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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.

THE MEANING OF THE TWO PICTURES IN 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.

BIBLE STUDIES: It is again time to start our Study of the Scriptures of our Lord. We will resume our study of **What Do You Think of Jesus** on Wednesday January 5th at 10 AM. Then starting next Sunday after worship we will finish up our study of the Small Catechism for our new members.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS: We will begin our celebrations with a performance of Re-Creation on Saturday night, February 12, at 7 PM at our church. I found out that we are the smallest church that sponsors re-Creation, and the reason they keep on returning is the welcome we give them. The smallest donation we gave to them was \$800 last year. It would be great if possible to get our donation to them in the \$1,000 range to help this important ministry.

Then we will celebrate our 10th Anniversary on the 13th of February in our worship service. After the service we will have a Potluck dinner and I will provide the ham for this dinner. Please bring a side dish or desert to celebrate this big event in our church's life. Let's invite all former members to join us in worship to help us celebrate this important date that they helped create.

We Serve Today:

SERVICE OF THE WORD – THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

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.

1 John 1:8-9

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

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<u>Pastor</u>: 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: 197 Majesty

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):

Our Father, as at the baptism in the Jordan river you once proclaimed Jesus your beloved son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit, grant that all who are baptized in his name may faithfully keep the covenant into which they have been called, boldly confess their Savior, and with him be heirs of life eternal; 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 and Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7 (ESV)

43 But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
"Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

3 For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

4 Because you are precious in my eyes,

and honored, and I love you,

I give men in return for you,

peoples in exchange for your life.

5 Fear not, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you.

6 I will say to the north, Give up,

and to the south, Do not withhold;

bring my sons from afar

and my daughters from the end of the earth,

7 everyone who is called by my name,

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whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

PSALM: Psalm 29 (ESV) (Recited whole verse by whole verse – Congregation in Bold)

Ascribe to the LORD Glory

A Psalm of David.

29 Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

3 The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.

4 The voice of the LORD is powerful;

the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,

and Sirion like a young wild ox.

7 The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

8 The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

- 9 The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare,
 - and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

10 The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;

the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

11 May the LORD give strength to his people!

May the LORD bless his people with peace!

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 6:1-11 (ESV)

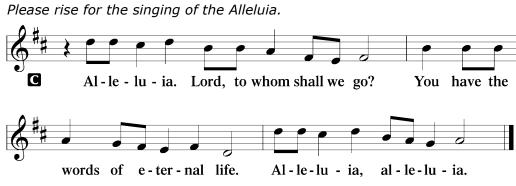
Dead to Sin, Alive to God

6 What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

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5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.

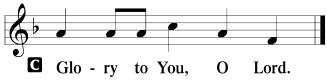
7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.



THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-22 (ESV)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 3rd Chapter.

Spoken until we get an accompanist



15 As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, 16 John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

18 So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. 19 But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, 20 added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

21 Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, 22 and the Holy Spirit descended on him in

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bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son;[a] with you I am well pleased."



SERMON 'What is Baptism?' - Pastor Steve Dygert + STS

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God our Father, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Ephesians 1:2*

C: Amen

SERMON HYMN: 379 Children of the Heavenly Father

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.

Rite of Friendship:

P. The Peace of the Lord Be With You Always.

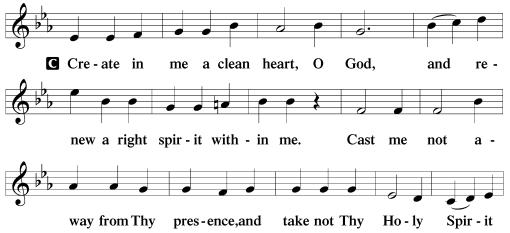
C. And Also With You.

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

During Covid, share the peace by remaining in your chairs and waving at those around you.

P. We now have the opportunity to share back with the Lord a little of the bounty He has shared with us.

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Psalm* 51:10-12

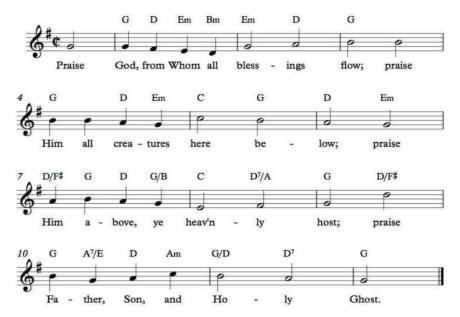




THE OFFERING: Offertory -

As the offering is brought forward, we will sing the Doxology. Doxology, written in England for Protestant Churches in 1674.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-our selves, 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 GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P: The Lord be with you. 2nd Timothy 4:22
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Psalm 136
- C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise

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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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whom at His Baptism Your voice revealed Him to be Your beloved Son and the Holy Spirit descended unto Him, confirming Him to be the Christ.

Therefore with angels and arch angel and all the hosts of Heaven, we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of Your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

SANCTUS:

1 Holy, Holy, Holy vs 1, Revelation 4:8

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:*Matt.* 26:26-28; *Mark* 14:22-24; *Luke* 22:19-20; 1st Corinthians 11:23-25

On the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ, took bread, and after giving thanks, He broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said; "Take and eat; this is My body, given for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same manner, after supper He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to the them saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the new testament in My blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of of Me."

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1^{st} Corinthians 11:26

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER:

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again. THE DISTRIBUTION, THE COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: 13 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

THE AARONIC BENEDICTION:

THE DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God