

## SERMON NOTES. . .

### “Salvation From God!” Amen!”

1. “After this I looked and there before me was a great \_\_\_\_\_ that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: “\_\_\_\_\_ belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.” (Rev. 7:9-10)
2. ‘Salvation belongs to God’ means that it belongs to Him to give and it is ours as a free \_\_\_\_\_ from God.
3. White \_\_\_\_\_ = a sign of purity, a sign of Christ’s righteousness. The palm branches are a sign of victory and royalty.
4. The Lord promises that each and every one who accepts God’s gift of grace, through faith, will stand there also, not because of what we have done but because of what \_\_\_\_\_ has done.
5. When those early believers left this world, they left \_\_\_\_\_ hardship and tribulation.
6. “All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and \_\_\_\_\_ God.”
7. The use of the word \_\_\_\_\_ began in the Old Testament meaning, “to confirm or to make firm.”
8. In worship, God wants us to express openly our \_\_\_\_\_ for Him.
9. “...and God will wipe away every \_\_\_\_\_ from their eyes.” (v. 17)
10. The only thing we can truly count on is God and His \_\_\_\_\_.
11. There will be no more tears for sin, for all sins are \_\_\_\_\_; no more tears for death, for we have been \_\_\_\_\_!
12. Those who say they don’t care what happens to them after they \_\_\_\_\_ don’t realize what they are saying.

**Welcome to West Prairie Lutheran Church!  
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Please sign the attendance sheets located at the end of each pew.  
If you are a visitor, please include your mailing address.  
We invite you to join us again!

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**8:30 a.m. — November 5, 2017**

**All Saints Sunday**

**Worship Service with Holy Communion**

All who are baptized in the Christian faith and have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to celebrate the Lord’s Supper.

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**Prelude**

**Pastoral Greeting**

*Please stand if you are able.*

**Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness.....** page 77

**Opening Hymn, *You Servants of God* .....** LBW #252

**Kyrie.....** page 78

**Hymn of Praise *This is the Feast*.....** page 81

**Prayer of the Day**

**(All) Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the body of 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 Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

**FIRST LESSON: Revelation 7:9-17**

**The Great Multitude in White Robes**

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice:

“Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: “Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”

Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?”

I answered, “Sir, you know.”

And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 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. ‘Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; He will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’”

Here ends the Old Testament reading.

**Psalms 149** (responsively)

L: Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song;

**C: sing His praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

L: Let Israel rejoice in his maker;

**C: let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.**

L: Let them praise His name in the dance;

**C: let them sing praise to Him with timbrel and harp.**

L: For the Lord takes pleasure in His people

**C: and adorns the poor with victory.**

L: Let the faithful rejoice in triumph

**C: let them be joyful on their beds.**

L: Let the praises of God be in their throat

**C: and a two-edged sword in their hand**

L: to wreak vengeance on the nations

**C: and punishment on the peoples;**

L: to bind their kings in chains

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today...**

11 a.m.—1 p.m. Fall Dinner

7 p.m. Youth Group

**Wednesday, November 8...**

9 a.m. WOW quilting; noon lunch @ Leland Café; Thanksgiving program by Sharon Holland

**Next Sunday, November 12...**

8:30 a.m. Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Fellowship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

11 a.m. Bible Study Club, lunch provided, movie

**Pastor and Jonie** will be on vacation from Nov. 7-12.

**Movies coming to Lake Mills Theater:** “Let There Be Light” showing November 10-16; “A Question of Faith” showing Nov. 17-23

**Melissa Phillips and Victoria Knudtson** will be performing at Odvin Hagen Recital Hall on Sunday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m.

**Joint Thanksgiving Eve service** will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 22 at 7 p.m.

**LCMC Iowa District Annual Meeting** is Sat., November 11 from 9:30 – 3:30 at Stratford Lutheran, Stratford, Iowa. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and is \$10. The schedule is on the bulletin board.

**Prayer List** — Jonie Bang, Leah Branstad, Alan Goranson, Denise Holst, Misty Juveland, Marlys Haugen, Blanche Durby, Dale Zingg, Elaine Ritz, Carver Moffat, Mike Haack, Dorothy Kall, Ben Charlson, Monte Branstad, Eldora Reil; Angela Haugen in the military. All prayer requests can be submitted to [www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer](http://www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer); leave a message on the church answering system @641-567-3733; or call Pastor Steve @641-590-7894.

**C: and their nobles with links of iron;**

L: to inflict on them the judgment decreed;

**C: this is glory for all His faithful people. Hallelujah!**

**SECOND LESSON: I John 3:1-3**

See what great love the Father has lavished on 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. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see Him as He is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Here ends the reading.

*Please stand.*

**Alleluia:** ..... page 83

**THE GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12**

**Response:** *Glory to You, O Lord* ..... page 83

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to Him, and He began to teach them.

He said: "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 be shown 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 because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Response:** *Praise to You, O Christ* ..... page 83  
*You may be seated.*

**The Sermon:** Pastor Steve Bang

"Salvation From God! Amen! Revelation 7:9-12

**Hymn,** *Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand*..... LBW #351

**Nicene Creed** ..... page 84

**Prayer**

**Congregational Response:** Hear my prayer.

*Sharing of the peace.*

*You may be seated.*

**Offering**

*Please stand.*

**Offertory,** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*..... page 86

**Prayer:** ..... page 87

**The Great Thanksgiving**..... page 88

**The Words of Institution** ..... page 89

**The Lord's Prayer** ..... page 91

*You may be seated.*

**Distribution of Holy Communion**

*Please follow direction of ushers.*

**Communion Hymns** ..... Grey Hymn Book #'s 608, 621, 606

*Please Stand.*

**Post-Communion Canticle** *Thank the Lord* ..... page 72 & 73

**Prayer** ..... page 74

**Benediction**..... page 74

**Pastor:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Closing Hymn,** *Lead On, O King Eternal!* ..... LBW #495

**Pastor:** Steve Bang

**Pianist:** Sandy Damm

**Lectionary:** Denise Holst

**Ushers:** Lori Jacobs, Misty Juveland

**Acolyte:** Jack Holland