First English Lutheran Church

1311 East 18th Street

Spencer, Iowa 51301

8:00 & 10:45 am Communion Services

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All Saints
November 1 2026
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Prelude, Ringing of the Bell
(10:45 Service)

Choir – “”Blest Are They”

Opening Hymn – LSB # # 677 “For All the Saints”

Welcome

Order of Worship – LSB Divine Service I pg. 151

Invocation; Confession of Sins

Introit

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.
They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me.
For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name’s sake you lead me and guide me.
Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

Kyrie; This Is the Feast – pg. 155

Collect and Responses – pg. 156

P: 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.

C: Amen

Old Testament – Revelation 7:2–17 Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, 3saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” 4And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel: 512,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed, 12,000 from the tribe of Reuben, 12,000 from the tribe of Gad, 612,000 from the tribe of Asher, 12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali, 12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh, 712,000 from the tribe of Simeon, 12,000 from the tribe of Levi, 12,000 from the tribe of Issachar, 812,000 from the tribe of Zebulun, 12,000 from the tribe of Joseph, 12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

9After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” 11And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12saying, “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, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” 14 I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15“Therefore they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. 16They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. 17For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle – 1 John 3:1-3 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2]Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. [3]And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

(please rise)

Alleluia – pg. 156

Holy Gospel - Matthew 5:1-12 Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, his disciples came to him. [2]And he opened his mouth 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 shall be comforted. [5]"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. [6]"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. [7]"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. [8]"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. [9]"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. [10]"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [11]"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12]Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

(Responses on pg. 157)

Sermon Hymn - LSB # 676 "Behold a Host, Arrayed in White"

Sermon

Nicene Creed – pg. 158 (Or inside back cover of hymnal)

Offering

(8:00 Service)

Choir – "Blest Are They"

Offertory - "What Shall I Render..." pg. 159

Prayers–responses

(P: Lord, in your mercy…**C: Hear our prayer.)**

Preface to Holy Communion - page 160

Proper Preface

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. In the communion of all Your saints gathered into the one body of Your Son, You have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, encouraged by their faith and strengthened by their fellowship, may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus – pg. 161

Prayer of Thanksgiving – pg. 161

Words of Institution – pg. 162 left column

Proclamation of Christ – pg. 162 left column

Lord's Prayer – pg. 162 left column (Or inside back cover)

Pax Domini; Agnus Dei – pg. 163

(please be seated)

Distribution of Holy Communion

Hymns - LSB # 941 "We Praise You and Acknowledge You"
LSB # 892 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"
LSB # 947 "All Glory Be to God on High"
LSB # 643 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

Thank the Lord – pg. 164

Post-Communion Collect – pg. 166

Benediction – pg. 166

Closing Hymn - LSB # 563 vs. 1,3,5
"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"

Announcements and Postlude

✞ ✞ VISITORS AND MEMBERS ✞ ✞

Sometime during the service, we ask that everyone fill out one of the cards found in the pew racks so that we might have a record of your worship with us today. For our visitors we ask that you please sign our Guest Register on the table next to the front door as you leave. We are pleased to have you join us this morning as we praise our great God and encourage you to visit us again when possible.

✞ ✞ ✞ HOLY COMMUNION ✞ ✞ ✞

Dear Visitors and Friends: Our practice of close communion is the historic practice of the church. Through it we practice love and fidelity to God's Word, prompting us to care for all of God's people in this unique way. Please understand that our communion practice does not deny that the members of other denominations are Christians! Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Romans 16:17). When we commune together, God unites all who commune, not only in saving faith, but also in truth, regarding what the scripture teaches about the Lord's Supper. In 1 Corinthians 11 Paul tells us that this expression of unity must be honest and truthful.

For this reason, the congregations of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod have agreed to follow the Biblical and historical practice of "Close Communion." ***If you desire to receive the Lord's Supper and are not a communicant member of First English Lutheran Church or a sister congregation in the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, we respectfully ask that you not commune this morning.*** Rather, we invite you to ask the pastor about how you might become a communicant member of our congregation.

It is our sincere prayer that our careful administration of the Lord's Supper will not be a hindrance to our fellowship with you this morning, but instead that it would lead you to appreciate the high regard we have for Christ and His Word concerning this precious gift. **Thank you for understanding, and God bless you!**

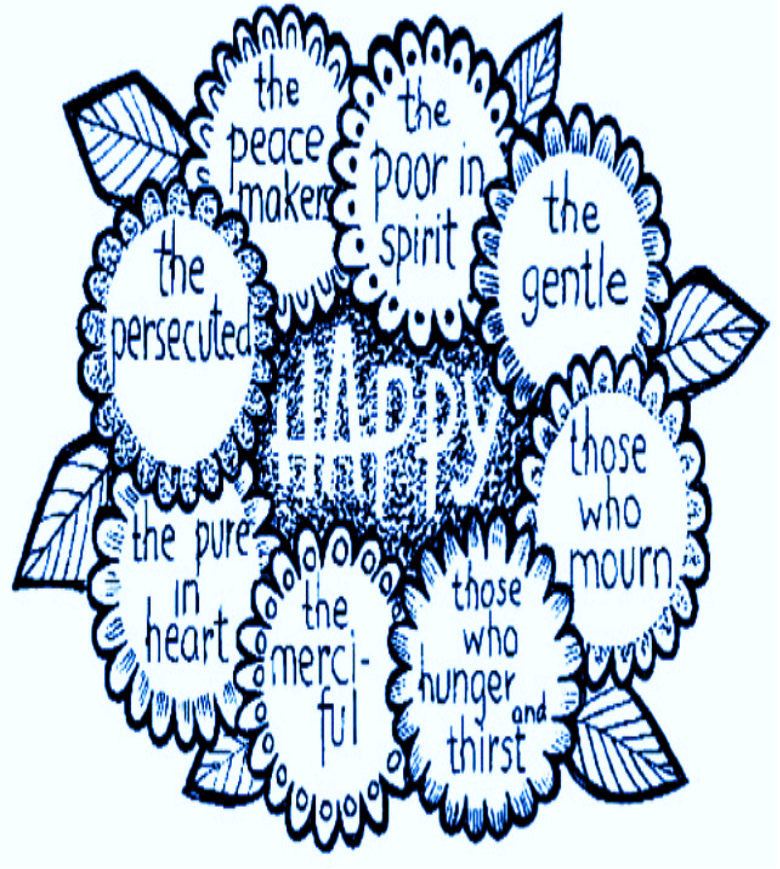
If you are a member of the LCMS, please follow the four steps of preparation for Holy Communion. You can find those preparation instructions on the white cards on the back of the pew in front of you. When you attend Holy Communion, please register by filling out one of the white cards and pass them to the inner aisle during the offering so that the ushers can collect it.

For those who prefer, the cup in the center of the communion tray is grape juice with a drop of wine. If you do not feel secure taking the individual cup from the tray, please hold out your hand to indicate your concern and the cup will be handed to you. We invite small children to accompany their parents, if they desire to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

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