



St. Luke's Episcopal Church – Stephenville, TX
Feast of All Saints' & All the Faithful Departed

November 1st, 2026

8:00 am, 10:00 am & 5:30 pm

To All Who Are Joyful And Thankful, To All Who Mourn And Need Comfort
To All Who Are Weary And Need Rest, To All Who Are Friendless And Wish Friendship
To All Who Pray And Who Do Not But Ought, To All Who Sin And Need A Savior.
And To Whoever Will, The Church Opens Wide The Door
And In The Name Of Christ, The Lord Says Welcome.

<i>Alice</i>	<i>Bob</i>	<i>Joe McCarthy</i>
<i>Al</i>	<i>Robert</i>	<i>Al Lilly</i>
<i>Laura</i>	<i>Alma</i>	<i>Reid & JoAnn Johnson</i>
<i>Elva</i>	<i>Granny</i>	<i>Mary Louise Maxwell</i>
<i>Vanita</i>	<i>Marion</i>	<i>Lynn Christopher</i>
<i>Carole</i>	<i>Bebe</i>	<i>H.A. Jackson</i>
<i>Susan</i>	<i>Brian</i>	<i>Leona Fair</i>
<i>Tommy</i>	<i>Mary Daggett</i>	<i>Arthur Fair</i>
<i>Jean</i>	<i>Martha Wallace</i>	<i>Kathryn Fair Jackson</i>
<i>Anne</i>	<i>Lana Wallace</i>	<i>Ronnie King</i>
<i>Ellen</i>	<i>Bruce Wallace</i>	<i>Wanda J FairCrumpler</i>
<i>Chris</i>	<i>Wayne Wallace</i>	<i>Fr. Bernard</i>
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<i>Emma</i>	<i>Barbara Bevan</i>	<i>Byron Langley</i>
<i>Frank</i>	<i>Lionel Bevan</i>	<i>Priss Housewright</i>
<i>Jerry</i>	<i>Emma Bevan</i>	<i>Pat Housewright</i>
<i>O'Donnell</i>	<i>Betty Colley</i>	<i>George Housewright</i>
<i>Billy</i>	<i>Billy Colley</i>	<i>Karla Davis</i>
<i>Don</i>	<i>Tyler Colley</i>	<i>Mark Davis</i>
<i>Rosemary</i>	<i>John Bankston</i>	<i>Barbara Thurman</i>
<i>Cleve</i>	<i>Ed Bevan</i>	<i>Chad Thurman</i>
<i>Bill</i>	<i>Ted Bevan</i>	<i>Ellen McKinney</i>
<i>Louise</i>	<i>Bunny Ridgeway</i>	<i>Mary Sue Staig</i>
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<i>Roberta Beireis</i>	<i>Melvin & Pauline</i>	<i>Tommy Bryant</i>
<i>Cindy Cross</i>	<i>Bob & Austin</i>	<i>Erik Hans Oosterbaan</i>
<i>John W. Cross</i>	<i>Sauceda Cruz</i>	<i>Van Austin Evans</i>
<i>Malcolm A. Cross</i>	<i>Irma Harrington</i>	<i>Tommy Paul Griswold</i>
<i>Albert & Edith Cross</i>	<i>Donnie Bryant</i>	<i>Catherine Cano</i>
<i>Howard Tompkins</i>	<i>Betty Heath</i>	<i>George Seargeant</i>
<i>Elizabeth Tompkins</i>	<i>Cindy</i>	<i>Jimmy Bader</i>
<i>Scott Allan</i>	<i>John</i>	<i>Wayne Gower</i>
<i>Elizabeth Cross</i>	<i>Elizabeth</i>	<i>Freddie McCluskey</i>
<i>Bernice Steele Cross</i>	<i>Bernice</i>	<i>Belva Meckes</i>
<i>Edgar & Lucretia Sheffield</i>	<i>Mac & Roseanne</i>	<i>...and those others who</i>
<i>James Zachery</i>	<i>Howard & Betsy</i>	<i>have gone before</i>
<i>Sandy Nayak</i>	<i>Sandy</i>	
<i>Mr. & Mrs. Ramanath Nayak Douglas</i>		
<i>Douglas Mülle</i>	<i>Catherine</i>	
<i>Lyle Berglund</i>	<i>Rob Aho</i>	
<i>Maria Cruz</i>	<i>John Alfred Carter Sr</i>	
<i>Herman Haas</i>	<i>Kelly Rosselot</i>	
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<i>Larry Chandler</i>	<i>Linda Brown</i>	
<i>Daniel Seda</i>	<i>Carl Crimmins</i>	
<i>Bethany Poore</i>	<i>Laurene Patterson</i>	
<i>Jim Parker</i>	<i>Ann Kern</i>	

The Processional Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #618 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

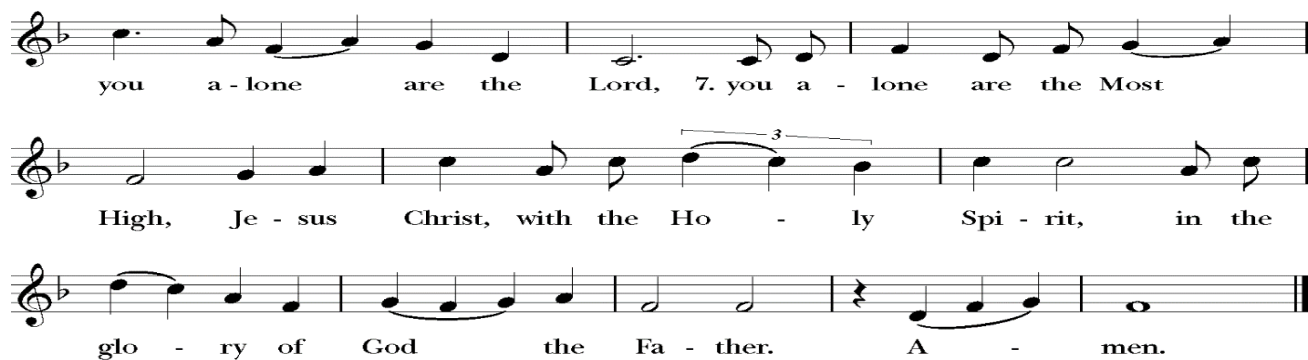
The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music - #280 Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Readings

All are seated.

A reading from the Revelation to John. (Revelation 7:9-17)

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
 and thanksgiving and honor
 and power and might
 be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God,
 and worship him day and night within his temple,
 and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
 They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 *Benedicam Dominum* (Read responsively by half verse)

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
- 9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
- 22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

A reading from the First Letter of John. (1 John 3:1-3)

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

All stand as are able.

Gradual Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #287 For All the Saints (v. 1-4)

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

(Matthew 5:1-12)

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Mark Witte

A brief time of reflection follows the sermon

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

Let us call upon our Father in heaven for the needs of all peoples in the world.

For this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all peoples and their leaders, for candidates for public office, and for justice and equity in the world. **Lord, have mercy.**

For good weather, abundant fruits of the earth, and peaceful times. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and the suffering, travelers and prisoners, all who bear heavy burdens, especially [*those on the St. Luke's prayer list*], and the dying and dead. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Stephenville and those who live in it, and for our families, companions, and all those we love. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lifting our voices with all creation, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord.**

The Celebrant adds the concluding collect

God and Father of all, who calls on us to serve you and one another, hear the prayers we offer this day and lead us to true humility; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ. Strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand as are able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sandy Lee (4th), Chaise Darrow-Boone (7th)

Celebrant and People

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. *Matthew 5:23, 24*

*Gifts may be placed in the offering plate, given by text by sending an amount to (254) 282-0706, or given online.
Mailed checks may be sent to the address printed at the end of the bulletin.*

Offertory Hymn

Lift Every Voice and Sing #12 We're Marching to Zion



1. Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known; Join
2. Let those re - fuse to sing Who nev - er knew our God; But
3. The hill of Zi - on yields A thou - sand sa - cred sweets Be -
4. Then let our songs a - bound, And ev - 'ry tear be dry; We're



1. in a song with sweet ac - cord, Join in a song with sweet ac -
2. chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King, But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly
3. fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly
4. march - ing through Im - man - uel's ground, We're march - ing thro' Im - man - uel's



1. cord, And thus sur - round the throne, And thus sur - round the throne.
2. King, May speak their joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad.
3. fields, Or walk the gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets.
4. ground, To fair - er worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high.



We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful



Zi - on; We're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on,



The beau - ti - ful cit - y of God.

Doxology (sung to The Hymnal 380)

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing, as are able. The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**
The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #129

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

The musical score is written on four staves in G-clef and 4/4 time. It features a melody with various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests. There are three triplet markings (indicated by a '3' and a bracket) over the words 'heaven', 'san - na', and 'comes'. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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The people stand or kneel, as are able.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have

delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Luke, Richard, Willibrord, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

***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, for ever and ever. Amen***

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

Concerning Holy Communion

“This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord.

It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more.

*So come, you who have much faith, and you who have little,
you who have been here often and you who have not been here long,
you who have tried to follow and you who have failed.*

Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.

It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.”



If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, we invite you to come forward for a blessing.

Simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.



Gluten free wafers are available upon request.



If after receiving Communion or a blessing you would like special prayers for healing, you are invited to go to the votive stand at the rear of the church where someone will pray with you.

Communion Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #620 Jerusalem, My Happy Home

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Priest gives the blessing

Blessing

May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Processional Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #232 By All You Saints Still Striving

Lyrics for verse 2:

*Apostles, prophets, martyrs,
and all the noble throng
Who wear the spotless raiment
and raise the ceaseless song:
For them and those who witness
is known only to you —
By walking in their footsteps
we give you praise anew.*

The Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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From the Calendar of Saints

November 1 All Saints

The desire of Christians to express the intercommunication between living and dead members of the Body of Christ, especially martyrs to the faith, is an ancient one. In the ninth century this day became a principal feast of the church.

November 2 All Faithful Departed

Because the word “saints” came to be applied primarily to Christians who died heroic deaths, the next day was appointed for the remembrance of less well-known dead, especially family and friends. Its observance is optional in the Episcopal Church.

November 3 Richard Hooker *Priest, 1600*

An eminent Anglican theologian, Hooker is best known for his masterpiece, *Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity*. In addition to his great learning, he was a moderate, patient, and serene man.

November 7 Willibrord *Archbishop of Utrecht, Missionary to Frisia, 739*

After unsuccessful missionary visits to pagan Frisia (Holland), Willibrord founded a monastery near Trier. With support of his work by Frankish rulers and the papacy, he paved the way for the later missionary successes of Boniface, Archbishop of Mainz.

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Term Ending 2026 – Kelly Barbee, Malcolm Cross

Term Ending 2027 – Doug McLemore & Allison Haynes

Term Ending 2028 – Gail Johnson & Dylan Dowell

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