

Our Saviour Lutheran Church



All Saints (observed)
2 November 2014

Welcome!

We are delighted to have you with us this morning to receive the Lord's gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee after the service.

Please also record your visit in the visitors' book at the back. If you would like a phone call or a pastoral visit, speak to the pastor or leave a note in the visitors' book.

The Offering

Members of this church are privileged to give to the Lord for the work of His church in this community and throughout the world. *Visitors should not feel obliged in any way to contribute to the offering plate.*

Children in the Service

It is a delight and a privilege to have children in the service. Children as much as adults are members of God's family and Jesus welcomes little children to Him.

There is a Sunday School for children during the sermon. The children leave at the beginning of the sermon and return to church after the prayers.

Please don't worry if your child won't sit still or quietly throughout the service. Most young children won't manage that! There is plenty of space at the back of the room. If you do need to take a child outside, the smaller room is available for that purpose.

Holy Communion

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, we eat and drink the true body and blood of Jesus in and with the bread and the wine, according to Jesus' own words. We also believe that those who participate in Holy Communion in a particular congregation should be in agreement in the confession of the faith.

If you are visiting us and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor *before the service*. Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Our teaching on this matter is explained in more detail in the little leaflet, 'Why Closed Communion?', which is available at the back of the church.

Thank you for honouring our beliefs.

Hymns: 510, 677, 672, 667

Catechism

- P** The Lord's Prayer, the Fourth Petition
- C** Give us this day our daily bread.
- P** What does this mean?
- C** God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realise this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.
- P** What is meant by daily bread?
- C** Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbours, and the like.

Introit (*Ps. 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Rev. 7:14b*)



- A** These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*
They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.
- C** In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to shame;*
in your righteousness de- | liver me!
- A** For you are my rock and my | fortress;*
and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.
- C** Into your hand I commit my | Spirit;*
you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.
- ❖ *Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now and will be forever. | Amen.*
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Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading—Revelation 7:9–17

Gradual (*Rev. 7:14b; Ps. 84:5*)

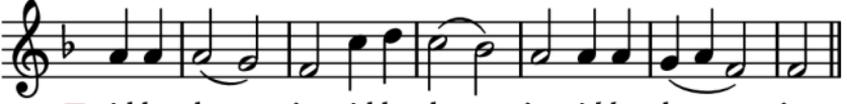
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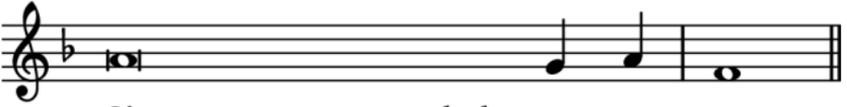
C Blessed are those whose strength | is in you,*
in whose heart are the highways to | Zion.

Epistle Reading—1 John 3:1–3

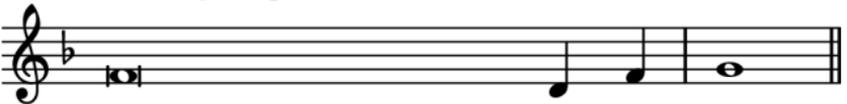
Alleluia & Verse (*Heb. 12:1a, 2a*)



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.



Since we are surrounded
by so great a cloud of wit - ness - es,*



Let us look to Jesus,
the founder and perfecter of our faith.



Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading—Matthew 5:1–12

IN OUR PRAYERS

Members

Ron; Frank; John; Barbara

Family of members

Diana (old age); Alex, Sarah & family; Roly (dementia);
Matthew (kidney injury)

Friends of members

Ilse Kelly (old age); Trevor (unemployed); Mary (health);
Gus and Mae (health); Claire and Phil (health); Helen
Kriewaldt (stroke, breast cancer); Johann Wiebusch (CP);
Karen & Phil (depression); Rob (depression); Bob Waters
(cancer); Ronnie (cancer); Sally (health); Leanne (health);
Bonnie & family of Ray & Doreen; Gina & family

ELCE

Lutheran Radio UK, *The British Lutheran*, Prs. Kriger &
Samiec; ELCE Board for Youth & University Students;
Wendy Nicolson (cancer); Pr. McNally

The Church of God

Holy Trinity CofE; SS Peter & Paul, Fr. Roger Jackson;
Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May; Somali Christian
Mission, Mohamed Gurhan; Pr. Roger Jones (stroke)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION

ARTICLE XXI: THE INVOCATION OF SAINTS

Our Confession approves honouring the saints in three ways. The first is thanksgiving. We should thank God because He has shown examples of mercy, because He wishes to save people, and because He has given teachers and other gifts to the Church. These gifts, since they are the greatest, should be amplified. The saints themselves, who have faithfully used these gifts, should be praised just as Christ praises faithful servants (Matthew 25:21,23).

The second service is the strengthening of our faith. When we see Peter's denial forgiven, we also are en-

couraged to believe all the more that grace truly super-abounds over sin (Romans 5:20). The third honour is the imitation, first of faith, then of the other virtues. Everyone should imitate the saints according to his calling. ...

We admit that, just as the saints (when alive) pray for the Church universal in general, so in heaven they pray for the Church in general.

Paragraph 4–6, 9

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

This Week

Today	12.15 pm	Voters' Assembly (Scout Hall)
Tue-Wed		Barnes Conference (Harlow) <i>No Matins or Vespers</i>
Thu	8.45 am	Matins (St. Francis)
	7.30 pm	Licensing of Fr. Roger Jackson at SS Peter & Paul— <i>no Bible study</i>
Fri	8.45 am	Matins (St. Francis)
Sat	10am–4pm	LWLGB workshop (Cambridge)
9 Nov	11 am	Remembrance Sunday Divine Service (N.B. service time)
	4.30 pm	Service at Brighton Mission

This Month

12 Nov	2 pm	Devotion at Kiln Lodge & Hunters Lodge
19 Nov	7.30 pm	Riding Lights Theatre Company at URC Fareham
20 Nov		ELCE/LCiGB annual clergy meeting (London)
23 Nov	5 pm	Pastor at Oxford Mission
26 Nov	2 pm	Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge & Merry Hall
28 Nov	3 pm	Bible study at Brighton Mission
29 Nov		Pastor at Finnish Carol Service in Leicester

Further ahead

7 Dec	4.30 pm	Finnish Carol Service (SS P&P)
14 Dec	5 pm	Latvian Carols Service (Brighton)
20 Dec	6 pm	Carol Service (St. Francis)

Next Sunday's Readings:

Exodus 32:1–20; 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18; Matthew 24:15–28

Daily Readings:

Sun: Jeremiah 1:1–19 Matthew 21:23–46 *Apology of the Augsburg Confession XXIV (XII): 30–34*
 Mon: Jer 3:6–4:2 Matt 22:1–22 *Ap XXIV (XII): 35–40*
 Tue: Jer 5:1–19 Matt 22:23–46 *Ap XXIV (XII): 41–51*
 Wed: Jer 7:1–29 Matt 23:1–12 *Ap XXIV (XII): 52–59*
 Thu: Jer 8:18–9:12 Matt 23:13–39 *Ap XXIV (XII): 60–67*
 Fri: Jer 11:1–23 Matt 24:1–28 *Ap XXIV (XII): 68–77*
 Sat: Jer 20:1–18 Matt 24:29–51 *Ap XXIV (XII): 78–88*
 Sun: Jer 22:1–23 Matt 25:1–13 *Ap XXIV (XII): 89–95*

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Remembrance Sunday: Change of Service Time

9 November is Remembrance Sunday. In order to mark the act of remembrance at the proper time of **11 am**, without disrupting the service itself, the morning service on that day will start

30 minutes later than usual.

Please be seated by 10:55 am.