

# ALL SAINTS

SING THE LORD'S PRAISE IN THE ASSEMBLY OF THE FAITHFUL

**St. Matthews Lutheran Church**

WHERE COMMUNITY GATHERS AND GROWS

November 2, 2025

**All Saints Sunday**  
**Sunday, November 2, 2025**  
(\* indicates the assembly stands)

**Gathering**

|                                                                                |                          |                                         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Prelude                                                                        | <i>"Chant élégiaque"</i> | A. Guilmant                             |
| Words of Welcome & Service Announcements                                       |                          |                                         |
| *Hymn 427                                                                      |                          | <i>"For All Your Saints, O Lord"</i>    |
| Remembering Those Who Have Died                                                |                          |                                         |
| Anthem                                                                         | <i>"Pie Jesu"</i>        | A. Lloyd Webber                         |
| *Greeting                                                                      |                          |                                         |
| *Prayer of the Day                                                             |                          |                                         |
| Invitation to the Congregation to Light Candles for Saints Living and Departed |                          |                                         |
| Hymn 785                                                                       |                          | <i>"When Peace Like a River"</i>        |
| Hymn 423                                                                       |                          | <i>"Shall We Gather at the River"</i>   |
| Hymn 721                                                                       |                          | <i>"Goodness is Stronger than Evil"</i> |

**Word**

|                               |                   |                                              |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Reading                       |                   | Ephesians 1:11-23                            |
| Hymn 728                      |                   | <i>"Blest Are They"</i>                      |
| *Gospel Acclamation           | <i>"Alleluia"</i> | p. 151                                       |
| *Gospel Reading               |                   | Luke 6:20-31                                 |
| Sermon                        |                   |                                              |
| *Hymn of the Day (see page 4) |                   | <i>"Look Who Gather's at Christ's Table"</i> |
| *Prayers of Intercession      |                   | <b>A: Your mercy is great.</b>               |
| *Peace                        |                   |                                              |

## Meal

|                                                            |                                               |                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Anthem & Offering                                          | <i>"How Lovely is Thy Dwelling-Place"</i>     | J. Brahms                   |
| <i>The offering will be collected</i>                      |                                               |                             |
| *Offering Hymn 422 v. 1, 7                                 |                                               | <i>"For All the Saints"</i> |
| *Offering Prayer                                           |                                               |                             |
| *Great Thanksgiving                                        |                                               | p. 152                      |
| *Holy, Holy, Holy                                          |                                               | p. 153                      |
| *Thanksgiving at the Table V                               |                                               |                             |
| *Lord's Prayer ( <i>Our Father, who art in heaven...</i> ) |                                               | p. 154                      |
| Lamb of God                                                |                                               | p. 154                      |
| Communion Hymns 418, 488                                   |                                               |                             |
| *Table Blessing                                            |                                               |                             |
| *Prayer after Communion                                    |                                               |                             |
| <b>Sending</b>                                             |                                               |                             |
| General Announcements                                      |                                               |                             |
| *Blessing                                                  |                                               |                             |
| *Hymn (see page 6)                                         | <i>"Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In"</i>   |                             |
| *Dismissal                                                 |                                               | <b>A: Thanks be to God.</b> |
| Postlude                                                   | <i>"Toccata and Fugue in D minor BWV 565"</i> | J.S. Bach                   |

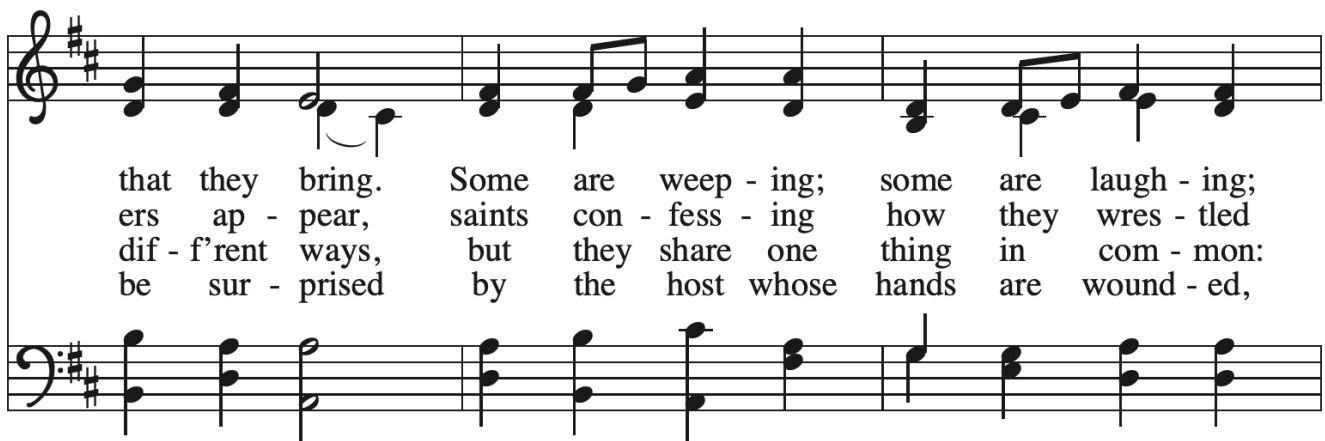
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**In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners.** In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength 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.

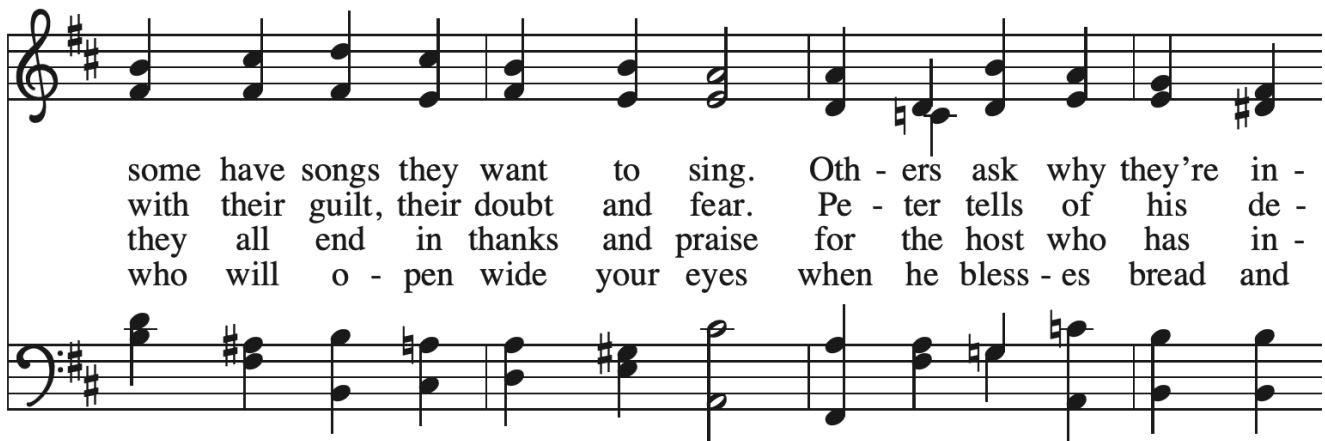
# Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table



1 Look who gath - ers at Christ's ta - ble! Hear the sto - ries  
2 Clouds of light sur - round the ta - ble; an - cient fol - low -  
3 Their sad sto - ries are re - peat - ed in a thou - sand  
4 Bring your joy and bring your sad - ness, and pre - pare to



that they bring. Some are weep - ing; some are laugh - ing;  
ers ap - pear, saints con - fess - ing how they wres - tled  
dif - f'rent ways, but they share one thing in com - mon:  
be sur - prised by the host whose hands are wound - ed,



some have songs they want to sing. Oth - ers ask why they're in -  
with their guilt, their doubt and fear. Pe - ter tells of his de -  
they all end in thanks and praise for the host who has in -  
who will o - pen wide your eyes when he bless - es bread and

vit - ed, bur - dened by the wrong they've done. Christ in - sists they  
 ny - ing Christ was ev - er in his sight; Paul re - lates his  
 vit - ed north and south and east and west to con-verge a -  
 breaks it— truth and man - na from a - bove!— and then pass - es

all are wel - come. There is room for ev - 'ry - one.  
 fruit - less ef - forts to ob - lit - er - ate the light.  
 round this ta - ble, where all life is fed and blest.  
 wine that wa - kens in your heart the taste of love.

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# Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In



- 1 Oh, when the saints go march-ing in, oh, when the
- 2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the
- 3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the
- 4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they



saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that  
 Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that  
 new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that  
 gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that



num - ber when the saints go march - ing in.  
 num - ber when the Lord in glo - ry comes.  
 num - ber when the new world is re - vealed.  
 num - ber when they gath - er round the throne.

- 5 Oh, when they crown him King of kings,  
 oh, when they crown him King of kings,  
 O Lord, I want to be in that number  
 when they crown him King of kings.

- 6 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

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

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**Church Fire Plan** For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety. The AED and a first aid kit are in the hallway by the office.

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## **Leading Worship Today**

**Minister:** Pastor Carey Meadows-Helmer

**Assisting Minister:** Scott Kuschnereit

**Diaconal Minister of Music:** Deacon Scott Knarr

**Choir Director:** Corey Linforth

**Soloists:** Nicole Hamilton, Corey Linforth

**Choral Scholars:** Nicole Hamilton, Hannah Swiderski, Nathalie Nasr, Dylan Siebert, Drew Aarssen, Daniel Cockayne

**Communion Server:** Linda McLellan

**Broadcast:** Jamie Foley

**Building Monitor:** Ron Roeder (519-895-6833)

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## **Worship Notes**

**In our prayers** Kevin, Betty, Anneke, Judy, Yvonne, Jeanette, Meaghan, Henry, Maureen and John.

**All are welcome at the meal** where Jesus is present loving and forgiving us. For the wine, there is a common cup station and a pouring chalice station (please take an empty small glass). There is also a small tray of pre-poured grape juice glasses. Gluten-free wafers are also available; please indicate this request to the Pastor. If you would (also) like to receive a blessing, please approach the Pastor with your arms crossed over your chest. If you'd like to receive Communion in your pew, the pastor will come to you. Please let an usher or the pastor know before worship if possible.

**All Saints** celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern

regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. In worship, whether virtual or in-building, we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

### **Saints Who Entered God's Eternal Realm:**

|                       |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| William (Tom) Hammond | Clare Schnarr  |
| Jack (John) Kopas     | Larry Scholtis |
| Ferdie Lazauskas      | Grace Schuster |
| Mauricienne Plouffe   | Gerda Wilkans  |
| Ken Schenk            |                |

### **Saints Entering the Household of God Through Holy Baptism:**

Mason Ronald Ogonowski  
Madelyn Elizabeth Seegmiller  
Theodore Levean  
Charlotte Levean-White  
Xander Mitchell Richard Keller

### **Information for today's worship**

- **Offering:** Will be collected today during the Offering Music.
- **Please join us for Fellowship Time** after worship in the Community Hall. Use any of the staircases (Narthex, west stair tower, parking lot tower) to go down.
- **Downstairs Washrooms** can be accessed via any of the staircases. There is one wheelchair accessible washroom, and the rest are all-gender washrooms. A further all-gender washroom is also available via the west stair tower door (front left of the Sanctuary) on the same level. Turn right at the hallway.

## General Announcements

**This Sunday, November 2**, please consider supporting the Out of the Cold program at St. Matthews. For those of you who receive boxed envelopes, there is a special blue envelope to donate. For anyone else, you can use the white envelopes on the back of the pews and mark the donation for Out of the Cold.

### Contact Information

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**The St. Matthews Centre**, our community hub, has a website which links all upcoming events, especially concerts of the KW Symphony and the Grand Philharmonic Choir.

Scroll down to “Upcoming Events”  
at <https://www.stmatthewscentre.ca>

The St. Matthews Centre also has a Facebook page, which you can “follow” to get updates.



# Advent Carol Service

## *Mary's Song*



featuring **Magnificat** H.79 by Marc-Antoine Charpentier  
with Caroline Schmidt, mezzo-soprano; Drew Aarssen, bass  
Allene Chomyn and Sebastian Meadows-Helmer, baroque violins

**Sunday, November 30, 2025 at 7 pm**  
*Freewill Offering*

St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 54 Benton Street, Kitchener  
[stmattskw.com](http://stmattskw.com)

## Upcoming Events at St. Matthews

**Sunday, November 9:** Remembrance Sunday

**Sunday, November 30:** Advent Carol Service at 7 pm

**Wednesday, December 3:** Christmas Social (11 am - 2 pm)

**Sunday, December 14:** Sunday School Pageant

**Wednesday, December 24:** German Language Christmas Eve Service (5:00pm)

**Wednesday, December 24:** English Language Christmas Eve Service (7:30 pm)

**Thursday, December 25:** Christmas Day Service (9:30 am)

**Wednesday, December 31:** New Year's Eve Service (4:30 pm)



## Coffee Hour needs your help!



### Join our team of Coffee Hour hosts!

Everything you need is provided — you just:

- Brew the coffee and tea
- Set out juice, water, cream, sugar, and cookies
- Enjoy the fellowship and help with cleanup

Written instructions are available, and Bev will walk you through the process.

We're looking for at least two more couples to help host coffee hour 4–5 times between November and June.



This is a wonderful way to serve our congregation and connect with others!

**If you can help, please contact: Bev Roeder — 519-505-1594**



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