

# OUR SAVIOUR'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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!

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (YEAR C)
SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 • 10:00 A.M.



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# Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith;

God does not expect us to make the journey alone.

Our Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

You may 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, please fill out the yellow Guest Connect Card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- If you have any prayer requests, needs, or concerns, please complete the blue card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.
- As no ordained pastor is present today, our worship will include distribution
  of those elements set apart earlier by Rev. Jeff Carpenter. In this sense, the
  Lord's Body and Blood offered today is an extension of the celebration of the
  Sacrament of the Altar at that time.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ "SOFTLY AND TENDERLY JESUS IS CALLING" (WOV #734)

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, Calling for you and for me. See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, Watching for you and for me.

Refrain
"Come home, come home!
You who are weary, come home."
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
Calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, Pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, Mercies for you and for me? Refrain

Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised, Promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, Pardon for you and for me. Refrain

#### 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. 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
- <sup>p</sup> 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,
- <sup>C</sup> 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.

<sup>C</sup> Amen

# APOSTOLIC GREETING GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- <sup>C</sup> And also with you.

#### **K**YRIE

- A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. CLord, have mercy.
- <sup>A</sup> For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- <sup>C</sup> 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.
- <sup>A</sup> For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. <sup>C</sup> **Lord, have mercy.**
- <sup>A</sup> Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. <sup>C</sup> **Amen**

# HYMN OF PRAISE "GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST" (LBW P. 81)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take away the sin of the world;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen

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

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

"See Insert"

have mercy on us.

<sup>C</sup> Amen

Please be seated

#### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

# FIRST READING ~ EZEKIEL 34:11-24

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

**PSALMODY** ~ PSALM 119:169-176 (CHANTED)

"See Insert"

**SECOND READING** ~ I TIMOTHY 1:[5-11] 12-17

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

# CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "THIS IS THE DAY"

This is the day, This is the day

This is the day That the Lord has made.

That the Lord has made We will rejoice

That the Lord has made. And be glad in it.

We will rejoice, This is the day,

We will rejoice This is the day

And be glad in it, That the Lord has made.

And be glad in it.

#### FEEDING OUR LITTLE LAMBS

Please stand

Gospel Canticle ~ "Alleluia, Lord" ~ (*P. 83 LBW*) Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 15th Chapter. C Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 15:1-10

P The Gospel of the Lord. <sup>C</sup> Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

#### SERMON ~ BLAINE DAVIS

REJOICE WITH ME!

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ "CHIEF OF SINNERS THOUGH I BE" VSS 1-3, 5 (LBW #306)

Chief of sinners though I be, Only Jesus can impart Jesus shed His blood for me, Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die. Faith and hope to walk with God As the branch is to the vine. I am his, and he is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love! Higher than the heav'ns above, Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity. Love that found me - wondrous thought Found me when I sought him not.

Balm to heal the wounded heart, Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n, Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,

In the way that Enoch trod.

O my Savior, help afford By your Spirit and your Word!

When my wayward heart would stray,

Keep me in the narrow way; Grace in time of need supply When I live and when I die.

# 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 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:

<sup>C</sup> Hear our prayer. P Lord, in your mercy,

The prayers conclude:

<sup>P</sup> Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. <sup>C</sup> Amen

Please be seated

#### OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please stand

THE DOXOLOGY~ "I OFFER MY LIFE"

All that I am, all that I have

I lay down before You, O Lord;

All of my hopes, all of my plans,

My heart and my hands are lifted to You 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.

What can we give that You

have not given;

And what do we have that is not already

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,

<sup>C</sup> We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our vocations, our time, our possessions – signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please remain standing

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C **And also with you.**At this time, we invite you to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbors

# THE HOLY MEAL

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 LBW

P The Lord be with you.

<sup>C</sup> And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

<sup>C</sup> 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 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 day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### **SANCTUS**

<sup>C</sup> 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.

# **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

- P Whenever we gather for the celebration of Holy Communion, we hear again the wonderful story of God's mighty acts, and of the love shown to us in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. With thanksgiving, we remember that 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.
- <sup>P</sup> For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death, until he comes.
- <sup>C</sup> Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- <sup>P</sup> 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.
- <sup>C</sup> Amen. Come, Lord Jesus
- <sup>P</sup> 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.

# <sup>C</sup> Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- <sup>p</sup> We are given assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of His Holy Spirit. Now, we receive this same bread of life and this same cup of blessing, that we may be strengthened through these gifts.
- P Let us pray: Almighty Father, whose dear Son instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. C Amen
- <sup>P</sup> Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
- <sup>C</sup> 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.

Please be seated

# **DISTRIBUTION & COMMUNION HYMNS**

"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 *Chorus*  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

Chorus

# "ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME" (LBW #327)

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee; Let the water and the blood, From thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure; Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and thou alone. Nothing in my hand I bring; Simply to thy cross I cling. Naked, come to thee for dress; Helpless, look to thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyelids close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, See thee on thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee.

# "HERE IS BREAD HERE IS WINE"

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us. Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us here.

Refrain

In this bread, there is healing, in this cup is life forever. In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us. Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Jesus here. *Refrain* 

Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us. We'll proclaim till he comes Jesus crucified. *Refrain* 

Please stand

#### COMMUNION BLESSING

<sup>P</sup> The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. <sup>C</sup> **Amen** 

# POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD" VER. 3 LBW 534

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

<sup>P</sup> Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### <sup>C</sup> Amen

#### **BENEDICTION** $\sim$ LBW *P.* 95

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 ~ "THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY" VSS 1, 2, 4 (LBW #290)

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in his justice Which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heav'n. There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment giv'n.

There is welcome for the sinner, And a promised grace made good; There is mercy with the Savior; There is healing in his blood. There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this; There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss.

'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;
It is something more than all:
Greater good because of evil,
Larger mercy through the fall.
If our love were but more simple,
We should take him at his word;
And our lives would be all sunshine
In the sweetness of our Lord.

P Go in Peace, serve the Lord

DISMISSAL

C Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today: Sunday School Rally Day** 5:00 PM Swim Party and Hot Dog Supper at the Nazario home. See Carmen for more information

**Polka Lessons Wednesday Nights 7:00 PM**—Lori Sartor will teaching Polka lessons to prepare for Oktoberfest. All are welcome: Women, Men & Children

**Thursday, September 18th**—Prime Timers 11:30 AM Potluck & Trivia

# **Our Worship Servants This Morning:**

Greeter: Tom & Joyce Lewis

Acolyte: Charles & Caedmon Cumming

Ushers: Sally & Cliff Dengerud

Reader: Peggy Jones

Communion Assistants: Sarah Cumming, Becky Chambers, Heather Watkins

AV Booth: Carlie Dimitriadis & Colten Watkins

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES SEPTEMBER 15-21		
Monday	Men's Group	8:00 PM
Tuesday	Quilters & Needlepoint	9:00 AM
Thursday	Bible Study	10:00 AM
	CoDA	6:00 PM
Friday	Classical Conversations	9:00-3:00
Saturday	Altar Guild	
Sunday	Sunday School	9:00 AM
_	Choir	9:00 AM
	Bible Study	9:00 AM
	Worship Service	10:00 AM
	Confirmation	4:00 PM

# **Attendance**

Sunday, September 7, 2025: 90

2025 Average: 85

# Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings: \$ 6,830 Total for the month of Aug. \$ 20,998 2025 Total Offerings to Date: \$ 194,416

#### PRAYER LIST

# Our Members:

Limuel Norris, Linda Eck, Toby Fite, Kirk Capo, Jim & Janet Anthony, Glory Gopinath & her family, Ed Lucas, Mary Ferguson, Sam Hough, Amber Tizcareno, Jeanine Franklin, Carol Barner, Gloria Guilfoyle, Tom & Mary Criswell, Kathleen Grant, Phyllis Guysinger, Margo Williams, Larry & Joanne Hill, Sarah Lyles, Diane Polley, Curt & Joyce Peterson

# Family & Friends:

Paul & Grace Long, Family of John Minster, Jennifer Hendrick, Erin Gilland, Family of Ellie Sadek, Family of Joan Schneider, Mark Malloy, Nick Lopez, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Blake Madewell, Joanna Garett, Richard Grinnell

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<sup>&</sup>quot;Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" LBW 327 Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740-1778 Tune: Thomas Hastings, 1784-1872

<sup>&</sup>quot;Here is Bread Here is Wine" CCLI # 981717 Writer: Graham Kendrick © 1991 Make Way Music

<sup>&</sup>quot;Now Thank We All Our God" LBW 534 Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878 Tune: Johann Cruger, 1598-1662

<sup>&</sup>quot;There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" LBW 290 Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863 Tune: early American "Liturgy: LBW, © 1978, Augsburg Fortress; and/or With One Voice, © 1995, Augsburg Fortress License #SBL10722L, CCLI #1757129, CSPL073328, & Reprinted/Podcast/streamed with permission under One License A-743210.