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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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Year A

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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

"You Servants of God" *Green Hymnal #252, Verses 1, 2, & 4*

You servants of God, your master proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful name;
The name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all!

Our God rules on high, almighty to save;
And still he is nigh, his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
As cribbing salvation to Jesus, our King!

Then let us adore and give him his right,
All glory and pow'r and wisdom and might,
All honor and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!

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: Lord God, rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit, that while keeping the end of all things in mind, we may be stirred up to holiness in this life and come to be with You forever in that life to come. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. **C: Amen**

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "IF YOU'RE HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT"

If you're happy and you know it
Say "Amen!" Amen!
If you're happy and you know it
Say "Amen!" Amen!

If you're happy and you know it
Then your life will surely show it
If you're happy and you know it
Say "Amen!" Amen!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

FIRST READING ~ ZEPHANIAH 1:7-16

L: The first reading comes from the book of Zephaniah, the 1st chapter.

See Insert

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

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 90

L: We will read Psalm 90 responsively. *See Insert*

SECOND READING ~ I THESSALONIANS 5:1-11

L: The second reading comes from the book of I Thessalonians, the 5th chapter.

See Insert

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

L: Please stand in honor of the Gospel.

GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ "ALLELUIA LORD" *Green Hymnal p. 83*

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. Matthew the 25th chapter.
C: Glory to You, O LORD.

MATTHEW 25:14-30

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

Please be seated

MESSAGE ~ BLAINE DAVIS

Please stand as you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY "O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST" *Green Hymnal #320*

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:

Under the shadow of your throne
Your saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is your arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received its frame,
From everlasting you are God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the op'ning day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Still be our guard while troubles last
And our eternal home!

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: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A: Heavenly Father, we give You thanks for calling us here today to be in Your presence, among Your people, to commune with You. We offer our thanks for Your goodness. We offer our thanks for Your love of us. We offer our thanks for the freedom and prosperity You have entrusted us with. If it gives You glory, continue to bless Your church on earth with faith, obedience, a heart for You and each other. Lord in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Lord Jesus Christ, we give You thanks for showing us the way of the kingdom. We give You thanks for Your example of service, for the life we find in and through You. If it gives You glory, correct the errors of our ways. Reshape us and conform us into Your image. Make us to be followers of Your Way. Empower each of us to participate in Your mission with enthusiasm and Your ministry with gratitude. Lord in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy Spirit of God, we also ask that You empower the leaders of government and leaders of corporations to be men and women of your Will and Way. Help them initiate peace and freedom and truth. Help the workers within hospitals and schools heal, build up and guide the humanity entrusted to them. Holy Spirit of God, we ask that You guard and guide our nation's servicemen & women wherever they are. And, sustain their families while they are away from home. Lord in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: We ask that You bless Your holy Church with bishops, pastors, and leaders who have a heart to love You and courage to speak Your Word. We ask that You protect Your Church from the deceptions of the evil one so that it may shine Your truth in the world. We ask that You bless Your Holy Church with a desire and ability to be disciples of Christ and to make disciples of Christ.

Give us joy in worship. Give us hope in learning. Give us purpose in serving. Lord in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

A: Father, we pray for those who are hospitalized, who are managing illness, enduring chronic pain, and those harboring secret burdens…
We pray for those who are wounded by broken vows, promises and relationships…We pray for those who are enslaved by addictions…
We pray for the lost and those who are not interested in following the Way of Your Son…We pray for cultural Christians who have lukewarm faith…
Father, would You inspire and empower faithful Christians to accompany them and extend Your gifts of the Holy Spirit, of healing, peace, faith and freedom. Lord, in your mercy…

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray. We will trust in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS

"JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE"

I am weak, but thou art strong;
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
As I walk, let me walk, close to thee.

Chorus
Just a closer walk with thee,
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily walking close to thee,
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Thru this world of toil and snares,
If I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Chorus*

When my feeble life is o'er,
Time for me will be no more;
Guide me gently, safely o'er
To thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.
Chorus

"CLEANSE ME"

Search me, O God, and know my heart today;
try me, O savior, know my thoughts, I pray:
see if there be some wicked way in me:
cleanse me from every sin and set me free.

I praise Thee Lord, for cleansing me from sin:
Fulfill Thy Word, and make me pure within;

Fill me with fire, where once I burned with shame:
Grant my desire to magnify Thy name.

Lord, take my life, and make it wholly Thine;
fill my poor heart with Thy great love divine;
take all my will, my passion, self and pride;
I now surrender: Lord, in me abide.

"I RECEIVED THE LIVING GOD" *Blue Hymnal #700*

Refrain:
I received the living God,
and my heart is full of joy.
I received the living God,
and my heart is full of joy.

Jesus said: I am the bread
kneaded long to give you life;
you who will partake of me
need not ever fear to die.
Refrain

Jesus said: I am the way,
and my Father longs for you;
so I come to bring you home
to be one with us anew.
Refrain

Jesus said: I am the truth;
come and follow close to me.
You will know me in your heart,
and my word shall make you free.
Refrain

Jesus said: I am the life
far from whom no thing can grow,
but receive this living bread,
and my Spirit you shall know.
Refrain

"O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER" *Blue Hymnal #772*

O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer:
when I call answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer,
come and listen to me.

The Lord is my song,
The Lord is my praise:
All my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song,
The Lord is my praise:
God, the well-spring of life.

Please stand

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 "NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD" *Green Hymnal #534, v3*

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

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 LORD, NOW LET YOUR SERVANT" *Green Hymnal #339*

O Lord, now let your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto your holy hill,
The glory of your people,
Your chosen Israel.

Then grant that I may follow
Your gleam, O glorious Light,
Till earthly shadows scatter,
And faith is changed to sight;
Till raptured saints shall gather
Upon that shining shore,
Where Christ, the blessed day-star,
Shall light them evermore.

DISMISSAL & POSTLUDE

A: Go, live as disciples of Christ Jesus.
C: Thanks be to God. And we will!

OUR WORSHIP SERVANTS THIS MORNING:

Greeters:	Sylvia Miller and Tommie Ann Grinnell
Acolytes:	Clara Watkins and Penelope Davis
Ushers:	Todd Nazario and Ken Pontious
Reader:	Isabella Sabillon
Assistant:	Alan Cumming
Communion Assistants:	Alan Cumming, Blaine Davis, Carmen Nazario
AV Booth:	Linda Webster and Becky Chambers

Upcoming Activities November 16-22

Monday	
MDO	8-3
Mahjong	10:00 AM
Men's Group	8:00 PM
Tuesday	
Quilters	9:00 AM
Videtto Zoom	4:00 PM
Spin	6:00 PM
Wednesday	
MDO	8-3
Capo group	11:00 AM
Pastor group	6:30 PM
Thursday	
Bible Study	10:00 AM
Prime Timers	11:30 AM
Watkins group	6:00 PM
CoDA	6:00 PM

Friday	
Classical Conversations (make up day)	9-3
Saturday	
Altar Guild	
Embroiderers	9-3
Kern group	9:00 AM
Sunday:	
Sunday School	9:00 AM
Adult Bible Study	9:00 AM
Choir	9:00 AM
Worship	10:00 AM
Buntz group	11:30 AM
Decorate the Church	11:30 AM
Confirmation	4:00 PM

Attendance

Sunday, November 8:	132
2026 Average Attendance:	127

Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings	$ 10,437
Month of November	$ 15,872
Monthly Goal	$ 29,677
2026 Total Offerings to Date	$ 373,673

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