle (take this with you!), light it from our large candle and use that flame to light an individual votive candle. **Please note:** those we lost **this year** will be remembered at a specific point during the service and their candle will be lit by our lay assistant. At the end of the service you may take your votive and keep it lit during the day in remembrance of your loved ones.*

For All the Saints

verses 1-4 only



1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest,
 2 You were their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,
 7 But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: the
 8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



all who by faith be - fore the world con - fessed,
 you, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old
 saints . . . tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray;
 gates . . . of pearl streams in the count - less host,



your name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest,
 you, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
 and win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 the King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



4 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine,
 5 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
 6 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;



we fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine;
 steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song,
 soon, soon to faith - ful war - riors comes their rest;



yet all are one with - in your great de - sign,
 and hearts are are the one brave with - in your great de - sign,
 sweet is the calm of a - gain and arms are strong,
 the the of par - a - dise the blest,



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GREETING

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

KYRIE



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
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Hymn of Praise

Glory to God



☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



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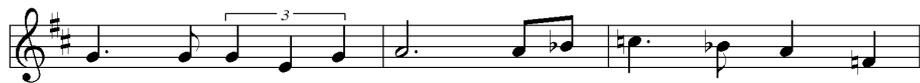
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



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glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Minister: 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.

All: Amen.

FIRST READING

REVELATION 7:9-17

Reader: A reading from the 7th chapter of Revelation.

⁹After 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. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹And 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, ¹²singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I 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.

¹⁵For 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. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for 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.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Sung responsively.

PSALM

Psalm 34:1-10, 22



Cantor: ¹I will bless the LORD | at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

All: I will glory | in the LORD;
let the lowly hear | and rejoice.

Cantor: Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;
let us exalt God's | name together.

All: I sought the LORD, who | answered me
and delivered me from | all my terrors.

Cantor: Look upon the LORD | and be radiant,
and let not your faces | be ashamed.

All: I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me
and saved me from | all my troubles.

Cantor: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear
the LORD
and de- | livers them.

All: Taste and see that the | LORD is good;
happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!

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

All: The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing | that
is good.

Cantor: O LORD, you redeem the life | of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will | not be
punished.

SECOND READING**1 JOHN 3:1-3**

Reader: A reading from the 3rd chapter of First John.

¹See 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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

Minister: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

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

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

⁴“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

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

⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

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

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

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

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

For All Your Saints, O Lord

1 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to live,
2 For all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die,
3 They all in life and death, with you, their Lord, in view,
4 For this, your name we bless and hum - bly pray a - new blest,
5 To God, the Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, ev - er blest,

who fol - lowed you, o - beyed, a - dored, our grate - ful hymn re - ceive.
who count - ed you their great re - ward, ac - cept our thank - ful cry.
learned from your Ho - ly Spir - it's breath to suf - fer and to do.
that we like them in ho - li - ness may live and die in you.
the One in Three, the Three in One, be end - less praise ad - dressed.

Remembering the Saints

Minister: Today we especially remember all the saints before God.

Let us pray . . . We praise and bless you, O holy Trinity.

You have taught your church that it is an ageless communion of saints.

We thank you for gathering those who faithfully waited in Hope for the redemption you promise in the waters of baptism. Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you.

We pause to thank you for the lives of those who have died in this last year who we were blessed enough to know.

Thank you for placing them in our lives. We especially remember:

Candles are lit as names are read:

Norm Pirie

Elsie Ebert

Annemarie Sombert

Dot Bittenbender

Chet Anthony

David Ebel

Timothy Hall

Ronald Sieg

Elaine Bryson

Barbara Jacobs

Jesse Wells

Larry Peechatka

Jay Hines

We also lift to you at this time those near and dear to us who have died. Those we raise to you now from our lips and from our hearts.

Prepare a place for us among those who are already with you. Help us live as your faithful disciples. We pray this through the one who is the Alpha and the Omega.

All: Amen.

Minister: Christ says, Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart,

All: And you will find rest for your souls.

Minister: For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

All: And you will find rest for your souls.

NICENE CREED

Minister: Let us confess our faith together.

**All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified.**

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

Prayers

Assisting Minister: Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need . . .

Lord of all the saints, we praise you for evangelists and martyrs whose sacrifices witness to your gospel across time and space. Inspire us by their courage to carry our faith to new people and places around us. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Lord of every place, the universe proclaims your greatness from generation to generation. Bless the work of naturalists, conservationists, and park rangers who train our attention to the wonders of the world you have made. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Lord of every nation, guide this country—red states and blue states, rural voters and urban voters, young and old—as we share in another national election. Kindle hearts eager to understand our common needs and seek our common good. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Lord of every blessing, your Son's blessing came to those living with poverty, grief, hunger, thirst, and persecution. Shape our vision of the saints to match his own. Awaken in us your call to serve all who suffer. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Lord of every venture, anoint us with the missionary spirit of the early church. Bless all new missions of our synod especially be with Bishop Zeiser and Bishop elect Deforest. Empower testimony from new communities of faith to shape a diverse witness to your saving power. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Lord of every time, countless are the multitudes you have called by name and gathered to yourself. Comfort us as we grieve those who have died in the past year. In faith, may we join with them in ceaseless praise. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, until that day when you gather all creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever.

With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; and we share in the prayer Jesus taught us.

**All: 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,
for ever and ever. Amen**

If you have not done so and would like to leave an offering please do so at this time in the bins provided or as you exit the service.

Offering

Offertory

The Trumpets Sound the Angels Sing



1 The trum-pets sound; the an - gels sing; the feast is
 2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; O taste the
 3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heaven are o - pen wide,
 peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
 poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heaven and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
 he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
 the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.

Refrain



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.



Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin;



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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. . . . Blessed are you,

All: Lord our God, maker of all things.

Through your goodness

you have blessed us with these gifts.

With them we offer ourselves to your service

**and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all
that you have made,**

for the sake of him who gave himself for us,

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Minister: 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:

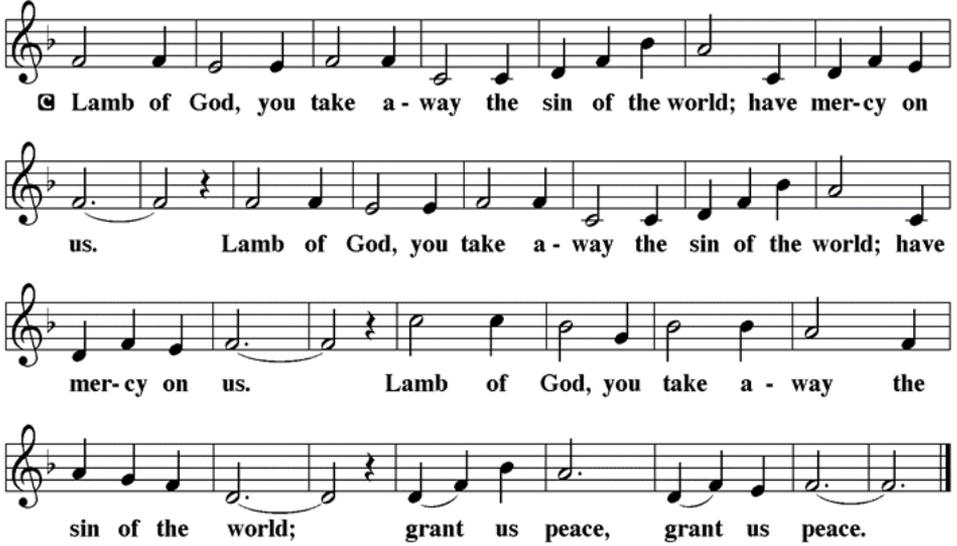
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of

sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Communion

We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Ushers will bring the prepackaged wafer and grape juice to you. Please indicate how many will be taking communion to the usher and hold out the plate and the usher will place the containers on it. **Please open the packet – but do not take the wafer or juice until the pastor has indicated in order that we might commune together.**



☞ 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.

After all have returned to their places.

COMMUNION BLESSING

Minister: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: Amen.

PRAYER

Assisting Minister: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

All: Amen.

BLESSING

Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you † peace.

All: Amen.

For All the Saints

verses 1, 5-8



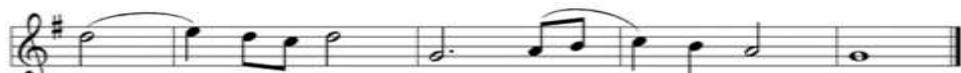
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Dismissal:

Assisting Minister: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders

Minister	Rev. Steven C. Claycomb
Assistant Minister	John Balas
Reader:	Kathleen Hinton
Cantor:	John Balas
Keyboard	Gail Haydt
Announcements	Dan Courtright

IMPORTANT: At the October council meeting, CHULC Council decided **NOT TO MOVE** into the Lighthouse. Due to the increasing COVID-19 cases and for the safety and health of all our members we will remain worshiping **OUTSIDE** through November.

Flowers for today's service are given in memory of loved ones by Bob and Christine Reeder.

Please Remember in Prayer: Gary Kapostas, Bob Conville, Joan Gumm, Joseph Polacek, Sandy Haney, Henry McCool, Diane Datesman and Ruth Ann Helriegel.

Pledge Cards: You should be receiving your pledge cards in the mail this week. Please return it to church either in the offering tubs or by mail: CHULC, 419 Bossardsville Rd., Stroudsburg, PA 18360

Greeter/Lector Opportunities: If you would like to volunteer to greet or read the lessons for one of our church services please call the office 570-992-4085.

Medical Equipment Needs? If you or someone you know are in need of a walker, cane, shower seat etc. please call the church office. We have many gently used items of this nature that can be utilized by those in need.

Adult Sunday School Starting: We will have an adult Sunday school class using a book by Rabbi Harold Kushner, “The Lord is my Shepherd.” Until the books arrive, Pastor Steve will host the adult study from 10:30 to 11:30; also in the nursery.

SAVE-THE-DATES:

November 14th, 9am-12pm: CHULC Clean-up, bring all your outdoor landscaping equipment and lots of energy!

November 15th, 1:30-3:30: Stephen Ministry “Surviving the Holidays”

November 15th, 4:30-5:30: Free community take-out meal, call the church office to give your name and # of meals you need.

December 5th, 8am-2pm: Matthew Kolb Memorial Blood Drive in the Lighthouse, more information to follow.

December 6th, 1:30-3:30: Stephen Ministry “Surviving the Holidays”

*For All the Saints
who from their labors rest*



Norm Pirie

Elsie Ebert

Annemarie Sombert

Dot Bittenbender

Chet Anthony

David Ebel

Timothy Hall

Ronald Sieg

Elaine Bryson

Barbara Jacobs

Jesse Wells

Larry Peechatka

Jay Hines



November 15th or December 6th, 1:30-3:30

Masks are required, social distancing guidelines
will be followed.

Are you grieving a loved one's death?

When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holiday season can be especially painful. Our ***Surviving the Holidays*** seminar helps participants discover:

- How to deal with emotions
- What to do about traditions
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to find hope for the future

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