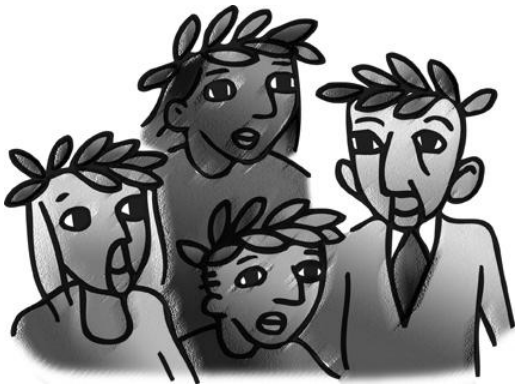


All Saints Sunday
November 1, 2026
9:00 am

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church
San Mateo, CA
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*"**We welcome all people as children of God** and invite them to participate fully in the life and ministry at St. Andrew's regardless of age, race, gender, education, ethnic origin, marital or family status, cultural heritage, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic reality or diversity of ability. We resolve to be a church with open hearts, open minds, open doors and seeking to be reconciled to God and one another." St. Andrew's has a statement of welcome for the LGBQ+ community.*

St. Andrew's sits on the traditional land of the Ohlone, Ramaytush and Muwekma tribes.

Prelude **Linda Underwood**

Welcome **Pastor John Kuehner**

Call to Worship **Unity Choir, St. Andrew's Choir and/or Misson Bells**

Gathering Hymn – **For All the Saints** **ELW 422**

Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our savior Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of Christ. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for all, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.

9 After this I 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. 10 They
cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on
the throne and to the Lamb!" 11 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, 12 singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!
Amen." 13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in
white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who
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. 15 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. 16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat, 17 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."

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God.**

Call and Response Reading: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

[1] I will bless the Lord at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth. [2] **I will glory in the Lord; let the lowly hear and rejoice.** [3] Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt God's name together. [4] **I sought the Lord, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.** [5] Look upon the Lord 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 encamps around those who fear the Lord and delivers them. [8] **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!** [9] Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord lack nothing. [10] **The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.** [22] O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

[1] 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. [2] 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. [3] And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Word of God, Word of Life **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Acclamation **WOV Setting 5**

The Holy Gospel **Matthew 5:1-12**
The holy gospel according to St. Matthew **Glory to you, O Lord**

[1] When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2] And he began to speak 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 will be comforted.
[5] "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
[6] "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
[7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
[8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 “Blessed are you when people 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 in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you. O Christ**

Sermon *You may be seated*

Hymn of the Day **Great is Thy Faithfulness** **ELW 733**

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived
by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Gather your church around the good news of your love at work in the world. Show us where we can more fully proclaim your good news within and beyond our congregation. God in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Preserve plant and animal species at risk of extinction. Further the work of ecologists, wildlife biologists, botanists, and all who work to conserve the rich diversity of life on earth. God in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Guide all the nations and their leaders in your ways of humble service and generous peace. Encourage communal discernment in the democratic process, and sustain election workers, candidates, and voters.
God in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Relieve all who bear heavy burdens. Bring hope and new possibilities to individuals and families experiencing economic uncertainty, unemployment, or housing insecurity. Soothe hearts filled with sorrow or pain especially those we now name aloud or in the peace of our hearts.

Pause . . .

God in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Where we face division and discord, draw us into mutual respect and understanding. Help us listen deeply to one another, our neighbors, and to you as we seek faithful pathways through disagreement or controversy.
God in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

You welcome the faithful departed into your glory. With abiding thanks for their witness and service, we commend them to your eternal care.
God in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.. **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

Pastor:	May the Peace of the God be with you.
Congregation:	**And also with you.**
Pastor:	Let us share that peace with one another.

Please stand as you are able

Offering Song **As Saints of Old** **ELW 695**

Offering Prayer

Let us pray . . .

God of creation,
you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always. **Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks to you,
All creation sings your praise.
Sun, moon, and stars reflect your glory.
Mountains, lakes, and forests declare your wonders.

You molded us in your image,
and with mercy higher than the mountains,
with grace deeper than the seas,
you blessed humanity and cherished them as your own.
And so, we lift our voices with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
to praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy

Words of Institution

Communion Dialogue

At this table make us your body.
Form us to be people of justice and peace.
Fill us with gratitude and generosity
that we may bear the fruit of love in word and deed. **Amen**

Lord's Prayer

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.

All are welcomed to come forward for communion as directed by the usher.

May the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in God's grace. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray. . .

Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.
By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.
Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. **Amen**

Blessing

P: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.
The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.
The God of grace
☩ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn **Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In** **ACS 729**

Dismissal

A: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God.