

All Saints Sunday

November 5, 2023

### Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 3

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. At the Lord's table 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.

### HYMN SING ALONG

### **GATHERING**

### Welcome & Announcements

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Please stand as you are able.

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit
- C Amen
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- **P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence for reflection and self-examination.*
- P Gracious God.
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Gather Us In

**ELW 532** 



### **GREETING**

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

### **K**YRIE



### HYMN OF PRAISE





### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

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

C Amen. Please be seated.

### WORD

### FIRST READING: REVELATION 7:9-17

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>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, <sup>12</sup>singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that 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.

<sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

<sup>17</sup>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."

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

### PSALM 34:1-10, 22

Sung responsively



<sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD at all times;

the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

### <sup>2</sup>I will glory | in the LORD;

let the lowly hear | and rejoice.

<sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;

let us exalt God's | name together.

# <sup>4</sup>I sought the LORD, who | answered me and delivered me from | all my terrors.

<sup>5</sup>Look upon the LORD and be radiant,

and let not your faces | be ashamed.

# <sup>6</sup>I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me and saved me from | all my troubles.

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD and de- | livers them.

<sup>8</sup>Taste and see that the | LORD is good;

happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!

<sup>9</sup>Fear the LORD, you saints | of the LORD,

for those who fear the | LORD lack nothing.

10The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,

but those who seek the LORD lack nothing | that is good.

 $^{22}\mathrm{O}$  LORD, you redeem the life  $^{\dagger}$  of your servants,

and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished.

### SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 3:1-3

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



- P The Holy Gospel, according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

- <sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- <sup>5</sup>"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.
- <sup>7</sup>"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- 8"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- <sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- <sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- <sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ. Please be seated.

SERMON PR. DINAH DUTTA

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.



- P Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

### THE PRAYERS

A Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

### A brief silence.

A Holy God, the church triumphant gathers around your throne to praise you. We join them in worship and remember your sustaining grace in every generation. Heal our divisions; show us unity in your presence. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

A Holy creator, we marvel at your creation revealed in the cycle of seasons, changing landscapes, and the rise and fall of ocean tides. Turn us from selfish consumption and open us to gentle healing of the earth so all creation thrives. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

A Holy savior, we pray for safety from violence for those living in areas of war and violence. We lift the German Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Ukraine, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Urals, Siberia and the Far East, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land to you in prayer as they face these times of conflict. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

A Holy advocate, we lift grateful hearts for the ability to vote and elect leaders. Grant wisdom to those who will be elected and safety to poll workers. May civic leaders serve the whole community, especially all who are underrepresented or oppressed. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

A Holy healer, send your compassion to all who grieve, grant wholeness to those who are sick, and accompany the dying. Be near to all who need you, especially Debbie Pomeroy, Peggy Buchholz, Naomi Walker, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, and Martha Nemeth. Be their rest and comfort. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

A Holy comforter, we pray for this congregation, that the promise of your new life may be shared and experienced. We pray for the funeral ministry of this congregation, that families and friends seeking your love find it here. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

A Holy giver of life, we pray for Julie Reeves, Pr. Andrew Patty, and Rosie Nichols as they celebrate their birthdays, Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

A Holy king, unite us in faith with Lutheran Church of the Living Christ in Florissant, Missouri, Iglesia Luterana Sagrado Corazon and St. James Lutheran Church in Garden City, Kansas. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

P Holy One, for the saints who now rest in your mercy, we give you thanks. We remember their witness of faithfulness and love. Praise to you for the eternal life they have been given through Jesus Christ. Hear us, O God.

### C hear our prayer.

P We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

### C Amen.

### LITANY OF THE SAINTS

- P Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Christ, have mercy.
- C Christ, have mercy.
- P Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Be gracious to us. Deliver your people.
- C Hear us, O God.
- A You loved us before the world was made. You rescued the people of your promise. You spoke through your prophets. You gave your only Son for the life of the world:

### C Hear us. O God.

A For Sarah and Abraham, Isaac and Rebekah. For Gideon and Deborah, David and Esther. For Moses and Isaiah, Jeremiah and Daniel. For Miriam and Rahab, Abigail and Ruth:

### C Thanks be to God.

A For Mary, mother of our Lord. For John, who baptized in the Jordan. For Mary Magdalene and Joanna, Mary and Martha. For James and John, Peter and Andrew. For Paul and Apollos, Stephen and Phoebe:

### C Thanks be to God.

A For all holy men and women, our mothers and fathers in faith. For the noble band of the prophets. For the glorious company of the apostles. For the whiterobed army of martyrs. For cherubim and seraphim, Michael and the holy angels:

### C Thanks be to God.

A Let us remember those we have lost this year.

Rebecca Ann Norburg Carter

Rev. Walter Laughlin

Lois Axelton

As each name is read, a candle is lit.

Michael Jackson

Don O'Brien

They loved their family. They served their country, their communities, their church. They will be remembered and their presence will remain in our hearts.

- C Thanks be to God.
- P Be gracious to us. Deliver your people.
- C Hear us, O God.
- P Give new life to your servants by the grace of baptism. Strengthen all who bear the sign of the cross. Clothe us in compassion and love. Bring us with all your saints to the river of life:
- C Hear us, O God.
- P Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Christ, have mercy.
- C Christ, have mercy.
- P Lord, have mercy.
- C Lord, have mercy.

### THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

### C And also with you.

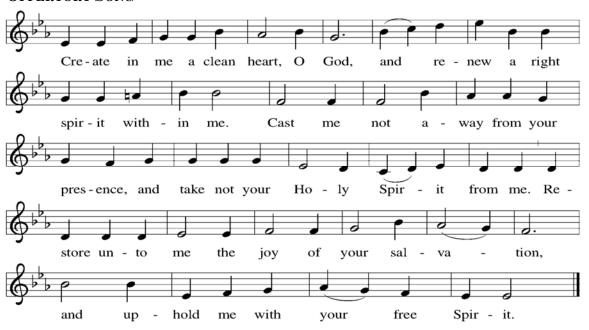
Let us greet one another with God's peace.

Please be seated.

### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

### OFFERING

### **OFFERTORY SONG**



### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

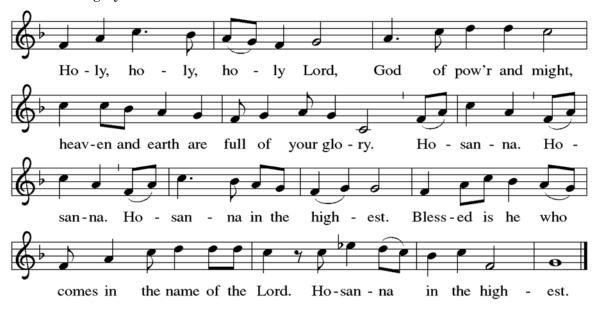
A God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

### C Amen.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our

calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C 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

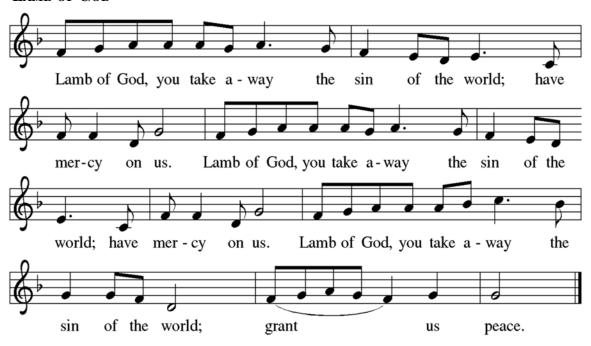
forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

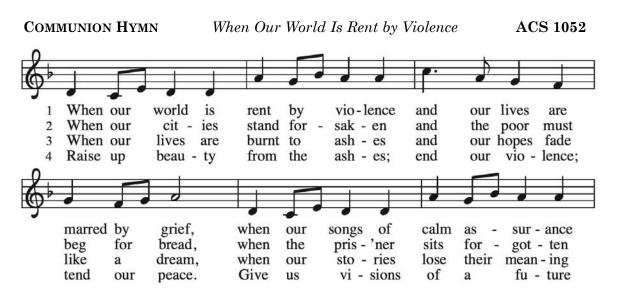
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

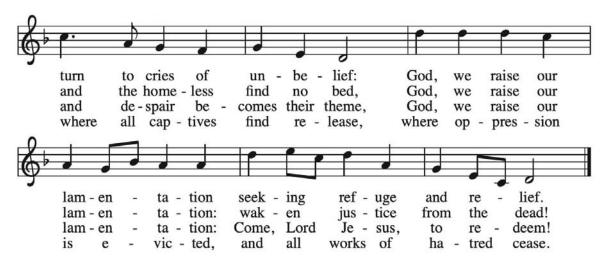
### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

### LAMB OF GOD







### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

### C Amen.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

### C Amen.

### SENDING PRAYER FOR COMMUNION KITS

P Gracious God, loving all your family with a parent's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist us in this ministry on which we are sent forth. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this sacrament, that through the body and blood of your Son we all may know the comfort of your abiding presence.

### C Amen.

### **SENDING**

### BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

### C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

As Saints of Old

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### DISMISSAL

- A Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

### **POSTLUDE**

# Welcome to worship at Trinity! Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you found the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767.



We offer a special thank you to Pastor Dinah Dutta for serving at worship today. We appreciate her willingness to serve here over the next few weeks. Thank you, Pr. Dinah!



Our Trunk or Treat event on October 29th was a great, even if the weather did cause it to be held indoors. There were plenty of treats to go around.

Thanks to Bishop Susan for her willingness to stay and visit and play and pose with the kids: Hudson, Camdyn, Carsyn, Isis, and Marek.



Plans for the Thanksgiving Eve service are under way. It appears this year's service will be held at First Lutheran. Please plan to attend on November 22nd and also be willing to say yes if asked to help with the service in any way. There are plans for a visiting time after worship; more details will be provided once plans are finalized.

	UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY	
Today, Nov. 5	All Saints Sunday	
	Hymn Sing Along	10:15 AM
	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
	Coffee Hour	after worship
	Congregational Life Committee meeting .	after coffee hour
Tues., Nov. 7	Quilters	9:30 AM
Sun., Nov. 12	Adult Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
	with special collection for Bethany Village	

	Worship Assistants								
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts	
Nov. 5	Brayden Winsor	Marcy Carlson, Dean McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	LaVell Winsor	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Dinah Dutta	Curt & Jane Lewis	
Nov. 12	Parker Jackson	Duane Pomeroy, Howard Reece	Laurie Jackson	Loni Reece	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Dinah Dutta		
Nov. 19	Laurie Jackson	Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Mitchell Bean	Duane Pomeroy	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Marsha Ridinger	Pr. Gary Teske		
Nov. 26	Curt Lewis, Ella Bosch	Bob Horton, Dean McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Janice Greenlee & Team 2	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Michael Haar		

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS								
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly	Weekly Income Minus Average	Attendance/ Communion		
Oct. 8	\$1,493.00	\$0.00	\$1,493.00	-\$1,653.85	-\$160.85	24/19		
Oct. 15	\$1,181.00	\$0.00	\$1,181.00	-\$1,653.85	-\$472.85	38/26		
Oct. 22	\$2,712.00	\$0.00	\$2,712.00	-\$1,653.85	\$1,058.15	53/41		
Oct. 29	\$745.00	\$289.00	\$1,034.00	-\$1,653.85	-\$619.85	37/32		
				Expense				
		Aug. 2023	\$16,374.93	-\$12,500.86	\$3,874.07			
		Jan Aug.	\$115,595.34	-\$99,775.95	\$15,819.39			

## Clothing Room Needs

(Gently Used, Not New)

### Men

- Sweatshirts/sweatpants (All sizes)
- Jeans (All Sizes)
- Dress Slacks (Especially Size 30-34)
- Shoes (Tennis & Casual, All Sizes)
- T-Shirts (All sizes, Especially 3x-7x)

### Women

- Sweatshirts/sweatpants (All sizes)
- Sleepwear
- Feminine Products (tampons & pads)

### **Small Appliances**

• Toasters, Mixers, Coffee Pots

### **Boys**

- Jeans, Sweatpants, Shirts (All Sizes)
- Shoes (All Sizes)

### Girls

- Jeans, Sweatpants, Shirts (All Sizes)
- Pajamas (All Sizes)
- Teen Girl Jeans, Sweatpants & Shirts (All Sizes)
- Shoes (All Sizes)

### **Bedding**

- Blankets & Comforters (All Sizes)
- Sheet Sets (Twin, Queen, & King)
- Clean Bed Pillows

### Food Room Needs

The need for food for our neighbors has increased dramatically. This year, we have spent \$38,000 on food to keep our shelves stocked (we projected only \$8,000 being needed), and may very well spend \$50,000 or more by year end. Currently, we have assisted more households in 9 months than we did in all of 2022.

Currently, we are in need of the following items:

- Beans, Canned & Dried
- Boxed Potatoes
- Canned Fruit
- Hand Can Openers
- Egg Noodles
- Milk, Canned & Powdered
- Oatmeal
- Pancake Mix

- Pasta, Boxed Pasta, Spaghetti, Spaghetti O's, Macaroni & Cheese, Ravioli
- Peanut Butter
- Peas
- Pork & Beans
- Soups, Chicken Noodle, Vegetable, Tomato, & Cream of Mushroom
- Tuna



October 22 was Pr. Andrew's last day at worship with us. As he moves to St. John's Lutheran Church in New York City, we gave him a warm sendoff with a pot-luck lunch and the kids had a few gifts for him. Being a big kid himself, he likes Pokemon as much as the younger kids: Asher, Addy, Ella, and Everly.

On Sunday, November 19th, we will bless the quilts that our quilting group has made this year. After worship, they will be taken to Doorstep so they can be gifted to the families they sponsor for Christmas.

Our quilt group includes Junior & Liz Utech, Linda Longren, Carol Marker, and Jackie Berillon.





### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

# Together in Community

# Living with Christ

# Caring for Neighbors

### Caring for Our Neighbors

Jesus commands us that when we care for the least of these; that we are in the presence of Christ (*Matthew 25:44-45*). As a congregation, we deeply care about serving those in need in our community. We hope to be a place of refuge and support for our neighborhood and to be a place to uplift those people that struggle around us. We also support ministries both local, national, and global as a church in the ELCA. As a congregation, we focus our efforts to partner with community organizations like Doorstep, while expanding opportunities to help our neighborhood through activities like our food ministry and community garden. We continue to be open to the ways that God calls us to be a presence in our community and to create a world where all are cared for in our society (*Philippians 2:4*).

### CONGREGATION COUNCIL

President Duane Pomeroy
Vice-President Curt Lewis (Maintenance)

Secretary Diane Bottorff (Community Relations)

Shelley Andrews (Administration)

Carol Marker (Spiritual Care)

Pam Kobbeman (Administration)

Dean McGinnis (Congregational Life)

Treasurer Bob Kobbeman