

# 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

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Bill Videtto

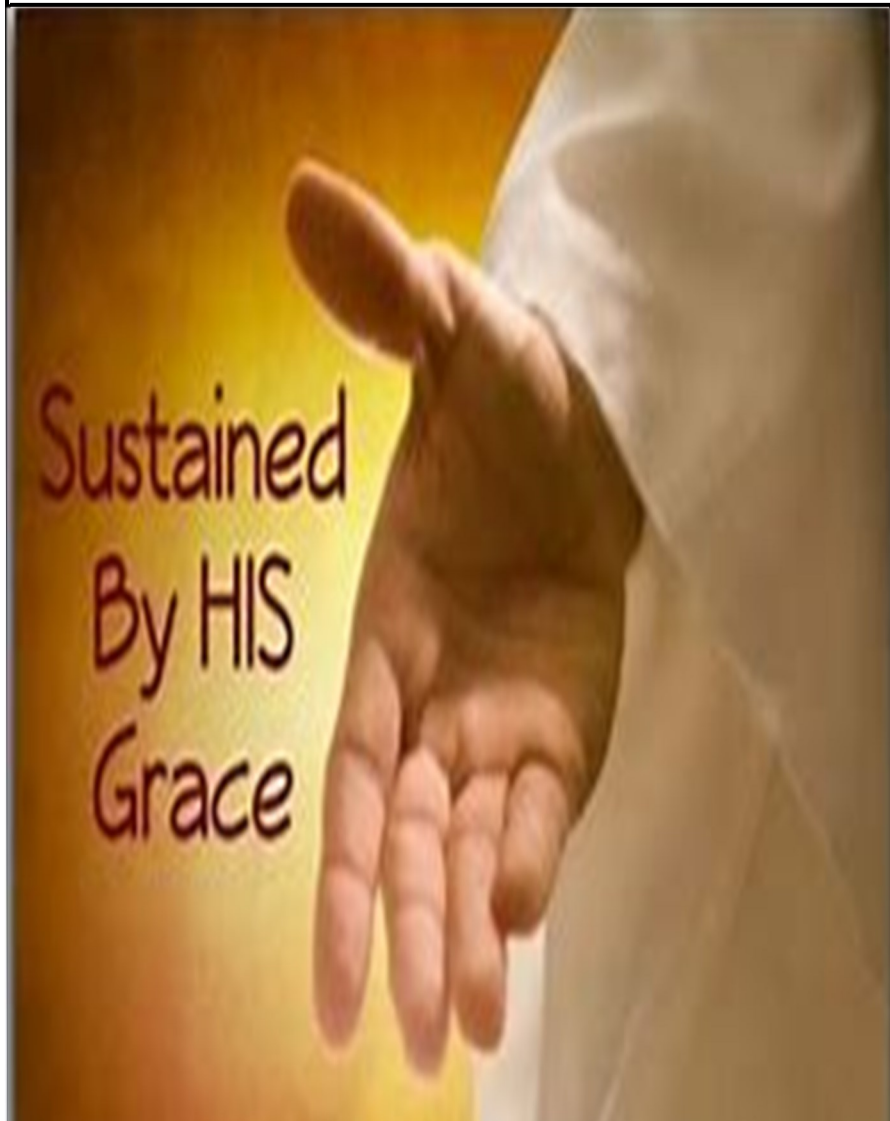
## Member Goals

*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.*

**August 9, 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 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We will offer a communion class to prepare 5<sup>th</sup> 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: Ken Pontious  
Ushers: Ed Lattier  
Reader: Cheryl Pontious  
Music Leader: Sherry Towns

**10:15 A.M. Worship**

LMC & Usher: Ryan Gibbs  
Usher: Kristen Blaise  
Reader: Rachel Gibbs  
Music Leader: Sherry Towns

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## NINTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

### August 9, 2020 — WELCOME!

It is a pleasure to worship together.

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**PRELUDE**  
**JAEYONG LEE**

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand*

### OPENING HYMN ~ SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER

WOV 690

Shall we gather at the river,  
Where bright angel feet have trod,  
With its crystal tide forever  
Flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we'll gather at the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river  
That flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river,  
Washing up its silver spray,  
We will walk and worship ever,  
All the happy golden day.

Yes, we'll gather at the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river  
That flows by the throne of God.

Ere we reach the shining river,  
Lay we ev'ry burden down;  
Grace our spirits will deliver,  
And provide a robe and crown.

Yes, we'll gather at the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river  
That flows by the throne of God.

### 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 ~ GOD WILL MAKE A WAY

God will make a way  
Where there seems to be no way.  
He works in ways we cannot see.  
He will make a way for me.  
He will be my Guide,  
Hold me closely to His side.  
With love and strength for each new day.  
He will make a way...He will make a way.

(Repeat)

By a roadway in the wilderness,  
You lead me.  
Rivers in the desert will I see.

Heaven and earth will fade,  
But His Word will still remain.  
And He will do something new Today.

God will make a way  
Where there seems to be no way.  
He works in ways we cannot see.  
He will make a way for me.  
He will be my Guide,  
Hold me closely to His side.  
With love and strength for each new day  
He will make a way...He will make a way.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray; Almighty and merciful God, only by your gift of grace can the faithful offer service that is worthy of you and deserving of praise. Keep us from stumbling as we run to receive your promises; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*Please sit*

## FIRST READING: JOB 38:4-18

<sup>4</sup>“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements — surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup>Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, <sup>9</sup>when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup>and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, <sup>11</sup>and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed?’ <sup>12</sup>Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, <sup>13</sup>that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? <sup>14</sup>It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. <sup>15</sup>From the wicked their light is withheld, and their up-

lifted arm is broken. <sup>16</sup>Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? <sup>17</sup>Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? <sup>18</sup>Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.”

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 18:1-17

<sup>1</sup>I love you, O | Lord my strength,\*

O Lord my stronghold, my crag, | and my haven.

<sup>2</sup>**My God, my rock in whom I | put my trust,\***

**my shield, the horn of my salvation, and my refuge: You are worth- | y of praise.**

<sup>3</sup>I will call up- | on the Lord,\*

and so shall I be saved | from my enemies.

<sup>4</sup>**The breakers of death rolled | over me,\***

**and the torrents of oblivion made | me afraid.**

<sup>5</sup>The cords of hell en- | tangled me,\*

and the snares of death were | set for me.

<sup>6</sup>**I called upon the Lord in | my distress\***

**and cried out to my | God for help.**

<sup>7</sup>He heard my voice from his heav- | enly dwelling;\*

my cry of anguish came | to his ears.

<sup>8</sup>**The earth | reeled and rocked;\***

**the roots of the mountains shook; they reeled because | of his anger.**

<sup>9</sup>Smoke rose from his nostrils and a consuming fire out | of his mouth;\*

hot burning coals blazed | forth from him.

<sup>10</sup>**He parted the heavens | and came down\***

**with a storm cloud un- | der his feet.**

<sup>11</sup>He mounted on cherub- | im and flew;\*

he swooped on the wings | of the wind.

<sup>12</sup>**He wrapped dark- | ness about him;\***

**he made dark waters and thick clouds | his pavilion.**

<sup>13</sup>From the brightness of his presence, | through the clouds,\*

burst hailstones and | coals of fire.

<sup>14</sup>**The Lord thundered | out of heaven;\***

**the Most High ut- | tered his voice.**

<sup>15</sup>He loosed his arrows and | scattered them;\*

he hurled thunderbolts and | routed them.

<sup>16</sup>**The beds of the seas were uncovered, and the foundations of the | world laid bare,\*  
at your battle cry, O Lord, at the blast of the breath | of your nostrils.**

<sup>17</sup>He reached down from on high | and grasped me;\*  
he drew me out | of great waters.

### **SECOND READING: ROMANS 10:5-17**

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>"or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." <sup>14</sup>How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **CHILDREN'S SONG ~ I'VE GOT THE JOY, JOY, JOY, JOY**

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart

Where?

Down in my heart!

Where?

Down in my heart!

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart

Down in my heart to stay

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please stand

### GOSPEL VERSE ~ THY WORD

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path.  
...And a light unto my path.

### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:22-33

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 14th Chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>Immediately {Jesus} made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup>And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

*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 ~ FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

LBW 561, vs. 1,2, & 4

For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the wonder of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flow'r,

sun and moon and stars of light:  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above;  
for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

### 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.**



**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 ~ ON EAGLE'S WINGS**

WOV 779

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
Who abide in this shadow for life,  
Say to the Lord: "My refuge,  
My rock in whom I trust!"  
"And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
Bear you on the breath of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun,  
And hold you in the palm of my hand."

Snares of the fowler will never capture you,  
And famine will bring you no fear;  
Under God's wings your refuge  
With faithfulness your shield.  
"And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
Bear you on the breath of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun,  
And hold you in the palm of my hand."

(Continued on following page)

For to the angels God's given a command  
To guard you in all of your ways;

Upon their hands they will bear you up,  
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

### **COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ I LOVE YOU, LORD**

I love you, Lord,  
And I lift my voice  
To worship You,  
O my soul, rejoice!  
Take joy, my King,  
In what you hear;  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound  
In Your ear.

### **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.

### **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 ~ LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

Lord I lift Your name on high  
Lord I love to sing Your praises  
I'm so glad You're in my life  
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth  
To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high

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To show the way  
From the earth to the cross  
My debt to pay  
From the cross to the grave  
From the grave to the sky  
Lord I lift Your name on high

## 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.

### **Procedures for Indoor Worship**

Just a couple of reminders for our indoor worship service:

First, please do remember to social distance in the narthex as you talk. We are excited to see each other, but let's keep a safe distance.

Second, remember at the end of the indoor service, the ushers will usher you out. Please remain in your seats until you are instructed to leave.

Third, of course please do wear your mask for the indoor service as long as you are inside the church building. That is a great way to care for our neighbors.

Thank you!

### **Start for Sunday School**

One of the questions our church council has been wrestling with is when to begin Sunday School in the fall. We've decided to tentatively work toward beginning the first Sunday in October. That will give us some time to see how reopening the schools go as we seek to reopen our Sunday School safely. Please keep all of this in your prayers!

### **No Oktoberfest this Year**

Given the pandemic, we've decided to not hold Oktoberfest this year. We want to be most careful to be safe so we will hold off a year. We are going to be back in 2021 even better and stronger!



**MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP**

*Pray Daily*



*Read the Bible Regularly*



*Worship Weekly*



*Relate to Others for Spiritual Growth*



*Tithe (10%) of my Financial Resources*



*Serve in Ministry at and beyond our Congregation*

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

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (AUGUST 9 – AUGUST 16, 2020)**

THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS: VARIES DUE TO COVID-19.  
 IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865 AND IF NO ONE ANSWERS,  
 LEAVE A MESSAGE AND YOUR CALL WILL BE RETURNED.

**SUNDAY—August 9, 2020**

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

**THURSDAY**

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

**MONDAY**

No Activities Scheduled

**FRIDAY**

No Activities Scheduled

**TUESDAY**

Quilters 9:00 a.m.

**SATURDAY**

No Activities Scheduled

**WEDNESDAY**

No Activities Scheduled

**SUNDAY—August 9, 2020**

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	\$ 22,440	Attendance August 2, 2020:	
Offering August 2, 2020	\$ 2,129	9:00 a.m. Service—28	75
Total August Offering	\$ 2,129	10:15 a.m. Service—47	
2020 Congregational Offering Year To Date	\$ 156,758	Worship Average Since Returning on May 31, 2020	77