

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries
Growing Together in Christ



All Saints Sunday
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9:30 a.m.



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Welcome

We welcome all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to addictions, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in Christ.

For Parents with Children

Good Soil loves kids and the "holy noise" they bring! Your children are warmly welcome in worship. Sing, pray, and respond; your children will learn by worshipping with you. There's also a "prayerground" area in the back of the sanctuary and a nursery/cry room behind that on the back left side. We pray that worshipping together as a family is a meaningful experience!

For Those Needing Hearing Assistance

Please ask an usher about our hearing assistance devices to enhance your worship experience.

Holy Communion

Christ is truly present with us in worship and through this meal. All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion here at Good Soil. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available upon request.

Key:

Bold Font – Spoken by the Congregation

Regular Font – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant

† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.

*Please Note: In an effort to protect those who are vulnerable, **masking is strongly recommended.** In addition, the first four rows of pews on the left side of the sanctuary are reserved as a “masking only” section (for those who wish to be in close proximity only with others who are masking).*

All Saints Sunday

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.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude and Welcome

In the Confession and Forgiveness, we are drawn by God’s mercy to prepare to assemble around the Word and Sacrament. It may be seen as a return to the gift of

† Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who redeems us in Christ Jesus,
whose steadfast love endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you

*Baptism
through
repentance.*

and our neighbors.
We have ignored voices
that call for your justice.
We have neglected actions
that witness to your righteousness.
We have spoken and acted
in ways that disrupt your beloved community.
We truly repent of things we have done
and left undone.
For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Restore our troubled spirits,
so that we may live in newness,
follow the way of the Spirit,
and build up the body of Christ. Amen.

Rejoice and be glad!
God hears the prayers of all who cry out,
and restores us to life through the death
and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the † Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn: For All the Saints ELW 422 vs 1, 2, 3 & 7

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

The presiding minister greets the assembly with the words used by Paul in 2nd Corinthians to greet churches. The assembly also greets the presiding minister in return. It is a moment of mutuality that signifies trust, love, mutual service, and a shared hope in God.

† 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.

† Hymn of Praise: Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue
ELW 644 v 4

4 The gifts are many, the Body one,
and into one are all baptized.
Beloved, share one heart, one mind,
one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

Text: Andrew Donaldson, b.1951
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The Prayer of the Day highlights themes from the scripture readings we are about to hear.

† 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 prepare for all people, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

The Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 1:11-13, 15-23

To put this reading into context:

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.

Hear now the reading:

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.

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.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149:1-5a (read responsively)

¹Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.

²**Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.**

³Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

⁴**For the LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.**

⁵Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy.

We welcome the gospel by singing the Gospel Acclamation.

† Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Gospel reading is announced. We rise to our feet, if able, as a sign of respect and anticipation for the Gospel that reveals Jesus Christ to us.

† Gospel Reading: Luke 6:20-31

To put this gospel reading into context:

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.

The holy gospel according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

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,

	<p>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> <p>The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.</p>
	<p>Children’s Sermon</p> <p><i>Children aged Pre-K through 3rd grade are invited to leave the service after the Children’s Sermon and attend the 1st part of Sunday School instruction (2nd part to resume in classes after worship.)</i></p>
	<p>Sermon: The Rev. Marissa Harrison</p> <p><i>Silence for Reflection</i></p>
<p><i>The Hymn of the Day invites the Assembly’s participation in the sermon event—it is a response to</i></p>	<p>† Hymn of the Day: Shall We Gather at the River ELW 423</p> <p>1 Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?</p> <p><i>Refrain</i></p>

<p><i>the proclaimed Word of God.</i></p>	<p>Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.</p> <p>2 On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>3 Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>4 Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899</p>
<p><i>As the church, we pray for those in our community and around the world. The prayers are also responsive, emphasizing our participation.</i></p>	<p>† Prayers of Intercession</p> <p>United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.</p> <p><i>A brief silence.</i></p> <p>Holy One, your church rests on the faithful who came before us. Give us the will to carry the church forward and discern your will for the future. Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.</p> <p>Holy One, the earth is yours and all that dwells within it. Care for places ravaged by natural disasters. Quell raging fires and halt destruction caused by flooding. Lord, in your mercy, 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, **receive our prayer.**

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, **receive our prayer.**

Holy One, hold us in community with one another. Nurture a spirit of abundant hospitality and intentional inclusion among us, welcoming the gifts of all. Inspire creative visions for our life together, and guide us this month through our focus groups as we discern the guiding principles and purpose statement for our faith community in this time and place. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Holy One, we remember in thanksgiving all those who have died. Wipe away our tears and comfort us with the promise of everlasting life in you. Lord, in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Remembering the Saints

Eternal God, your love is stronger than death, and your compassion more fierce than the grave. We rejoice in the lives of those whom you have drawn into your eternal embrace. Keep us in communion with them until we join the saints of every people and nation gathered before your throne.

On this day, we especially remember:

Sherman Bishop, Good Soil Member
Steve Broocker, Good Soil Member
Gary Dennison, Good Soil Member
Ann Norman, Good Soil Member
Tony Sykaluk, Good Soil Member
Jack Baker, Brother of Deborah Dzurilla's Good Friend, Traci
Che Ben, Cousin of Scott Wylie
Jelaine Blocksom, Mother of Dave Blocksom
Michelle Blocksom, Sister-in-Law of Dave Blocksom
Winnie Demko, Sister-in-Law of Barbara-Demko-Werner
Mike Galgoczy, Uncle of Alex Alusheff
Jennifer Ilgaskas, Friend and Colleague of Nick Young
Sy Petrusky, Brother of Sharon Hollowell
Diane Shumaker, Sister of John Shumaker
Ted Sternad, Son of Jerry and Marie Sternad
Mary Wahl, Mother of Bill Wahl
Carol Welter, Aunt of Joe Lanter

We also remember all those who have died due to covid, mental illness, drug overdose, gun violence, racial profiling, natural disasters or any other reason. We remember all who have died and are now resting with you.

Remembering the Saints Hymn: Jesus Remember Me, ELW 616

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. (3x)

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A brief silence.


God the Father formed us as creatures who live and love and die.

God the Son lived a human life and joined us in death.

God the Spirit holds us in the eternal body of Christ.

Thanks be to God:

Thanks be to God.

	<p>Let us pray.</p> <p>We give you thanks, O God, for all who have gone on to join with you beyond this life. We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ. We know that in our grief and celebration, you are with us through it all, and we are not left alone. In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, Amen.</p>
<p><i>God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the ministry of the church.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Meal</u> <i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Offering</p> <p>God’s ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, and your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil continue making an impact by giving at www.goodsoillutheran.org/support or by using this QR code:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don’t take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil’s support page.</i></p> 
<p><i>The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for God’s blessings.</i></p>	<p>† Offering Hymn: Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In ACS 950</p> <p>1 Oh, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching in, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.</p> <p>2 Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the Lord in glory comes.</p>

3 Oh, when the new world is revealed,
oh, when the new world is revealed,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
when the new world is revealed.

4 Oh, when they gather round the throne,
oh, when they gather round the throne,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
when they gather round the throne.

5 And on that hallelujah day,
and on that hallelujah day,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
on that hallelujah day.

Text: African American spiritual

† Offering Prayer

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.
Amen.

† Great Thanksgiving

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.

† Sanctus

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .
. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

† Words of Institution

*The Lord's
Prayer is
Jesus'
response to
his disciples
when they
asked him to
teach them
how to pray.*

† Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

† Invitation to the Table

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

Communion Hymn: There is a Balm in Gilead ELW 614

Refrain

There is a balm in Gilead
to make the wounded whole;
there is a balm in Gilead
to heal the sin-sick soul.

- 1 Sometimes I feel discouraged
and think my work's in vain,
but then the Holy Spirit
revives my soul again. *Refrain*
- 2 If you cannot preach like Peter,
if you cannot pray like Paul,
you can tell the love of Jesus
and say, "He died for all." *Refrain*
- 3 Don't ever be discouraged,
for Jesus is your friend;
and if you lack for knowledge
he'll ne'er refuse to lend. *Refrain*

Text: African American spiritual

† Post-Communion Table Blessing

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

The Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*With the
blessing of
God, we go
out to live as
Christ's body
in the world.*

† Blessing

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. **Amen.**

† Sending Hymn: Give Thanks for Saints ELW 428

- 1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm
when all around seems bleak:
on God's good promise they rely,
so while they live and when they die
how forcefully they speak—
the strong, who once were weak!
- 2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear,
beyond mere mortal sight:
who seek the city God has planned,
the true, eternal promised land,
and steer on toward that light,
a beacon ever bright.
- 3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure,
a sparkling precious stone:
they show by what they say and do
an inward beauty, warm and true,
for God's concerns they own—
God's love through them is known.
- 4 Give thanks for saints of ages past
and saints alive today:

	<p>though often by this world despised, their hearts by God are richly prized. Give thanks that we may say, “We share their pilgrim way.”</p> <p>Text: Martin E. Leckebusch, b. 1962 Text © 2003 Kevin Mayhew Ltd. Used by permission.</p>
<p><i>The dismissal sends us out into the world as Christ’s Body—fed, nourished, and ready to serve. Worship has ended, and our service begins!</i></p>	<p>† Dismissal</p> <p>Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world. Thanks be to God.</p>
	<p>Postlude</p>

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Today’s Worship Servants:

Presiding: The Rev. Marissa Harrison	Reader: Joan Zeager
Ushers: Dave Blocksom Bill Fink	Counters: Kim Wylie Stan Zeager
Online Usher: Alex Alusheff	Acolyte: Jack Johnson



Announcements from Good Soil Sunday, November 6, 2022

For those in need of healing, comfort, or strength: Helen Andrews; Max Bechtel; Jae, Jeff, and Oakley; Andrew Evatt; Ed Fink; family of Wardell Griggs; Jamie Lanter; Willie Lee, Char Mattson; Jen Mitterholzer; Rich Petrusky; Jerry (who entered hospice this week) and Marie Sternad; Jeanette Weidlich; Gloria Weidlich

For those celebrating birthdays:

Mary Kay Liston (Nov 10), Scott Wylie (Nov 10), Elijah Pate (Nov 12), Edward Inman (Nov 12)

For those celebrating wedding anniversaries:

Joe and Pam Lanter (Nov 8)

For those celebrating the anniversaries of their baptism:

Larry Jacobson (Nov 7), Bill Fink (Nov 7)

The flowers adorning the altar today are placed for the glory of God by the Wylies to celebrate Scott's birthday.

Pub Theology continues! Join us as we continue exploring key points in Lutheran theology, following Dave Daubert's book, "Lutheran Trump Cards: Playing Our Best Hand in the 21st Century." Sessions are Wednesdays at 7pm at Immigrant Son Brewery, 18120 Sloane Ave in Lakewood. On Sun, Nov 13, an Adult Forum will be held after worship to give a brief overview of the content as well. Remaining Pub Theology Date: Nov 9th at 7pm.

Focus Groups for Discerning Congregational Purpose Statement and Guiding Principles

All parishioners, please mark your calendars to attend ONE of these focus group opportunities: (RSVP to contacts on back page)

Saturday, Nov. 12th – Lunch at 12pm, event begins at 12:30pm (childcare provided)

Sunday, Nov. 27th – Brunch after worship, event begins at 11:30am (childcare provided)

Wednesday, Nov. 30th – Dinner at 6pm, event begins at 6:30pm

For meal planning, please RSVP to the following Dandelion Team Members:

Saturday, Nov. 12th – RSVP to Mandy Forshey, amandamforshey@gmail.com
or (216) 640-6145

Sunday, Nov. 27th – RSVP to Barbara Munch, bwmunch@aol.com
or (440) 465-4937

Wednesday, Nov. 30th – RSVP to Adam Pate, caricatureguy@yahoo.com
or (419) 606-3373

Calendar of Events		
Sun, Nov 6	ALL SAINTS SUNDAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Coffee Hour • Adult Forum - "Plan Your Funeral So Your Family Doesn't Have To" 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
Mon, Nov 7	New Worship Servant Scheduling Training Session (via Zoom)	6:00 p.m.
Tues, Nov 8	ELECTION DAY Good Soil Executive Team Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Wed, Nov 9	Pub Theology Session #3, Immigrant Son Brewery, Lakewood	7:00 p.m.
Fri, Nov 11	VETERANS DAY	
Sat, Nov 12	Purpose/Guiding Principles Focus Group (Lunch and Child Care provided)	12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sun, Nov 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Coffee Hour • Adult Forum - Key Points in Lutheran Theology/overview of Pub Theology • New Worship Servant Scheduling Training Session (in-person) • Memorial Service for Tony Sykaluk 	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
Tues, Nov 15	Good Soil Council Meeting	7:30 p.m.