Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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Church Mission

"Bringing Christ to the people... ...the people to Christ"

Church Slogan

Living, Loving, Leading, and Laughing; that's Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

Our Ministers

The people

Our Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark Braaten

Parish Administrator

Debbie Miller

Financial Administrator

Carol Lattier

Organist & Keyboardist

Jaeyong Lee

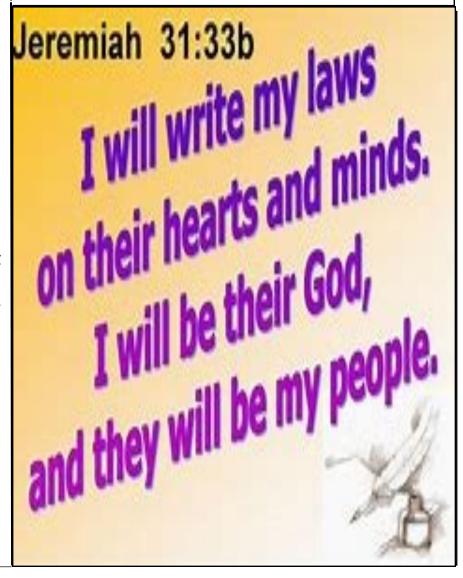
Council President

Bill Videtto

Member Goals

As disciples of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we strive to grow in faith through daily prayer and bible reading, attending worship services, tithing, and serving others.

July 26, 2020 Worship Service 9:00 A.M. & 10:15 A.M.





TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS

Thank you for joining with us! We're glad you are here.

- * Because of COVID-19, we are not providing child care during today's service. Please have your family sit together.
- * We practice open communion. If you are baptized and desire to share in the body and blood of our Lord, please join us. Our communion today is different than usual so that we can be in compliance with proper "social distancing."
- * We begin communing children in the 5th grade. We will offer a communion class to prepare 5th graders to receive this sacrament once we are able to offer in person classes again.
- * Let us know if we can be of assistance to you! If so, please let one of our ushers know.

WORSHIP SERVERS

9:00 A.M. Worship

LMC: Bob Tardiff

Ushers: Launa Tardiff and Ed Lattier

Reader: Jan Moch

Music Leader: Sherry Towns

10:15 A.M. Worship

LMC & Usher: Pending

Usher: Connie Gibbs Reader: Blaine Davis Music Leader: Sherry Towns

EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST JULY 26, 2020 — WELCOME!

It is a pleasure to worship together.

PRELUDE JAEYONG LEE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

OPENING HYMN ~ COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING LBW 499

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace. Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of endless glory Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me ever to adore thee, May I still they good-ness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by thy help I'm come. And I hope by they good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God. He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love,
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.

CONFESSION OF SIN

- 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: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
 - Silence for reflection and self-examination.
- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

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.

KYRIE ~ SUNG

- A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

LBW 439

What a friend we have in Jesus. all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged – take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer. In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray; O God, your almighty power is most clearly shown in your mercy and pity. Multiply your grace that we may run to your promises and be made to share in your heavenly joy; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please sit

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 31:31-34

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, lal says the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be

their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 125

¹Those who trust in the Lord are | like Mount Zion,* which cannot be moved, but stands | fast forever.

²The hills stand a- | bout Jerusalem;*

so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for- | evermore.

³The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted | to the just,* so that the just shall not put their | hands to evil.

⁴Show your goodness, O Lord, to those | who are good* and to those who are | true of heart.

⁵As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the Lord will lead them away with the | evildoers;* but peace be | upon Israel.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:28-39

who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died — more than that, who was raised — who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷No,

in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ I HAVE DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; No turning back, no turning back.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

<u>Please stand</u>

GOSPEL VERSE ~ LORD, LET MY HEART BE GOOD SOIL

WOV 713

Lord, let my heart be good soil, Open to the seed of your Word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, Where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away.

When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.

When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 13:44-52

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 13th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁴{Jesus said to the disciples,} "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it. ⁴⁷Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." ⁵²And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

After the reading:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARK BRAATEN

Please stand

SONG OF THE DAY ~ IN THE GARDEN

I come to the garden alone While the dew is still on the roses And the voice I hear falling on my ear The Son of God discloses

Refrain:

And He walks with me
And He talks with me
And He tells me I am His own
And the joy we share as we tarry there
None other has ever known

He speaks and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing
Refrain

I'd stay in the garden with Him
Tho' the night around me be falling
But He bids me go thro' the voice of woe
His voice to me is calling
Refrain

APOSTLES' 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.

THE PRAYERS

Congregation sings refrain of "Lord, listen to your children praying." WOV 775

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Pastor Mark prays while Jaeyong plays refrain in background Congregation repeats refrain

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 89 LBW

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

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.'

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of His resurrection, we await His coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

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.

LAMB OF GOD ~ P. 92 LBW

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

(COMMUNION SONGS ARE FOR 10:15 SERVICE ONLY)

COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ IN REMEMBRANCE OF MEWOV 702

In remembrance of Me,
Eat this bread.
In remembrance of Me,
Drink this wine.
In remembrance of Me,
Pray for the time
When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of Me, Heal the sick. In remembrance of Me, Feed the poor. In remembrance of Me, Open the door And let your brother in, Let him in. Take, eat and be comforted;
Drink and remember too,
That this is My body and
precious blood
Shed for you,
Shed for you.

In remembrance of Me, Search for truth. In remembrance of Me Always love. In remembrance of Me, Don't look above, But in your heart Look for God.

Do this in remembrance of Me.

COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

WOV710

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; One cup of blessing, which we bless, And we, though many throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord. Gentile or Jew, Servant or free, Woman or man, No more.

(Continued on following page)

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; One cup of blessing, which we bless, And we, though many throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, Many the works, One in the Lord Of all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; One cup of blessing, which we bless, And we, though many throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord.
Grain for the fields, Scattered and grown,
Gather to one For all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; One cup of blessing, which we bless, And we, though many throughout the earth, We are one body in this one Lord.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ "SONG OF SIMEON"

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace,
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the Salvation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.
A light to reveal you to the Nations,
And the glory of your people, Israel.

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CLOSING SONG ~ I'LL FLY AWAY

Some glad morning when this life is o'er,

I'll fly away.

To a home on God's celestial shore,

I'll fly away.

When the shadows of this life have grown,

I'll fly away.

Like a bird from prison bars has flown,

I'll fly away. Chorus

Chorus:

I'll fly away, O glory;

I'll fly away.

When I die, hallelujah, by and by,

I'll fly away.

Just a few more weary days and then,

I'll fly away.

To a land where joys shall never end,

I'll fly away. Chorus

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE ~ DR. JAEYONG LEE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Schedule

Here is our worship schedule as we continue to move forward:

- *Every Sunday we offer online worship. It can be found on our congregation's Facebook page and website.
- *At 9:00 a.m. on Sunday we have an outdoor service.
- *At 10:15 a.m. we have worship in the sanctuary.

Online Worship

A reminder, OSLC now offers two different online worship formats each week. We are continuing to offer the shorter, more devotional format that we have done for the past 4 months. And just in the last few weeks we have started livestreaming the entire worship service. Please watch the format that you prefer.

We are having a few technical challenges as we work with this new online service. We apologize for problems in the broadcast. Please know that we are working hard on straightening all this out.

Online NALC Mission Convocation

Every year in August the NALC holds a Mission Convocation. Delegates and pastors from all the congregations in the NALC gather to worship, renew, and do the business of the national church. Each year we send one or two delegates and Pastor Mark.

This year, due to health concerns resulting from the coronavirus pandemic, the NALC will not be able to meet in person. The convocation will instead be on line. The good news about this is that you are all invited to check it out! All of our members can be part of all of the whole event or a segment. Our church council will appoint one voting delegate, but everyone can join in. This events really are fun. The NALC has intentionally focused on worship and proclamation and renewal at the convocation. The intent is to "fire up the church". Please consider joining. Here is some preliminary information:

The 2020 NALC Mission Convocation will meet online in two sessions Aug. 7-8 under the theme "2020 Vision." The online meetings will be held 5-8 pm. CT on Friday, Aug. 7, and 1-5 p.m. CT on Saturday, Aug. 8. Arrangements have been made so that there can be online discussion and voting. A major focus of the convocation will be the 2020 Vision prepared by Bishop Dan Selbo.

Thank you for wearing a face mask. We are all in this together



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (JULY 26 – AUGUST 2, 2020)

This Week's Office Hours: Varies due to COVID-19.

IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865 AND YOUR CALL WILL BE RETURNED.

SUNDAY—July 26, 2020

9:00 a.m. THURSDAY
Bible Study

10:00 a.m.

Worship Service, Outside 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service, Inside 10:15 a.m.
Council Meeting 11:15 a.m.

MONDAY FRIDAY

No Activities Scheduled No Activities Scheduled

<u>TUESDAY</u> <u>SATURDAY</u>

Quilters 9:00 a.m. No Activities Scheduled

WEDNESDAY SUNDAY—August 2, 2020

No Activities Scheduled Worship Service, Outside 9:00 a.m. Worship Service, Inside 10:15 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP		WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE	
Monthly Budget	\$ 23,058	Worship Average as of March 15, 2020	130
Previous July Offering Offering July 12, 2020 Total July Offering	\$ 14,582 	Attendance July 5, 2020: 9:00 a.m. Service—34 10:15 a.m. Service—34	68
2020 Congregational Offering Year To Date	<u>\$146,866</u>	Worship Average Since Returning on May 31, 2020	77