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

<u>Our Interim Pastor</u>

Rev. Wally Seibel

Parish Administrator

Amanda Taylor

Organist/Keyboardist

Jaeyong Lee

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.

June 27, 2021 Worship Service 10:00 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.

LEADERS FOR WORSHIP

Lay Coordinator: Bill Videtto

Ushers: Bill Videtto and Max Lewis

Reader: Rachael Gibbs
Communion Assistants: Jan Moch
Projectionist: Toby Fite

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUNE 27, 2021 ~ WELCOME!

It is a pleasure to worship together. If you are a newcomer, if you have a prayer request, or both, please fill out the yellow pew card on the back of each pew.

PRELUDE ~ DR. JAEYONG LEE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

OPENING HYMN ~ ANCIENT WORDS

Holy words, long preserved For our walk in this world. They resound with God's own heart; O let the ancient words impart.

Words of life, words of hope, Give us strength, help us cope. In this world where'er we roam Ancient words will guide us home.

Chorus:

Ancient words ever true, Changing me, changing you. We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith
Handed down to this age,
Came to us through sacrifice,
O, heed the faithful words of Christ.
Chorus x 2

We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart... O, let the ancient words impart.

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- 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 personal reflection.)

- 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 only Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. In the name of Jesus, 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.

THE 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

- 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 ~ IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest
drought and storm.
What heights of love,
what depths of peace;
When fears are stilled,
when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All-in-all;
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious Day, Up from the grave He rose again.
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand. 'Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, you are the author and giver of all good things. Graft into our hearts a love of your name. Increase in us true faith, nourish us with what is good, and watch over all who are in your care. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please sit

FIRST READING: LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23

²²The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. ²⁷It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. ²⁸Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; ²⁹let him put his mouth in the dust — there may yet be hope; ³⁰let

him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not cast off forever, ³²but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not afflict from his heart or grieve the children of men.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30

- ¹¹ I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.
- You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favor for a lifetime.
- Weeping may spend the night,

but joy comes in the morning.

- While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.
 - You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
- Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
- ⁹ I cried to you, O Lord;
- I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me;

O Lord, be my helper."

- You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sack cloth and clothed me with joy.
- Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;

O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever.

SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-9, 13-15

¹We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ²for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, ⁴begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints — ⁵and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷But as you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you — see that you excel in this act of grace also. ⁸I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

¹³For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. ¹⁵As it is written, "Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me,
This I know
'for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong
They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me... The Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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: MARK 5:21-43

P: The Gospel according to St. Mark, the 5th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Please look up the Gospel reading in your Bible.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn Before the Sermon ~ Blessed Assurance ~ WOV 699, vs 1-2

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:

this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

<u>Please Sit</u>

SERMON ~ RICKY RICHARDS

<u>Please Stand</u>

Hymn After the Sermon ~ Blessed Assurance ~ WOV 699, vs 1 & 3

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:

this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Refrain

THE 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

P: Because we have access to God through faith in Christ Jesus, let us pray with boldness and confidence for the church, the world, and all people in need.

After each petition of the prayer, the leader will say "Lord in your mercy" The congregation will respond, "hear our prayer."

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION ~ P. 94 LBW

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 HYMN ~ 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.

Chorus:

I'll fly away, O glory; I'll fly away. When I die, hallelujah, by and by, 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

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: The Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus' name.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Biography

Ricky V. Richards, P.E., Captain, US Navy (RET)

Ricky Richards is a native of Clifton, Texas. In May 1982, he obtained his BS degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin and received his commission as an officer in the US Navy, Civil Engineer Corps. He served on active duty through 1991, then continued serving in the Navy Reserve and retired on October 1, 2009, with the rank of Captain (06) and almost 27 years of active and reserve service. During this time, he was responsible for numerous operations in N. America, Europe, Asia, Australia, and Africa. CAPT Richards was recalled to active duty in February 2008 for service in Operation Iraqi Freedom where he commanded 600 – 800 US Navy Seabees operating in Iraq, Afghanistan, and throughout the Persian Gulf region.

Ricky is a licensed professional engineer in the State of Texas. He currently owns Norseman Engineering, a consulting firm specializing in forensic engineering analysis that is based in Clifton. He is a recognized courtroom expert in forensic analysis of light structures, concrete, and foundations. In addition to his engineering career, Ricky and his wife owned and operated a small cattle ranch near Clifton until late 2019 when they sold the ranch, and he retired from ranching.

Ricky and his wife Connie are both lifelong Lutherans. They are founding members of Peace Lutheran Church in Clifton which formed in 2011. He served as President of the congregation until the spring of 2020. In late 2018, Ricky received a calling from the Lord to serve Him in the ministry. He was accepted into the NALC pastoral candidacy process in 2019, and he is currently studying for a Master of Divinity Degree at the

North American Lutheran Seminary via online studies with the Trinity School of Ministry in Ambridge, PA. Ricky continues to serve Peace

Lutheran in the role of Lay Leader where he leads worship services at approximately half of the Sundays. Connie serves the congregation as the organist.

Ricky and his wife, Connie, have 5 children. Travis, Kelly, Russell, Alison, and Kate Lynn. They are also blessed with 6 grandchildren, Emery, Norman, Judd, Grace, Collins, and Lily.

BIBLE CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

One of our best youth ministries is sending youth to Bible Camp. It is an incredible and faith-growing experience. We have a scholarship fund to help youth who can't afford to attend camp. We don't want anyone to miss camp because of finances. If you would like to donate to this fund and help some youth attend camp, please write a check to the church and mark it for the "Bible Camp Scholarship Fund." Thank you.

MASKS

We are following the CDC guidelines which mean wearing a mask is a personal decision for those who are fully vaccinated.

Call Committee Update

Now hear this! On July 25, we will have a pastoral candidate leading our service. After the service, we will have a covered dish luncheon to meet the candidate and his wife. Please plan on attending this very important service. We will have a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, August 1st to discuss the candidate and to vote on extending a call.

A Blast From the Past

A quilt was found in the garage in 2019. It was made by the participants in VBS 1994! It is hanging up in the narthex. Take a look and see how many names you can recognize.

Coming Soon

On Sunday, July 25th OSLC will take one more step towards normalcy: The return of our beloved potlucks! In conjunction with the visit by our Call Pastor, we will have a potluck dinner following worship. So dust-off those serving dishes and plan on joining us.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (JUNE 27, 2021)

IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865

SUNDAY—June 27, 2021

Choir

9:15 a.m. Worship Service

THURSDAY

CODA 6:30 p.m.

10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY

ACA 6:00 p.m.

MONDAY No Activities Scheduled

SATURDAY

Altar Guild #1 9:00 a.m.

TUESDAY 9:00 a.m. Quilters

Sunday School Party 11:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

No Activities Scheduled

SUNDAY—July 4, 2021

9:15 a.m. Choir 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP	
Prior June Donations	\$12,915
Sunday, June 20 Donations Other Weekly Donations Monthly Total to Date	\$1,135 \$1,365 \$15,415
Monthly Budget	\$21,000
Total 2021 Contribution	\$118,844