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November 3, 2024

All Saints Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Service of the Word - Holy Communion Setting 6 - ELW Year B

INTRODUCTION

Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year's All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John's gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.

PRELUDE

Announcements are on page 17-18.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

Please stand if you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

For All the Saints

ELW 422

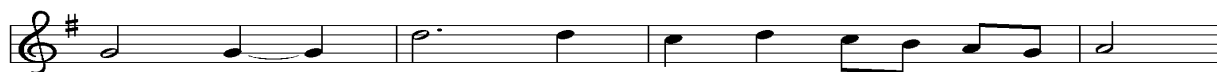
For All the Saints



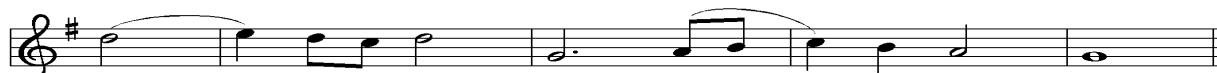
1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for-tress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 on facing page.
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glo-rious day; the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from o-cean's far-thest coast, through



thee by faith be-fore the world con-fessed, thy
 Lord, their cap-tain in the well-fought fight; . . .
 saints tri-um-phant rise in bright ar-ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count-less host, . . .



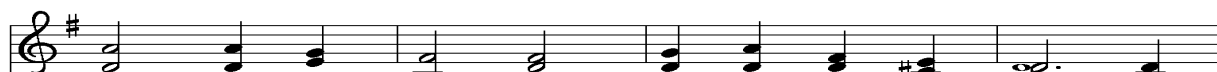
name, O Je-sus, be for-ev-er blest.
 thou, in the dark-ness dread, their one true light.
 King of glo-ry, pass-es on his way.
 sing-ing to Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost:



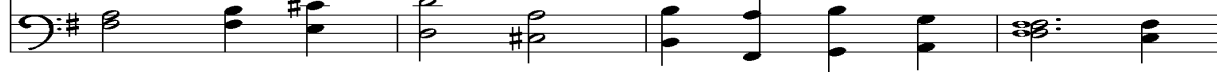
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



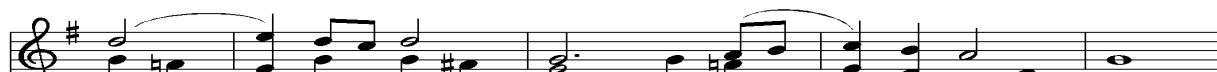
3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long,
 5 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west;



we fee-bly strug-gle, they in glo-ry shine; yet
 steals on the ear the dis-tant tri-umph song, and
 soon, soon to faith-ful ser-vants com-eth rest; . . .



all hearts are one in thee, for all are thine.
 sweet are the brave in a-gain and arms are strong.
 is the calm of gain and arms are the blest.



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



Text: William W. How, 1823-1897
 Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958
 Outside USA: Music from *The English Hymnal*, © Oxford University Press 1906.

GREETING

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

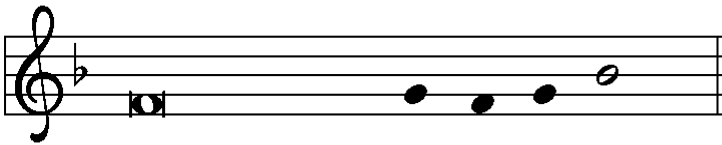
And also with you.

CHILDREN GO TO JAM

The Children are invited to come forward. The children are dismissed for Children's Jam, Sunday School, returning during the Peace.

KYRIE

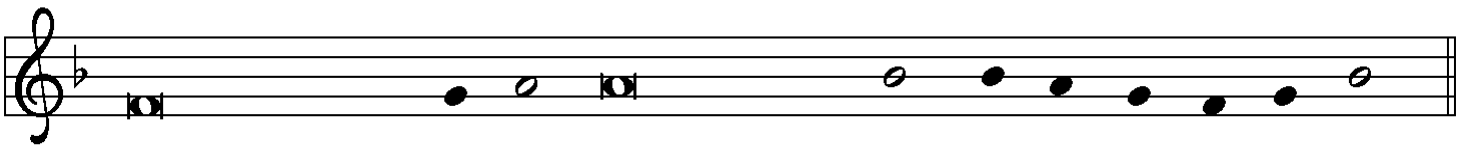
ELW Setting 6



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



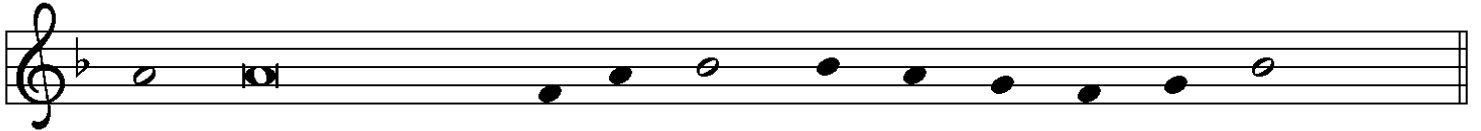
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



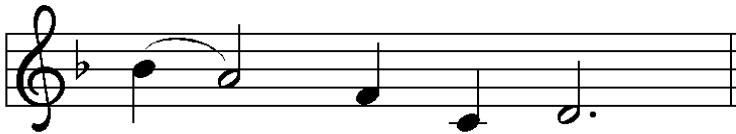
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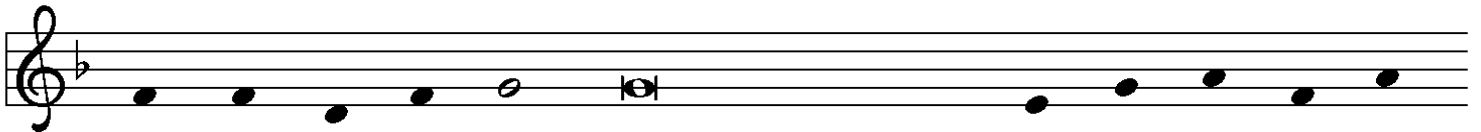
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



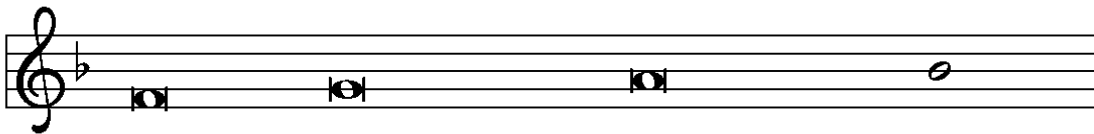
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God

ELW Setting 6

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - mighty God and Fa-ther,



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

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 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.

Final refrain



Glo - ry to God in the high - est.



A - men, a - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 24

Read responsively

¹The earth is the LORD's and all¹ that is in it,
the world and those who¹ dwell therein.

²**For the LORD has founded it up-¹ on the seas
and established it up-¹ on the rivers.**

³Who may ascend the mountain¹ of the LORD,
and who may stand in God's¹ holy place?

⁴**Those of innocent hands and puri-¹ ty of heart,
who do not swear on God's being,
nor do they pledge by¹ what is false.**

⁵They shall receive blessing¹ from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of¹ their salvation.

⁶**Such is the generation of those who seek¹ you, O LORD,
of those who seek your face, O¹ God of Jacob.**

⁷Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever-¹ lasting doors,
that the King of glory¹ may come in.

⁸**Who is this¹ King of glory?**

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, might-¹ y in battle!

⁹Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever-¹ lasting doors,
that the King of glory¹ may come in.

¹⁰**Who is this¹ King of glory?**

Truly, the LORD of hosts is the¹ King of glory.

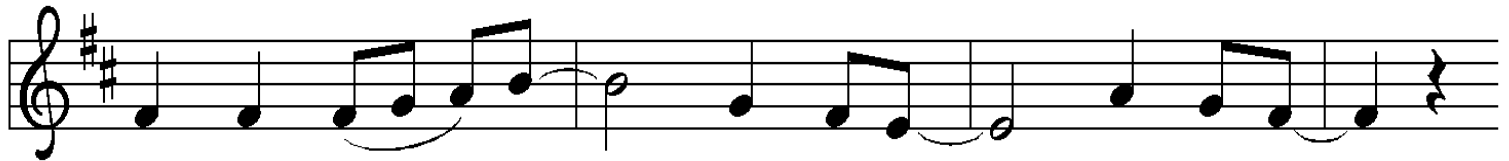
SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6a

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy gospel according to John, the 11th Chapter.

Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 11:32-44

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

REFLECTION

A brief silence for reflection.

Gwen Hedding

Please stand if you are able.

Soon and Very Soon



1 Soon and ver - y soon
 2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 3 No more dy - in' there,
 4 Soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 no more dy - in' there,
 soon and ver - y soon

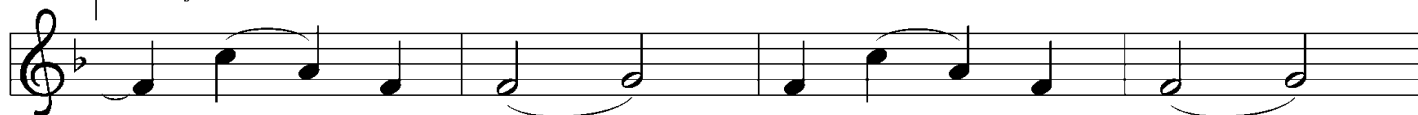


soon and ver - y soon
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
 no more dy - in' there,
 soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

Coda after stanza 4



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945
 Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch
 Text and music © 1976 Bud John Songs, Inc./Crouch Music, admin. EMI Christian Music Publishing

Please be seated.

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 into hell.**

**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

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence

Each petition ends:

Merciful God,
Receive our prayer.

Prayers conclude with:

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say:

Peace be with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC

Special Piano music

Please stand if you are able.

OFFERTORY:

ELW 185

Create in Me a Clean Heart *Offering Song*

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Music: *Liturgy of Joy*, James M. Capers, b. 1948
Music © 1993 Augsburg Fortress.

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.
Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name.
Amen.

DIALOGUE

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Last Sunday, we were reminded that
In the night in which he was betrayed, ...

Again, after supper ...
...Do this for the remembrance of me.

**Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy spirit,
all honor and glory is yours almighty Father,
now and forever.
Amen**

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.**

Communion has been pre-consecrated by Pastor Bob Kippley during worship service last week.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**Behold, God is making all things new.
Take your place in the new creation.
Thanks be to God!**

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
**The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond**
Amen.

The Lord's table is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

Please let the usher know if you need assistance.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION SONG

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 800

Please repeat until Communion is complete

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,

wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:

stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove,

and make me love you as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780–1860
 Music: MORECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–1897

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Faithful God,

you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son.

Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

ELW 631

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less

earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God!

<u>Disciples Serving:</u>	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
Presider/Supply	Gwen Hedding	Pastor Karen Matuska
Assisting Minister:	Cyrisse Cooley	Gwen Hedding
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Kathy Lambert/Linda Johnson	Kathy Lambert/Linda Johnson
Ushers/Greeters:	Tony Martinet	Tony Martinet
Counters:	Kathy & Steve/Sue Kastelic	Stacie Bowens/Leanne Neu
JAM:	Stacie Bowens/Denise Tristano	Children's Sermon

PRAYERS

<u>Members, Friends and Relatives</u>	<u>Added by Members</u>
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Robert Bogusch	Nephew of Kathy Lambert
John Centa	Bowens Family
Shirley DeRungs	People of Tabor
Virgie Giannetto	Lynn Truxell
Nina Jesmain	People of Tabor
Clay Kashner	People of Tabor
Sue Kastelic	People of Tabor
Will Nichols	Truxell & Vargues Families
Arlis Petersen	Mother of Leanne Neu
Audrey and Andrea Pitre	Friends of Emily Briggs
Pam Salas	People of Tabor
Jeremy Skaggs	Friend of the Wisthoff Family
Starcher Family	Friends of Emily Briggs
Caitlan Thorne & Family	Granddaughter of Kathy Lambert
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Charlotte Vargues	People of Tabor
Linda Wagner	Lynn Truxell

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

November 4	Ryan & Chris Kessinger	7 years
November 9	Kemper Bowens	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † Today is *All Saints Sunday*: Forms are provided here in the bulletin for those who wish to write down the names of their departed loved ones. The ushers will collect them with the offering, and the names will be placed upon the altar, so we can remember and give thanks for those we love who now rest safe in God's keeping.
- † Parents and guardians of JAM kids, please remember to fill out and return the blue Registration forms to Cyrisse as soon as possible.
- † Tabor's Annual Election Meeting will be on Sunday, November 17 after worship. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting.
- † Blessing of the Quilts will be on Sunday, November 10 during worship.
- † The next Lay Minister meeting will be on Monday, December 9 at 6:00pm



THE GOOD NEWS

TABOR TIDBITS WEEKLY UPDATE

October 31, 2024



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.



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The Blessing of the Quilts will be on Sunday, November 10 during worship. Come see the beautiful work our Quilting Ministry has done.



Tabor's Annual Congregational Election Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2024 immediately following worship. Please plan on attending.



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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Nov 4 Ryan & Chris Kessinger 7 years
Nov 9 Kemper Bowens



Please remember to bring your food items to fill the little Red Wagon in the Narthex. In addition to non-perishable food items, the PCC Food Pantry also accepts toiletries and personal hygiene items.



October General Offering: \$5931.00
Building Use: \$ 850.00
Offering needed per week: \$2149.90

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Children's Sermon



On All Saints Sunday we remember loved ones who have been laid in the tomb. We know the acute grief of Mary, Martha, and Jesus. We know the reality of death that lies so close. We know that at any moment the phone call could come with news we dread. We live forever in the shadow of death.

At the same time, we also know the little deaths that take place every day. We know the daily disappointments, the betrayal of a friend, a failure at work, a difficult and tumultuous marriage, the loneliness and pain of one longing for something more from life. Beyond that there are the near-constant reminders that much of this world is far from God's kingdom. How easy it is to look and see poverty and injustice, disease and despair all around. Like Lazarus, we are bound tightly in death's clothes: grief, disappointment, hopelessness.

Yet Jesus speaks the last word for us: "Unbind him, and let him go" (John 11:44). This promise is bursting with resurrecting life. This word is spoken by the one who became human and was put in a tomb, but broke through the pervasive stench of death. In the waters of the font, we hear our God speak this word to us. Lifting us out of the waters, God frees us from the binding rags of death and dresses us in the royal clothing of Christ. At the table, we feast with the God in whom we have waited, the God who swallows up death forever. The last word is not death, but life as a beloved child of God.

Clothed in the righteousness of Christ, God's people are called forth from the grave. Fellow saints rush forward to remove the rotting grave clothes. Together the people of God celebrate the hope and promise of resurrection, rising each new day to joyfully serve in the name of the one who is beyond death, Jesus our Savior.