Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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Bringing Christ to the people and the people to Christ.

We are a community of faith, formed in the grace and joy of Jesus Christ.

We are a people involved in God's sure and unfolding promise to mend His creation through the life, death and resurrection of His Son, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are a church under the cross of Christ, shaped by the ancient rhythms of Christian worship, fellowship, and service to others.

Come share the joy!

Our Pastor

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (A) OCTOBER 8, 2023 • 10:00 A.M.



Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith; God does not expect us to make the journey alone. Pastor Martin Moore: 979-551-6222 • martinmoore55@gmail.com
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Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

Please use this time for silent meditation to prepare your heart for worship

Welcome to Our Saviour's

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you
 are a gift from God to us. Guests, so that we may all celebrate your presence and give
 thanks to God for you, please fill out the yellow card on the back of your pew and
 place it in the offering plate later in the service.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"GOD HIMSELF IS PRESENT" (LBW #249) V. 1&2

God Himself is present; Let us now adore Him And with awe appear before Him! God is in His temple; All within keep silence; Prostrate lie with deepest rev'rence. Him alone God we own, Him, our God and Savior;

Praise His Name forever!

God himself is present;
Hear the harps resounding;
See the hosts the throne surrounding.
"Holy, Holy, Holy!"
Hear the hymn ascending,
Songs of saints and angels blending.
Bow Your ear to us here:
Hear, O Christ, the praises
That Your Church now raises.

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

As the Pastor says the Invocation, the Sign of the Cross № may be made in remembrance of our baptisms.

- P In the name of the Father, and of the ♥ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. CAmen
- ^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. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of 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

- 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.**
- ^AHelp, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. ^C **Amen**

Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
- P "O God, you once delivered your people Israel from bondage under Pharaoh and led them in safety through the Red Sea, thereby giving us a picture of our Baptism. Grant that we may ever be faithful to your baptismal promise, live in its grace, and show forth to all people your desire that all should be made the children of Abraham; through Jesus Christ, our Lord." (*Prayer for Easter Vigil*)

^C Amen

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ EXODUS 15:1-13

R This is the Word of the Lord! C Thanks be to God!

PSALM 136:1, 3-4, 10-15, 26

- ¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.
- ³ Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ⁴ to him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever:
- ¹⁰ to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, **for his steadfast love endures forever**;
- ¹¹ and brought Israel out from among them, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹² with a strong hand and an outstretched arm, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹³ to him who divided the Red Sea in two, **for his steadfast love endures forever**;
- ¹⁴ and made Israel pass through the midst of it, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ¹⁵ but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- ²⁶ Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Second Reading ~ 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 14-17

RThis is the Word of the Lord! C Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ "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.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

^PThe Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28th Chapter.

^C Glory to you, O Lord.

MATTHEW 28:16-20

P The Gospel of the Lord.

^C Praise be to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

The Font Is Our Red Sea! Sermon for the Sacrament of Baptism: Hudson Reid Hope

Hymn Of The Day ~ "El Shaddai"

Chorus:

El Shaddai, El Shaddai, El, El-yon-na Adonai, Age to age You're still the same, By the power of the name. El Shaddai, El Shaddai, Er-Kam Kana Adonai, We will praise and lift You high, El Shaddai.

Through Your love and through the ram, You saved the son of Abraham, Through the power of Your hand You turned the sea into dry land. To the outcast on her knees You were the God who really sees, And by Your might You set Your children free *Chorus*

Through the years You made it clear
That the time of Christ was near,
Though the people could not see
What Messiah ought to be
Though Your Word contained the plan
They just could not understand
Your most awesome work was done
In the frailty of Your Son.
Chorus

The Sacrament of Baptism for Hudson Reid Hope



Pastor: We have gathered as God's community around the waters of new life. The word of God comes to us through the Apostle Paul: "But when the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life" (Titus 3:5-7). In Holy Baptism our Heavenly Father liberates us from sin, death and the devil by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We were born children of a fallen humanity, in the waters of Baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit, we are made members of the Church which is the body of Christ. As we live with Him and with His people, we grow in faith, love and obedience to the will of God.

Pastor: Who is being presented for Holy Baptism?

Barry & Sheilena Rosamond: We present Hudson Reid Hope to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Pastor: From ancient times, the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors to stand with baptismal candidates as they receive the Sacrament, and in their continuing life of faith. Barry & Sheilena, this is a significant commitment, calling you to reflect the love of Christ in his life. Do you promise to nurture him in the Christian faith and help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: We do with God's help.

John & Taryn, as Christian parents you are entrusted with responsibilities toward your child, including worshipping as a family at the services of God's house and teaching him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. You should prepare him to receive Holy Communion and to live out his faith as a fruitful disciple of Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these holy obligations?

Parents: We do with God's help.

Pastor: Do you renounce the principalities and powers of this evil world—the devil, and all his empty promises?

Hudson, Parents and Sponsors: We do by God's grace.

Church Family and Friends Stand Together

Pastor: I ask each of you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize, the faith reflected in the ancient words of the Creed.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Church Family and Friends May Be Seated

The Baptism

Pastor: Hudson, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, prefiguring this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood, and a lavish washing away of sin. We pray that You would behold Hudson according to Your boundless mercy and bless him with true faith by the Holy Spirit that through this saving flood all sin in him which has been inherited from Adam and which he himself has committed since would be drowned and die. Grant that he be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, he would be declared worthy of eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Hudson, Parents and Sponsors: Amen

Pastor: Hudson, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. Amen

Sponsors Light Baptismal Candle from the Paschal Candle

Pastor: As a Congregation, we give you this candle as a sign of our partnership with you in the ministry of Jesus Christ who is the light of the world. We encourage you to light this candle each year on the anniversary of this baptism as a reminder that we are to let the light of Christ shine brightly in us always.

Representative of Our Saviour's: Hudson, we welcome you into the Lord's family; we receive you as a fellow member of the Body of Christ and worker with us in the Kingdom of God. We are the collective voice of God saying: You are our child, whom we love; with you we are well pleased, and with you we will journey through life together, brothers and sisters in Christ. We welcome you as a fellow sojourner as we live out God's calling for our lives together.

${\it Church Family and Friends please stand}$

All: Gracious God, you make light to shine in the darkness, by your power you give new life for all eternity. Walk with us as we reach out to Hudson and celebrate with him how, on this day, Water and Word touched his spirit and gave him new life. Amen

Pastor: It is with great joy that we welcome our newest child in Christ, Hudson Hope!

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

^p Confident in God's steadfast love through Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers the congregation responds... 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**

Please be seated

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please stand for the Offering and the Communion

Post Offertory Hymn ~ "I Offer My Life"

All that I am, all that I have I lay them down before You, O Lord;

All of my hopes, all of my plans, my heart and my hands are lifted to You.

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.

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

POST OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- ^C We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Holy Meal

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

PThe peace of the Lord be with you always. C **And also with you.**

We come to the table at the gracious invitation of the Lord, receiving the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Adults and children not receiving communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Please remain standing

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 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.
- PIt is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of ever-lasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

^C 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

- ^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.*
- P 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.*
- 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 \sim (*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.

Please be seated

Distribution & Communion Hymns

"THE HEART OF WORSHIP

When the music fades,
All is stripped away,
And I simply come;
Longing just to bring
Something that's of worth
That will bless your heart.
I'll bring you more than a song,
For a song in itself
Is not what You have required.
You search much deeper within
Though the way things appear;
You're looking into my heart.

Chorus:

I'm coming back to the heart of worship, And it's all about You, All about You, Jesus. I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it,
When it's all about You,
All about You, Jesus.

King of endless worth,

No one could express
How much You deserve.
Though I'm weak and poor,
All I have is Your,
Ev'ry single breath..
I'll bring you more than a song,
For a song in itself
Is not what You have required.
You search much deeper within
Though the way things appear;
You're looking into my heart.
Chorus

"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE"

Chorus:

I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die I am God's love revealed I am broken that you might be healed

All who eat of this heavenly Bread All who drink this cup of the covenant You will live forever For I will raise you up

No one who comes to Me shall ever hunger again No one who believes shall ever thirst All that the Father draws shall come to Me

And I will give them rest

"IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME"

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.

Please stand

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

PLet 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 in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. C Amen

BENEDICTION \sim (*P.* 95, *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. CAmen

CLOSING HYMN ~ "ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS" (LBW #509) Vs 1&4

Onward, Christian soldiers, With the cross of Jesus Marching as to war, Going on before.

With the cross of Jesus Onward, Christian soldiers,

Going on before.

Christ, the royal Master

Marching as to war,

Christ, the royal Master,
Leads against the foe;
With the cross of Jesus
Coing on before

Forward into battle, Going on before.

See, His banners go! Christ, the royal Master,

Leads against the foe;

Chorus:

Leads against the foe;

Forward into battle,

Onward, Christian soldiers, See, His banners go!

Marching as to war, Chorus

DISMISSAL

PThe Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus' name. C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PrimeTimers Luncheon

Join us for lunch on Friday, October 13 at 12:00 pm for a potluck that will serve as an Vorspeise (appetizer) for our Oktoberfest set. Please bring your favorite German dish to share (or just a family favorite). We will have the opportunity to share our recipes with others and learn more about Germany and its rich culinary traditions.

OSLC Oktoberfest

Oktoberfest is Oct. 21st starting at 4:00 pm. We are taking donations for soda, water, and beer. Please sign up in the Narthex to help make this fun for all. Lori Sartor will hold polka dance lessons on Oct. 9th & 16th from 6:30 pm to 7:30ish, in the Narthex. We will be learning 10 step polka, picnic polka, and little polka.

Quilt Raffle

The Quilt Raffle returns to Oktoberfest! Chances to win "The Windows of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church" will be available for \$1 or \$5 for six chances. Tickets

will be sold on Sundays, October 8th and 15th, as well as the night of Oktoberfest, with the winning ticket drawn that night. You do not need to be present to win, but we would love it if you were!

The raffle of this lap-sized quilt, along with the sale of other handmade items, are a fundraiser for our Quilters!

Sheila Jurena Memorial

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 this Saturday morning at Elmira Chapel Cemetery located at 3501 Elmira Drive, Longview, TX 75603.

Special Congregational Meeting

We will be meeting on November 5, 2023, following Sunday's Church Service. The Church Council has reviewed OSLC Constitution and Bylaws and are recommending changes designed to clean up formatting and other issues such as consistent references to the "Church" Council vs. "Congregation" Council, clarifies that only the congregation can make decisions involving "real" property and the Church Council can make decisions involving "personal" property, places responsibility on the Pastor to determine new membership qualifications and reporting same to the Church Council (currently he must obtain Council approval prior to acceptance causing delays in membership), allowing meeting notice to include email (while continuing to allow regular mail notice by those requesting it), clarifies that the Church Council selects OSLC voting representative(s) at National Convocation, clarifies that the Church Council consists of the pastor, officers, and 5 to 7 other members of the congregation, and extending by one month the time allowed by the Audit Committee to report their audit results to the Church Council. The proposed changes are posted in the Narthex.

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeters: Tom & Joyce Lewis

Acolyte: Penelope & Annabelle Davis

Ushers: Ed & Connie Lucas

Cantor: Blaine Davis Reader: Travis Snyder

Communion Assistants: Blaine & Karin Davis, Jan Moch

Projectionist: Toby Fite

Upcoming Events at OSLC (October 9th-15th)

Monday: Polka Lessons 6:30 p.m. Tuesday: Quilters 9:00 a.m.

Spin Class 6:30 p.m.

Embroiderer's Guild Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. Thursday: Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m. CODA

Prime Timers Friday: 12:00 p.m.

Saturday: Altar Guild Team #2

Sheila Jurena Memorial (Longview) 10:30 a.m.

Sunday: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

> Youth Class 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice 9:15 a.m.

> Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Stewardship

Average Monthly Expenses: \$ 25,245 Total September Offerings: \$ 21,815 Offerings on October 1st: 2,151 Total Offerings to Date: \$225,257

October 1, 2023

Attendance Last Week 101

2023 Average Attendance 106