



WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN! Thank you for joining us as we worship of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, **please place your cell phones on mute** for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here!

IN OUR PRAYERS: Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

NEW LOOK FOR THE BULLETIN: The two pictures at the top of the bulletin are the church's logo and the LCMC logo. The church's logo is the descent of the Holy Spirit into 'Our Savior' at the time of His Baptism.

We Serve Today:

Reader: *Offering:*
Communion: *Greeter:*

We Serve Next Sunday: TBA

Reader: *Offering:*
Communion: *Greeter*

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GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME

Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements

CONFESSIONAL PRAYER - congregational responses in **BOLD**

Pastor: Lord, we approach your altar with with love for You and our concern for the price you paid for us on the cross. We realize the difficulties that we face, and we confess the poor job we have done with our response to your sacrifice. For that, dear Lord, we make our confession to you this day.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things 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

ABSOLUTION

Pastor: As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus on His cross, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, and by the authority of Jesus Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus we pray. **Alleluia and Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN: 018 – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):

Be merciful to our leaders, that they would exercise the authority given them with wisdom and righteousness, so that we would be enabled to live in freedom and peace.

Alleluia. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us. Alleluia.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 51:1-6 (ESV)

The Lord's Comfort for Zion

"Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug.

²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he ¹was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. ³For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law^[a] will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; **[b] but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.**

PSALM: Psalm 138(ESV) (Recited whole verse by whole verse - Congregation in *Bold***)**

His Steadfast Love Endures Forever

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

²Give thanks to the God of gods, **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

³Give thanks to the Lord of lords, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁴to him who alone does great wonders, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁵to him who by understanding made the heavens, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁶to him who spread out the earth above the waters, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁷to him who made the great lights, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁸the sun to rule over the day, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁹the moon and stars to rule over the night, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹⁰to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹¹and brought Israel out from among them, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹²with a strong hand and an outstretched arm, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹³to him who divided the Red Sea in two, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹⁴and made Israel pass through the midst of it, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹⁵but overthrew^[a] Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹⁶to him who led his people through the wilderness, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹⁷to him who struck down great kings, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹⁸and killed mighty kings, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

¹⁹Sihon, king of the Amorites, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

²⁰and Og, king of Bashan, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

²¹and gave their land as a heritage, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

²²a heritage to Israel his servant, **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

²³It is he who remembered us in our low estate, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

²⁴and rescued us from our foes, **for his steadfast love endures forever;**

²⁵he who gives food to all flesh, **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

²⁶Give thanks to the God of heaven, **for his steadfast love endures forever.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen

EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 11:33-12:8 (ESV)

³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

³⁴"For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?"

³⁵"Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"

³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen

A Living Sacrifice

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers,^[a] by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.^[b] ²Do not be conformed to this world,^[c] but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.^[d]

Gifts of Grace

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members,^[e] and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads,^[f] with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

Please rise for the Alleluia.

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20 (ESV)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the Chapter 16.

Glory to You oh Lord!

Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock^[b] I will build my church, and the gates of hell^[c] shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed^[d] in heaven." ²⁰Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you oh Christ!

SERMON: What Time Is It, Anyway? Pastor Larry Yerger

SERMON HYMN: 560 – In the Sweet By and By

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles Creed (C)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

P. The Lord Be With You.

C. **And Also With You.**

P. Please share the peace of the Lord with those around you.

Because of the danger of sickness, please use the fist bump manner I will teach you today.

THE OFFERING: Offertory – Just a Closer Walk with Thee – Dean Carson

As the offering is brought forward, we will sing the Doxology.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below, Praise him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them 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 good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God for in the mystery of the Word made flesh, You have given us a new revelation of Your glory, that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and arch angels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

1 Holy, Holy, Holy vs 1

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God, Almighty
Early in the morning, our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity**

PRAYERS OF PRAISE:

Let us Pray: *(Prayer Response)* Lord in your Mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and forever. Amen**

**PREPARATION OF THE TABLE, WORDS OF INSTITUTION, THE DISTRIBUTION,
THE COMMUNION BLESSING**

COMMUNION HYMN: 430 – Standing on the Promises

THE AARONIC BENEDECTION & Let There Be Peace On Earth

Congregational Song, **Let There Be Peace on Earth**

**Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth**

**Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow**

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The peace that was meant to be
With God as our father
Brothers all are we
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony

To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

THE DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C. **Thanks be to God**

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