

# 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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ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (YEAR C)
AUGUST 24, 2025 • 10:00 A.M.



"People will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God."

Luke 13:29

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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.

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him."

Psalm 96:9

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~

"SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER" VSS 1-3 (WOV #690)

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

#### 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

## **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.

C: And also with you.

#### **KYRIE**

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.** 

## HYMN OF PRAISE "THIS IS THE FEAST" (LBW 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

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

"See Insert" C: Amen

Please be seated

## The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ ISAIAH 66:18-23

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

**PSALMODY** ~ PSALM 50:1-15 (CHANTED)

"See Insert"

**SECOND READING** ~ HEBREWS 12:4-24 [25-29]

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

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "RISE AND SHINE"

Rise and shine Rise and shine

And give God the glory, glory

And give God the glory, glory

Rise and shine Children of the Lord

And give God the glory, glory

# **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 13th Chapter. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

LUKE 13:22-30

Please be seated

**SERMON** ~ REV. JEFF CARPENTER

STRIVE FOR JESUS

#### PLEASE STAND

# **Hymn Of The Day** ~ "MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE" (LBW #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

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:

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.** 

The prayers conclude:

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 & OFFERTORY MUSIC**

Please stand

# **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

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: 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

#### THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

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. 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 and join their unending hymn:

#### 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

#### 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:**

"OUR FATHER, BY WHOSE NAME" (LBW #357)

Our Father, by whose name
All parenthood is known:
In love divine you claim
Each fam'ly as your own,
Bless mothers, fathers, guarding well,
With constant love as sentinel,
The homes in which thy people dwell.

O Holy Spirit, bind Our hearts in unity, And teach us how to find The love from self set free; In all our hearts such love increase, That ev'ry home, by this release, May be the dwelling place of peace.

O Christ, yourself a child Within an earthly home, With heart still undefiled To full adulthood come: Our children bless in ev'ry place That they may all behold your face And, knowing you, may grow in grace.

## "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

"I LOVE YOU, LORD"

I love you, Lord,
And I lift my voice
To worship You,
O my soul, rejoice!
Take joy, my King,
In what you hear;
May it be a sweet, sweet sound
In Your ear.

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

P: 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.

C: Amen

#### **BENEDICTION** ~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.

C: Amen

#### CLOSING HYMN ~

"HE LEADETH ME: OH, BLESSED THOUGHT!" (LBW #501)

He leadeth me: oh, blessed thought!
Oh, words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do zwhere'er I he

Whate'er I do, where'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, By his own hand he leadeth me. His faithful foll'wer I would be, For by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, By waters calm, o'er troubled sea, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. *Refrain* 

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, Nor ever murmur nor repine; Content, whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. Refrain

And when my task on earth is done, When by thy grace the vict'ry's won, E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God through Jordan leadeth me. Refrain

**DISMISSAL** 

P: Go in Peace, serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

**POSTLUDE** 

## **Announcements**

Thursday, August 28th – Social Ministry Meeting 11:00 AM

**Sunday, August 31st: A Congregational Meeting** following worship service to discuss the candidate and vote on extending a call.

**Save the Date – September 8th – Ladies Night Out** 5:30 PM Dinner and Fellowship at Bruno's on Old Jacksonville Hwy. See Amy for more information

**Sunday, September 14th Sunday School Rally Day** 5:00 PM Swim Party and Hot Dog Supper at the Nazario home. See Carmen for more information

# **Our Worship Servants This Morning:**

Greeter: Gloria Bielfeldt

Acolyte: Annabelle & Penelope Davis
Ushers: Max Lewis & Preston Graham

Reader: Sylvia Miller

Communion Assistants: Blaine Davis, Jan Mock, Susan Buntz AV Booth: Carlie Dimitriadis & Colten Watkins

# **Upcoming Activities at OSLC (August 25-31)**

Monday: Men's Group 8:00 PM
Tuesday: Quilters 9:00 AM
Thursday: Social Ministry Meeting 11:00 AM

CODA 6:00 PM

Friday: Classical Conversations 9:00-3:00

Saturday: Altar Guild

Sunday: Bible Study 9:00 AM

Choir 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM

Congregational Meeting 11:00 AM

## Attendance

Sunday, August 17, 2025: 85

2025 Average Attendance: 84

# Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings: \$ 2,495

Total for the August: \$ 14,617

2025 Total Offerings to Date: \$ 181,478

## Volunteers needed

We are looking for 1-2 people who would be willing to teach Sunday School. If you feel called to teach our children, please talk to Carmen Nazario

We are looking for volunteers to help with transportation on Sunday mornings so some of our members and guest can attend church in person.

Please talk to Jerry Redman

### PRAYER LIST

### Our Members:

Jim & Janet Anthony, Jaeyong Lee, Glory Gopinath, Ed Lucas, Mary Ferguson, Margo Williams, Toby Fite, John Minster, Sam Hough, Amber Tizcareno, Jeanine Franklin, Carol Barner, Gloria Guilfoyle, Tom & Mary Criswell, Kathleen Grant, Phyllis Guysinger, Larry & Joanne Hill, Sarah Lyles, Diane Polley, Curt & Joyce Peterson, Ellie Sadek

## Family & Friends:

Jim Pearson & Family, Erin Gilland, Maria & Sasha, Mark Malloy, Preetha James, Nick Lopez, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Blake Madewell, Joanna Garett, Richard Grinnell

> If you have any updates or changes to the prayer list, please contact Blaine Davis, Natalie Capo, or Jerry Redman

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