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November 6, 2022- ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

10:30 AM – Communion Service/ ELW Setting 10 also on - www.facebook.com/durhamlutheran

Prelude - "It is Well With My Soul" - Arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome - Announcements

Introduction to Worship

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Julia Ann Michl

Baptismal Hymn - "Children of the Heavenly Father" ELW #781



Presentation

P: In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Sponsors: We present Julia Ann Michl for Holy Baptism.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your daughter baptized into Christ?

Parents: I do.

P: As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that she may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: I do.

P: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Julia in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: I do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support Julia and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

C: We do.

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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 to the dead. 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

Thanksgiving at the Font

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

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

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

P: Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring, you are the fire of rebirth. Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for cloud and rain, for dew and snow. Your waters are below us, around us, above us: our life is born in you. You are the fountain of resurrection. Praise to you for your saving waters: Noah and the animals survive the flood, Hagar discovers your well. The Israelites escape through the sea, and they drink from your gushing rock. Naaman washes his leprosy away, and the Samaritan woman will never be thirsty again. At this font, holy God, we pray: Praise to you for the water of baptism and for your Word that saves us in this water. Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation. Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears. Wash away the sin within us, and drown the evil around us. Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BAPTISM

P: Julia Ann Michl, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us pray. . . We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Julia Ann with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Julia Ann, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: Amen.

WELCOME

Cong. Rep: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify our Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Hymn – "For All the Saints"......ELW 422 vs. 1, 2

Apostolic Greeting - ELW page 138

Prayer of the Day

L: 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.

C: Amen.

(Please be Seated)

First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.

L: The First Reading is from the seventh chapter of Daniel

¹In 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: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I 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: ¹⁷"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

L: The Word of the Lord. C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Psalm: Psalm 149

¹Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song, God's praise in the assembly I 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 I name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambou- I rine and harp. ⁴For the LORD takes pleasure | in the people and adorns the | poor with victory. R ⁵Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph; let them sing for joy I on their beds. ⁶Let the praises of God be ¹ in their throat and a two-edged sword | in their hand, ⁷to wreak vengeance ^I on the nations and punishment I on the peoples, 8to bind their | kings in chains and their nobles with | links of iron, ⁹to inflict on them the judg- ^I ment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. I Hallelujah! R

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.

L: The Second Reading is from the first chapter of Ephesians

¹¹In 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, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In 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; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I 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, ¹⁸so 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, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great

power. ²⁰God 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, ²¹far 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. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

L: The Word of the Lord C: THANKS BE TO GOD

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand) ELW page 205

The Holy Gospel - Luke 6:20-31

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke:

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

P:

²⁰Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now,

for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

²²"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice 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.

²⁴"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

²⁵"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.

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

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

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

(Be seated after the gospel)

Sermon

Hymn of the Day – "For All the Saints"..... ELW 422 vs. 3, 4, 5

Prayers and Intercessions:

P: United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

P: Holy One, your church rests on the faithful who came before us. Give bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders the will to carry the church forward and discern your will for the future. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Holy One, the earth is yours and all that dwells within it. Care for places ravaged by natural disasters (*especially*). Quell raging fires and halt destruction caused by flooding. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Holy One, you raise up leaders to guide your people. Kindle in them a passion to care for others, a desire to seek the common good, and the courage to love their enemies. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Holy One, you bless those who are poor, hungry, and reviled. Provide food, housing, and security to all who are vulnerable or in crisis. May those who have more than enough give generously. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Holy One, hold us in community with one another. Nurture a spirit of abundant hospitality and intentional inclusion among us, welcoming the gifts of adults and children. Inspire creative visions for our life together. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Holy One, we remember in thanksgiving all those who have died. Let us remember those who together with us stood at the foot of the cross, who heard the Easter truths at the empty tomb, but who have during this past year, taken their final stops as saints of God and gone before us into the heavenly mansions.

Robert C. Starling – 12/13/21 Mary Ellen Jonczyk – 9/4/2022

Wipe away our tears and comfort us with the promise of everlasting life in you. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Along with the "Omega Saints," who have taken their last earthly steps of faith, we also recall with joy and thanksgiving those persons who have taken their first steps as Saints this year through your gracious act of Holy Baptism. We thank you for the new life you have given them through Holy Baptism. Especially, we ask you to bless:

Julie Catherine Heckman – 10/9/2022 Julia Ann Michl – 11/6/2022

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Be with each one of us as we continue our daily walks as Saints of God in the midst of a challenging world. Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

Offertory Choir Anthem: "Heavenly Home" - Mary McDonald

Offertory Prayer

P: Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (page 206)

P: Lift up your hearts. C: WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD.

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

C: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.

Preface for Pentecost (spoken by Pastor)

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" (sung) ELW pg. 207

Eucharistic Prayer (said by Pastor)

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion

P: Christ spreads a table before you. Gather here with all the saints.

Distribution of Bread & Fruits of the Vine (please follow ushers)

"Lamb of God" (sung) ELW pg. 208

Hymn during Distribution- "Shall We Gather at the River"......ELW #423

Communion Table Blessing (said by Pastor after all have communed)

Prayer after Communion (said by Pastor)

P: We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song: "For All Your Saints, O Lord"ELW #427

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace, be a blessing in the world.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: For All the Saints

Helping in Worship

Preacher - Rev. James Heckman

Organist/Choir Director - Carolyn Williams
Acolyte - Chase Aquino

Altar Guild - Lynn Sauder & Bea Von Watzdorf

Lector - Val McGinn

Greeters - Esther Crouse

Communion Usher - TBD
Council Counting Team - TBD

Technology - Ken Anderson
Office Secretary - Ken Anderson
Custodian - Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY, Sunday, November 6th All Saints' Sunday
- The food basket is given by Beth Snyder in memory of her mother Mary Ellen Jonczyk
- The Flowers are given by the Naska and Michl families in honor of Julia Ann Michl.
- The Adult Bible study meets on Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00 at the home of Don Seipt and Kathy Hlavaty.

UPCOMING ACTIVITES

- Sunday, Nov. 6th 5:30 to 7:30 pm Confirmation Class @ Durham
- Monday, Nov. 7th 10:00 am WELA meeting in the church fellowship hall.
- Monday, Nov. 7th 7:00 pm Palisades Lutheran Ministry Meeting @ St. Luke,
 Ferndale
- Monday, Nov. 14th 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting
- Tuesday, Nov. 15th 7:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting
- Monday, Nov. 21st 7:00 pm Living Nativity Planning Meeting @ Durham
- Friday, Nov. 25th Office Closed for Thanksgiving
- NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS NOVEMBER 8th Serena Ashmore; NOVEMBER 9th Lynn Gaun; NOVEMBER 10TH Martin Luther, Nicholas Phillips, Brendan Snyder; NOVEMBER 12th Tom Gaun, Mark Harwick, Matthew Mueller, Cathy Mueller
- NOVEMBER "OUTREACH OFFERINGS" are designated for World Hunger.
- •There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex for Food Basket donations. You can either buy the supplies for the basket or Helen Dungan can shop for you.

Please lift up in prayer the following ...

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Frank Erceg; Betty and George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Barbara Naska; Bethany Michl; Donnie Pyne; Don Seipt; and Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family: Wanda Altemose; Lynn Bailey; Ron and Kathy Ballek; Michael Barats; Anthony Beck; Aiden Benoure; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Emma Brown; Ollie Butler; Deb Carmichael; Stephanie Courtney; Jacob Currie; Miriam Deal, Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Nancy Edelen; Diane Ellington; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gerry Foran; Debbie Gardner; Candie Gimbar; Lois James & family; Virginia Johnson; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Jane Litzenberger; Chelsea Marley; Lenny Marin; Jim McAnally; Becky; Naska; Sue Odor; Lucia Otero; Debra Patten; Lisa Pezzino; Jennifer Phelps; Dr. Larry Rakowski, Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; Lani Schlegel; Debbie Schultz; David Sebring; Alex Sempt; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Nancy Vetter; Linda Wilson, and Henry Wong.

For those who are Homebound: Cleo & Ken Eck; Norma Fox; Phyllis Lanshe; Jayne Miller; Silas Rodenbach; and Hal Taylor.

For the grieving: Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Jeffrey Tapler