

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.*

September 6, 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:
Music Leader: Sherry Towns

10:15 A.M. Worship

LMC & Usher:
Usher:
Reader:
Music Leader: Sherry Towns

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
September 6, 2020 — WELCOME!

It is a joy to worship together.

PRELUDE
JAERYONG LEE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

OPENING HYMN ~ I OFFER MY LIFE

All that I am, all that I have,
I lay them down before You, O Lord.
All my regrets, all my acclaim:
The joy and the pain,
I'm making them Yours.

Chorus:

*Lord, I offer my life to you.
Everything I've been through
use it for your glory.
Lord I offer my days to you.
Lifting my praise to you,
as a pleasing sacrifice.
Lord, I offer you my life.*

Things in the past, things yet unseen:
Wishes and dreams
that are yet to come true,
All of my hopes, all of my plans,
My heart and my hands,
are lifted to You.

Chorus

What can we give
that you have not given?
And what do we have
that is not already yours?
All we possess are
these lives we're living.
And that's what we give to You, Lord.

Chorus

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 ~ THIS IS THE FEAST

LBW P. 81

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was
slain, whose blood set us free to be
people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and
strength and honor and blessing
and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God
and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever.

Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun
his reign.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray; O Lord, always lead and follow us with your grace, that we may be still more intent on doing good. Grant this, we pray, 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: EZEKIEL 33:7-9

⁷“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.”

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 32:1-6

- ¹Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,*
and whose sin is | put away!
- ²**Happy are they to whom the Lord im- | putes no guilt,*
and in whose spirit there | is no guile!**
- ³While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,*
because of my groaning | all day long.
- ⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;*
my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer.**
- ⁵Then I acknowledged my | sin to you,*
and did not con- | ceal my guilt.
- ⁶**I said, "I will confess my transgressions | to the Lord."
Then you forgave me the guilt | of my sin.**

SECOND READING: ROMANS 13:1-10

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed. ⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ FATHER ABRAHAM

Father Abraham had many sons
Had many sons had Father Abraham
I am one of them
And so are you
So let's just praise the Lord

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please stand

GOSPEL VERSE ~ ALLELUIA, LORD

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:1-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 18th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. ⁷Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire. ¹⁰See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go

in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. ¹⁵If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

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 ~ CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER

LBW 474

Children of the heavenly Father
Safely in His bosom gather
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge ne'er was given

God His own doth tend and nourish
In His holy courts they flourish
From all evil things He spares them
In His mighty arms He bears them

Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever
Unto them His grace He showeth
And their sorrows all He knoweth

Though He giveth or He taketh
God His children ne'er forsaketh
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy

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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Congregation repeats refrain

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, grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION

(COMMUNION SONGS ARE FOR 10:15 SERVICE ONLY)

COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

WOV 731

This is my Father's world,
And to my list'ning ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world;
The birds their carols raise;
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their maker's praise.

This is my Father's world;
He shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;
He speaks to me ev'rywhere.

This is my Father's world;
Oh, let me not forget
That, though the wrong seems oft so
strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world;
Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring;
God reigns, let the earth be glad!

COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

WOV 648

I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

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I want to see the brightness of God
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on
my path.
And show me the way to the Father.
In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
We shall know the joy of Jesus.
In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

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 ~ GLORY TO GOD

(Sung to the tune of "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee")

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth;
We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise;
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

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 ~ SENT FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING

LBW221

Sent forth by God's blessing,
our true faith confessing,
the people of God
 from his dwelling take leave.

The supper is ended.
Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service
in all who believe.

The seed of his teaching,
receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action
 for God and for all.

His grace did invite us,
his love shall unite us
to work for God's kingdom
 and answer his call.

With praise and thanksgiving
to God ever-living,
the tasks of our ev'ryday
 life we will face.

Our faith ever sharing,
in love ever caring,
embracing his children
 of each tribe and race.

With your feast you feed us,
with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life
 that we share.

Then may all the living
with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ
 and his name that we bear.

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE ~ DR. JAEYONG LEE

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****ANNOUNCEMENTS****

Looking for Change

Remember to bring your loose change to the church building. We have put out a container in the church and are asking for you to donate your loose change. We have labeled the container "Looking for Change" and will leave it out for 4 to 6 weeks. All the money collected will be used to support either PATH or the East Texas Food Bank

We figure we can do a couple of important things with this.

First, we will put some change back in circulation. We keep reading reports that the government is short of coins and needs to put some back into use, We will help with this.

Second, we will help to feed people. As our nation and area continue to struggle with unemployment, we at the church will continue to help. All proceeds will be given to those in need. We are asking for change, but if you drop in a bill or two we will use that also!

So, we are literally "Looking for Change". Please bring and drop off your coins at the church. And thank you, we are off to a tremendous start!

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!

Worship Help at Indoor Service

We would like to have more people to help with ushering and reading at the indoor service on Sunday mornings. If you would like to help, please call Debbie in the church office or Pastor Mark.

Start for Sunday School

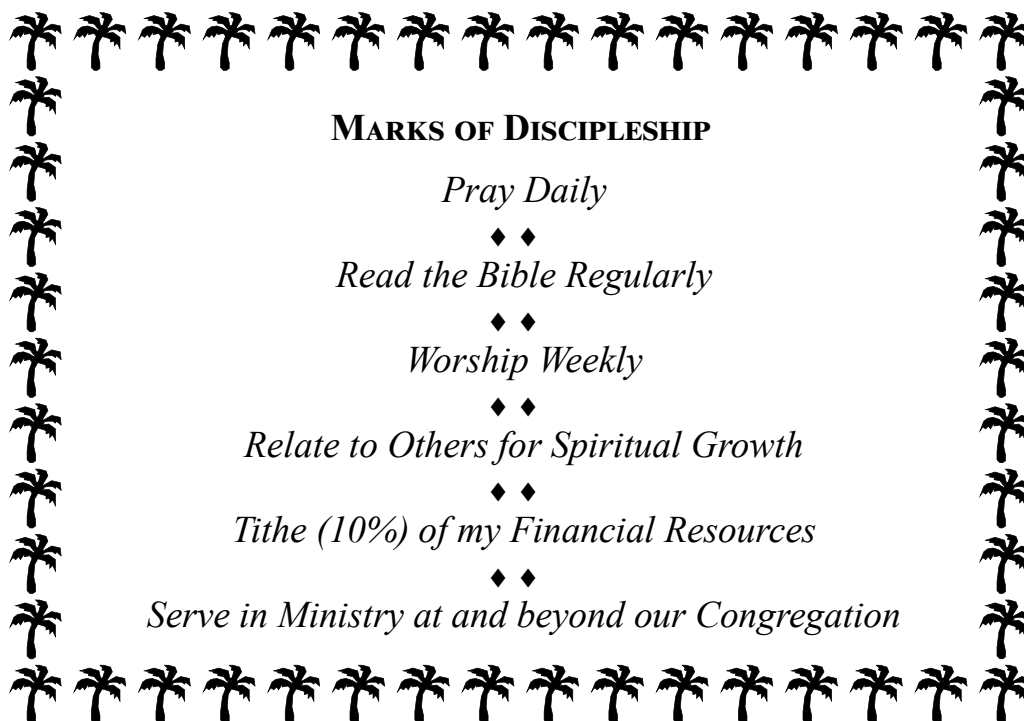
Just a reminder, we have tentatively set the first Sunday in October as the day to resume Sunday School. Let's keep all of this in our prayers as we seek to resume this vital ministry!

Planning for Sunday School

We are doing our organizing for Sunday School. Our plans to begin Sunday School on Sunday, October 4.

If you would like to help with teaching and leading Sunday School, please talk with Carmen Nazario or Pastor Mark.

*If you have child who is age 3 or 4, would you leave let Carmen or Pastor Mark know. We are putting together a list who is in the class.



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

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (SEPTEMBER 6 – SEPTEMBER 13, 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—Sept. 6, 2020

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

THURSDAY

Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

MONDAY

Labor Day Holiday

FRIDAY

No Activities Scheduled

TUESDAY

Quilters 9:00 a.m.

SATURDAY

Coptic Service 8 am—1 pm

WEDNESDAY

No Activities Scheduled

SUNDAY—Sept. 13, 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 Aug. Offering	\$ 17,686	Attendance August 30, 2020:	
Offering August 30, 2020	<u>1,420</u>	9:00 a.m. Service—	31
Total August Offering	<u>\$ 19,106</u>	10:15 a.m. Service—	44
2020 Congregational Offering Year To Date	<u>\$ 174,530</u>	Worship Average Since Returning on May 31, 2020	76