

St. John's Lutheran Church, Ruma

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All Saints Sunday

10:00 a.m.

November 2, 2025

Divine Service, Setting One without Holy Communion LSB p. 151

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation: 676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

Stand

Invocation and Exhortation

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Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

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Absolution

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Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 31:1, 3, 5; antiphon: Revelation 7:14b

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.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.
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.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

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.

Sit

First Reading

Revelation 7:2–17

²Then 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.”⁴ And 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,¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”¹¹ And 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,¹² saying, “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.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 John 3:1–3

¹See 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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

²And 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. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 677 For All the Saints

Sermon: Saints Now and Then

1 John 3:1-3

Stand

Apostles’ Creed

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All Saints Day Remembrance

As we celebrate All Saints’ Day (November 1) in today’s worship service, we recall the following members and family of members of St. John’s congregation who departed this life since last year’s All Saints’ Day celebration. We give thanks to God for His gracious blessings to them throughout their lives on this earth.

**Robert Dannenbrink
December 16, 2024**

**Carol Tobin
March 6, 2025**

**Hannah Ruez
March 26, 2025**

**Caroline Fink
July 12, 2025**

**Dorothy Zipfel
August 6, 2025**

Prayer of the Church

Offertory *LSB 159*

The Lord's Prayer *LSB Inside Back Cover*

Prayer

Benediction *LSB 166*

Hymn to Depart: 670 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

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Please place your offerings in the plate at the back of church.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS

***for healing and strength** for Dennis, Helen, Jeff, Cara, David, Elaine, Sarah, Carolyn, Delbert, Art and Gladys, Linda, Delbert, Brian, Dawn, Susan, Paul, Robert, Jace, Mary, and Dorothy

***for all members of the military, police, and firefighters including** Jace and Ryan.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR CHURCH

Organist Diann Scherle

Sunday School Teachers

Amanda Roedl, Sunday School director and 5th through 8th grade;
Kaley Roedl, pre-school through 4th grade; Joy Meyer, handbells.

Officers

Dennis Phegley, chairman; Deb McCutcheon, secretary; Jill Phegley, treasurer; Diann Scherle, assistant treasurer; Brian Liefer, Jonathan Mehring, and Tim Schrader, elders; Matt Roedl, Jeff Schlueter, and Lloyd Schoenbeck, trustees.

Stewardship Committee (responsible for the Bible presentation series) Rachel Mehring and Jill Phegley from St. John's; Troy Birch and Nathan Koester from St. Peter's.

TO CONTACT PASTOR WINTERFELDT

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TO SHARE INFORMATION

Church Council: Dennis Phegley, chairman; Brian Liefer, elder; Jonathan Mehring, elder; Timothy Schrader, elder.

Church Bulletin: By Wednesday afternoon, send email to Deb at church address (stjohnlutheranruma@gmail.com) or give her a written note at church.

Church Facebook Page: Directly message *StJohnEvLutheranChurchRumaIL*, send an email to the church email address (above), or ask Amanda to have your information posted.

FOR MORE ONLINE INFORMATION

Church Facebook Page: *StJohnEvLutheranRumaIL* for Sunday School activities and church news updates.

Church Website: Check the website for the week's bulletin, a calendar of church activities, and links to all things LCMS. Look for us at www.stjohnlutheranruma.com.

Pastor's YouTube Channel:

If you are unable to attend services or want to listen again to a particular sermon, go to "jwinterfel" on YouTube where Pastor posts a recording of the week's **Old Testament, Epistle, and Gospel readings, as well as his weekly sermon**. You will also find video and audio of some entire services.

PLEASE CONSIDER SERVING OUR CHURCH FAMILY...

By purchasing our Ladies Aid Apple Butter for only \$5 a pint or \$8 a quart: The Ladies Aid uses the money to buy items for our church and for area food pantries. They also donate to COSHLS and LWML. See Pearl May or Marlene Ling to buy a jar. **The shelves are restocked with fresh apple butter!**

By working with the Sochowski family as Susan recovers from a stroke. At our request, Mark has provided a list of concrete ways we can help. A copy of the list is available on the pew in back of church.

By leaving non-perishable food items in the back of church. The Ladies Aid/LWML members are collecting for area food pantries.

By donating toward our NEW Lutheran Heritage Foundation Mission Project FOR 2025... The new LHF mission project will focus on children in Ghana. Every \$5.00 donation provides a beautiful hardcover Bible storybook for children in the Kusaal language. **Write Ghana in the memo line of your check or on an envelope with cash.** We will send collected money to LHF at the end of each quarter in 2024. *Check out Diann's bulletin board display just outside the Fellowship Hall for more information.*

By bringing altar flowers: You are welcome to provide fresh flowers for a special occasion or just because. Check the sign-up list in the Fellowship Hall to see what months are available. Please let Deb know by Wednesday afternoon so she can acknowledge the gift and occasion in the bulletin.

By donating toward the Cemetery Fund: Spring rains washed deep ruts into the entrances to the cemetery. Voters approved the cost of asphaltting the entire cemetery road. The road is finished and should be beautiful and maintenance-free for years! If you would like to help replenish the cost of the road, please put your donation in an envelope marked Cemetery Fund.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TODAY: Orders are due for our Christmas Evergreens Tuition Fundraiser. Order forms are available in the back of church. Orders will be ready for pick-up Nov. 17-26. The list of items has been simplified this year: 28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath, 22" Noble Fir Wreath, and 10' lengths of Western Cedar Garland.

TODAY: Wurstmart and Country Store at St. Mark's, Steeleville, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Carry-outs available. See flyer in the Fellowship Hall for more information

TODAY: Martin Ott Pipe Organ 40th Anniversary Concert at 3 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Waterloo. Guest Organists are Sarah Koester and Justin Tayon. There will also be bell and vocal choirs. A light reception will follow the concert.

Wednesday, Nov. 5: Members of the Ladies Aid/LWML will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 1 p.m. Dorothy Ruez will serve dessert. All ladies are welcome.

Sunday, Nov. 9: Sunday School students will meet for class in the Fellowship Hall at 9 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 9: Joint Council members will meet in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the worship service.

Sunday, Nov. 9: “Surviving the Holidays,” is a special free GriefShare event for those grieving the loss of loved ones at Zion Lutheran Church, Bethalto, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Adults and teens are invited to hear a presentation about resources, strategies and tools for coping with grief during the holiday season. For more information, call the church office at 618-377-8314. To find more details and register for the event, go to <https://www.griefshare.org/events/275474>

Sunday, Nov. 16: Sunday School students will meet via Zoom.

Sunday, Nov. 30: The last day to let Jill know you want a subscription to the Lutheran Witness for 2026. The cost is \$27.85 for the year. The payment is not due until January.

Available Now: Western Egyptian Economic Opportunity Council administers the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program in Randolph, Monroe, Jackson, and Perry counties. Applications are being taken now for **assistance with home heating bills**. Please see the flyers on the bulletin board for more information.

Planning for the Future:

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. To work on your Christian Estate Plan today, you must decide if you are more controlled by past goals or future desires. What does your family look like today? How does that compare to what it looked like twenty years ago? You might have more children, or the presence of grandchildren. God may have called some family members home. Marriage may have changed circumstances of family. Some family might be facing a health crisis, a financial crisis or mental health challenge that wasn't present before. Your estate plans may need to change as a result. Your **LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor** can help you begin taking account of these changes, helping you to begin thinking of modifications needed for your estate plan. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or scott.radden@lfnd.org

