

New Life Ev. Lutheran Church Lake Zurich, IL

...rooted in the word, growing in faith, reaching out to our uprooted world.

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St. Michael and All Angels (Minor Festival) September 29, 2024

A warm welcome to those who are visiting us today. You may hang your coat in the entry way of the church or on the coat rack downstairs. The bathrooms are located in the lower level of this building. Before you go home today, please sign our guest book located on the podium in the entry way. Also, refreshments are served in the fellowship hall after our service this morning. We invite you to join us for something to eat and drink.

Our lower level is wired for sound. If you need to take your child out during the service, you won't miss any of the sermon. The service is also simulcast on the church's Facebook page.

In the unlikely event of an emergency during this morning's service, you can exit the building using the main entryway or the exit to the right of the chancel. Our building does have a fire alarm system which is wired directly to the fire department. Remember, we follow the "Run, Hide, Fight" response in an emergency.

<u>Before Service Prayer</u>: Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the service of angels and men in a wonderful order. Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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As We Gather: FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST HAVE POWERFUL ALLIES

Green Berets. Rangers. SEALs. Delta Force. These special forces groups are part of the United States military. They are elite: highly trained with unique skill sets. Many of their important missions are carried out in total secrecy.

Two weeks ago, we acknowledged that we are in the middle of a massive spiritual war. Today, we thank God that we fight this war with the protection of special forces. Since the fifth century, Christians have observed the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels. We commemorate that God has sent Michael, one of the great archangels described in Scripture, and countless of his fellow angels to protect and serve mankind. Let us rejoice that followers of Christ have powerful allies!

Pastor's Welcome

HYMN CW 498 "Stars of the Morning"

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of God the Father,

People: who created us and all things and invites us to worship Him in this place as His

beloved children;

Pastor: in the name of God the № Son,

People: who gave His life for our forgiveness and salvation;

Pastor: in the name of God the Holy Spirit,

People: who calls us in faith, gathers us together in His church, and enlightens our faith

through the Word. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Matthew 22:37, 39; Philippians 1:6

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Merciful Lord whose love invites us, though our hearts and hands are unclean, cleanse and renew us by Your grace, for You are the God of our salvation and it is Your joy and gift to grant us forgiveness and new life: through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ said, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your

soul and with all your mind" and "Love your neighbor as yourself." This is both what the Law demands and what our Christian lives seek. Consider now how your lives have

reflected these commands.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Pastor: Holy and gracious God,

People: I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the

thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that my

heart may know peace. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you

all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our

Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (The congregation sings the words in bold print.)





HYMN OF PRAISE

Pastor: In the peace of forgiveness let us praise the Lord! (CW 500, CW93 287)

Lord God, to You we give all praise, with grateful hearts our voices raise that angel hosts You did create around Your glorious throne to wait.

They shine with light and heav'nly grace and constantly behold Your face. They heed Your voice, they know it well; in godly wisdom they excel.

They never rest nor sleep as we; their whole delight is but to be with You, Lord Jesus, and to keep Your little flock, Your lambs and sheep.

The ancient dragon is their foe; his envy and his wrath they know. It always is his aim and pride Your Christian people to divide.

As he of old deceived the world and into sin and death has hurled, so now he subtly lies in wait to undermine both Church and state.

A roaring lion, round he goes, no halt nor rest he ever knows; he seeks the Christians to devour and slay them by his dreadful pow'r.

(continued....)

But watchful is the angel band that follows Christ on ev'ry hand to guard His people where they go and break the counsel of the foe.

O Lord, awaken songs of praise for angel hosts that guard our days; teach us to serve You and adore as angels do forevermore.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O everlasting God, whose wise planning has ordained and constituted the ministry of men and angels in a wonderful order, mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth;

through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

WORD

FIRST LESSON Daniel 10:10–14; 12:1–3 (The promise of God to send St. Michael the archangel to have charge over God's people)

¹⁰ A hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. ¹¹ He said, "Daniel, you who are highly esteemed, consider carefully the words I am about to speak to you, and stand up, for I have now been sent to you." And when He said this to me, I stood up trembling.

¹² Then He continued, "Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them. ¹³ But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted Me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help Me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia. ¹⁴ Now I have come to explain to you what will happen to your people in the future, for the vision concerns a time yet to come."

"At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. ² Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. (NIV 2011)

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91B (See the insert.)

EPISTLE Revelation 12:7-12 – When war broke out in heaven, Michael and his angels defeated Satan and his demons.

⁷ Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. ⁸ But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. ⁹ The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say:

"Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of His Christ.

For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.

11 They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.

¹² Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them!

But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you!

He is filled with fury,

because he knows that his time is short." (NIV 2011)

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Soloist: Refrain.



Pastor: Rejoice in the Lord, for His love and faithfulness.

All: Refrain

Stand

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 10:17-20 – We rejoice that Christ enables us to overcome the work of demons. We rejoice even more that our names are written in heaven.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in Your name."

¹⁸ He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. ²⁰ However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." (NIV 2011)

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY CW 499 "Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken" (CWS 726)

SERMON

CREEDAL HYMN "We All Believe in One True God" (CW93 270)

We all believe in one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, ever-present help in need, praised by all the heav'nly host, by whose mighty pow'r alone all is made and wrought and done.

We all believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's Son, who descended from His throne and for us salvation won, by whose cross and death are we rescued from all misery.

We all confess the Holy Ghost, who from both fore'er proceeds, who upholds and comforts us in all trials, fears, and needs. Blessed, holy Trinity, praise to you eternally!

OFFERING The ushers will gather the offering which will then be placed on the Lord's Altar. Offerings can also be given electronically by using your smart phone and the QR code which takes you to the donation part of New Life's website.

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH



CLOSING COLLECT

Pastor:

God of power and might, St. Michael and all Your angels did Your bidding and won the heavenly battle until Your Son, Jesus Christ, ended the reign of Satan and gave victory to those whom He has redeemed with His blood. Guard us by the watchful care of Your holy angels now that we may be protected from the assault of the evil one and defended by Your grace to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:

Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go out into the world in peace, have courage, hold to what is good, return no person evil

for evil, strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the suffering, honor all people, love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. The almighty God—the

Father, the

Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless and keep you.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "God Shows His Love to Christendom" (CW93 236)

God shows His love to Christendom With blessings ever mounting, Among which He hath made for them Bright hosts beyond all counting; So let us all with gladness sing, This day to God our thanks we bring For our angelic guardians.

They dress for war when dangers near, And to the battle hasten, To rescue all who God revere, And all the foe to chasten; So let us all with gladness sing, This day to God our thanks we bring For our angelic watchmen.

They keep the path from peril free, For all men, great and humble, Lest any suffer injury, Or on the pathway stumble; So let us all with gladness sing, This day to God our thanks we bring For our angelic keepers.

Our Father's Business in the Coming Week

Cleaning this week: Sarvady

Today—St. Michael and All Angel Service at 9:30 AM

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class at 10:45 AM

Confirmation Class at 6:30 PM

Friday—Men's Bible Class at 11:30 AM

Next Sunday—Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Service at 9:30 AM

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class at 10:45 AM

Confirmation Class at 6:00 PM

FELLOWSHIP SIGN-UP SHEET

A new sign-up sheet has been posted for providing something to eat and drink after the Sunday service. The sheet covers October 2024 through January 2025.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

The adult Bible class will finish studying the account of the raising of Jesus entering Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and Jesus anointed by Mary in the home of Simon the Leper in John 12 and the Sunday school will learn the story "Hannah and Samuel." Christian education hour starts at 10:45 AM today.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

The next ladies night out sponsored by the Branch Connection will be held on Tuesday, October 8 at 6:00 PM at the North Point Kitchen and Bar, located at 24238 N. Lakeside Drive in Lake Zurich.