



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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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 AM until 2:00 PM
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PRELUDE - Dr. Jaeyong Daniel Lee

You may use this time for silent meditation to prepare your heart for worship

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. Guests, please sign the attendance roster.
- 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *See Insert*

Please stand (in body or in spirit) Face the Cross as it Enters

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER" *Blue Hymnal #690, v 1-3*

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

Chorus:

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.

Chorus

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

Chorus

INVOCATION

P: We gather in this sanctuary, and we worship, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

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: 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 declare to you the Good News, "Your sins are forgiven," in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The Grace of our LORD Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE *Green Hymnal p. 78*

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" *Green Hymnal p. 81-82*

*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

A: The LORD be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: Almighty God, Your mercy endures forever, revealed through Your Son's life, death, and resurrection. With faithful followers of all generations, make us boldly declare Jesus as Lord and proclaim His redeeming and reconciling work to all people; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

C: Amen

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

FIRST READING ~ ISAIAH 51:1-6

L: The first reading comes from the prophet Isaiah, the 51st chapter.

See Insert

L: This is the Word of the LORD! **C: Thanks be to God!**

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 138 CHANTED

See Insert

SECOND READING ~ ROMANS 11:33-12:8

L: The second reading comes from the book of Romans, the 11th and 12th chapters.

See Insert

L: This 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

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 16th Chapter.

C: Glory to You, O LORD.

MATTHEW 16:13-20

P: This is the Gospel of the LORD. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "RISE AND SHINE"

Rise and shine
And give God the glory, glory
Rise and shine
And give God the glory, glory

Rise and shine
And give God the glory, glory
Children of the Lord

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE ~ PASTOR JEFFERY CARPENTER

Please stand as Able

HYMN OF THE DAY "MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE" *Green Hymnal #479*

My faith looks up to thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
Oh, let me from this day
Be wholly thine!

May thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart,
My zeal inspire;
As thou hast died for me,
Oh, may my love to thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread
And griefs around me spread,
Be thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll;
Blest Savior, then, in love
Fear and distrust remove;
Oh, bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul!

APOSTLES' CREED

A: Let us declare our faith using the words of the Apostle's 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 to the dead.

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 GOD'S PEOPLE

A: Gracious heavenly Father, bring healing to the wounded places of our lives. With that healing, bless us with the ability to both forgive and to be forgiven. Set us free from fears and scars and disappointments and use us to bring the Good News of forgiveness and life to all who are in need. LORD, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: LORD, we invite You to be the LORD of this household of faith. Unite us around Your mission to both know You and make You known. Bless and prosper the ministries You place within our care. Let Your Holy Spirit work within each person of this congregation, and our friends, so that we become the Church You want Our Saviour's Church to be. LORD, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Father, we pray for the leaders of our nation and for the leaders of all nations. Surround them with Christlike advisors. Remove or reform the voices of evil. Direct the leaders of governments, militaries, corporations, schools, and households so that they accomplish Your Holy Will. LORD in Your mercy...

C: Hear our prayer.

A: LORD Jesus Christ, we thank You for those we know and love who are celebrating birthdays this week. Please continue to guide and bless them. We thank You for the love between husbands and wives and that You continue to bless those who are celebrating wedding anniversaries this week. We thank You for all of the loved ones You have placed into our lives and the beautiful memories that live on within us. We ask that You sustain the faith of those who mourn the beauty of days gone by and who mourn the absence of loved ones. You promise to always be with us. We ask that You make Your presence known to those we know and love who are in need of You. We ask that You touch the lives of those we know and love who are in need of healing, courage, and peace, especially those we name softly before You now. . .

LORD, in Your Mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Father, help Your Church be a beautiful reflection of You and Your Kingdom. Empower us to pray with persistence, follow in obedience, live in Holiness and trust in You completely. Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all that we pray. In the name of Your Son, Jesus, our LORD, we pray.

C: Amen.

THE SHARING 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
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.

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

A: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us – ourselves, 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 GREAT THANKSGIVING *Green Hymnal p. 88*

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 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:

SANCTUS

C: 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: 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: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is 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

Please be seated

LAMB OF GOD *Green Hymnal p. 92*

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.

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COMMUNION HYMNS

“WONDERFUL MERCIFUL SAVIOR”

Wonderful merciful Savior
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a
Lamb could
Rescue the souls of men
Oh You rescue the souls of men

Chorus

You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace our
Hearts always hunger for
Oh our hearts always hunger for

Counselor Comforter Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way
Chorus

Almighty infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh we're falling before Your throne
Chorus

“ON EAGLE’S WINGS” *Blue Hymnal #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!”

Refrain

“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. *Refrain*

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.
Refrain

"BREAK NOW THE BREAD OF LIFE" *Green Hymnal* #235

Break now the bread of life,
dear Lord, to me,
as once you broke the loaves
beside the sea.

Beyond the sacred page
I seek you, Lord;
my spirit waits for you,
O living Word.

Bless your own truth, dear Lord,
to me, to me,
as when you blest the bread
by Galilee.

Then shall all bondage cease,
all fetters fall;
and I shall find my peace,
my All-in-All!

You are the bread of life,
O Lord, to me,
your holy word the truth
that rescues me.
Give me to eat and live
with you above;
teach me to love your truth,
for you are love.

Oh, send your Spirit, Lord,
now unto me,
that he may touch my eyes
and make me see.
Show me the truth concealed
within your word,
and in your book revealed
I see my Lord.

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.

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: We give You thanks, Almighty God, that You refreshed us through the healing power of the 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. Amen

BENEDICTION *Green Hymnal 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 "O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU" *Green Hymnal #492, v 1,2,4*

O Master, let me walk with you
In lowly paths of service true;
Tell me your secret; help me bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broad'ning
way,
In peace that only you can give;
With you, O Master, let me live.

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward
way.

DISMISSAL & POSTLUDE

A: Go, live as disciples of Christ Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God. And we will!

OUR WORSHIP SERVANTS THIS MORNING:

Greeters:	Gloria Bielfeldt and Carol Avent
Acolytes:	Annabelle and Penelope Davis
Ushers:	Preston Graham and Todd Nazario
Reader:	Heather Watkins
Assistant:	Colten Watkins
Communion Assistants:	Colten Watkins, Jennifer Videtto, Jana Coke
AV Booth:	Linda Webster and

Attendance

Sunday, August 16: 140
2026 Average Attendance: 124

Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings	\$ 6,085
Month of August	\$ 24,729
Monthly Goal	\$ 29,677
2026 Total Offerings to Date	\$ 289,263

Upcoming Activities August 24-30

Mon.		Fri.	
MDO	8-3	Classical Conversations	9-3
Mahjong	10:00 AM	Parent's Night Out	6-8
Men's Group	8:00 PM	Sat.	
Tues.		Altar Guild	
Quilters	9:00 AM	Kern group	9:00 AM
Videtto Zoom	4:00 PM	Sun.	
Wed		Welcome New Members	
MDO	8-3	Choir	9:00 AM
Capo group	11:00 AM	Worship	10:00 AM
Pastor group	6:30 PM	5 th Sunday Potluck	11:30 AM
Thurs.		Confirmation	4:00 PM
Bible Study	10:00 AM		
"The Story"	4:00 PM		
Watkins group	6:00 PM		
CoDA	6:00 PM		

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