

EPISTLE: REVELATION 7.2-17

2 And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, 3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. 4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: *and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.* 5 Of the tribe of Juda *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Reuben *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Gad *were sealed twelve thousand.* 6 Of the tribe of Aser *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Nephtholim *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Manasses *were sealed twelve thousand.* 7 Of the tribe of Simeon *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Levi *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Issachar *were sealed twelve thousand.* 8 Of the tribe of Zabulon *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Joseph *were sealed twelve thousand.* Of the tribe of Benjamin *were sealed twelve thousand.*

9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; 10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. 11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, 12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, *be unto our God for ever and ever.* Amen. 13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? 14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their

robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. 16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. 17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5.1-12

1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: 2 And 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* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.
5 Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.
6 Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
7 Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
8 Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
10 Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. 12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.



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The Communion of the Saints

A Great Multitude which no man could number stood before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes and with palms in their hands.

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All Saints' Day

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Today's Usher: *Rich Pfeifer*

Today's ALTAR FLOWERS - are given to the glory of God by
Stephanie Jonas.

**The Association of American Lutheran Churches, the Lutheran Church -
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THIS WEEK

- Today, 9:15am, Bible class
- Wednesday, 10am, Bible class

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday is Election Day. Remember to exercise your privilege of citizenship and vote.

AN ALL SAINTS PRAYER
by Veit Dietrich

O almighty and everlasting God, who through Thine only-begotten and beloved Son, Jesus Christ, wilt sanctify all Thine elected and beloved: Give us grace to follow their faith, hope, and charity, that we together with them may obtain eternal life: through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

NOTES & QUOTES

All Saints' Day is November 1st. The day before is All Saints' Eve, or, All Hallows' Eve, or, as we know it, Halloween. All Saints is a minor festival in the church in which we remember the saints and martyrs of old, and all the faithful departed. Because Dr. Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the door of the church on All Hallows' Eve, Lutherans have marked this day as a celebration of the Reformation. This has

tended to overshadow All Saints' Day in Lutheran Churches.

What a marvelous work of grace and mercy it is, when Christians here below, wandering through this vale of tears, endure in the faith to the end and depart in the peace of Christ. When we remember those in our lives who have died in the faith, we are moved to give thanks that they now enjoy the presence of Christ in paradise, and to pray we, too, will so endure, and so celebrate.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- Psalms - 67-73
- OT - Ezekiel 5-11
- NT - 1 Corinthians 3-9