

**Our Savior Lutheran Church December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 Page 1**  
**14344 Jamison Way, (941) 249-5108**



**WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN!** Thank you for joining us as we worship 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.

**PRAYER CARDS:** Please legibly fill out a prayer card for today's service. We will not be sharing our prayers verbally before the service to save time for worship.

**We Serve Today: Celebrant and Preacher, Rev. Sarah C. Stern**

Reader: Pr. Sarah C. Stern

Offering: Gene Dulik, David Colburn

Communion: Bev Cisco, Peggie Sue Dygert

Greeter: Jeff Cisco

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**SERVICE OF THE WORD PAGE 126 - 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After PENTECOST**

**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**

**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.**

**1. ENTRANCE HYMN: R408 Peace Like a River**

**2. THE DIALOGUE PAGE 126 BOTTOM**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the Universe,  
**for in your wisdom you have formed us.**

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You feed the hungry and clothe the naked

**We bless you and praise your holy name forever.**

You set free those who are bound.

**We bless you and praise your holy name forever.**

You raise up those whose courage falters

**We bless you and praise your holy name forever.**

You provide for our every need.

**Accept our grateful praises.**

You have called us from all peoples.

**We bless you and praise your holy name forever.**

You bless your people with peace.

**We bless you and praise your loving peace.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the Universe,

**for in your wisdom you have formed us**

**3. OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; [God of God], Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. "Who, for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;**

**He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**"And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father [and the Son]; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen."**

**4 PRAYER OF THE DAY(Unison): P. Let us pray:**

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**Stir up our hearts Oh Lord, to make ready the way of your only -begotten Son that his second coming we may worship him in purity and in 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, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Alleluia and Amen.**

**5. THE EPISTLE LESSON: Philippeans 4:6-7**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

**Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand;**

do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

**And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

**THE GOSPEL LESSON, Luke 1:26-35, 46, PLEASE STAND**

*Birth of Jesus Foretold*

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary.

And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.

And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord."

**6. MEDITATION MOMENT: *Because He Lives* – Dean Carson**

**7. SERMON HYMN: R363 *It is Well With My Soul***

**12. "Peace: Lord, Leave Me Not on My Own Understanding" Rev. Sarah Stern**

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

**C: Amen**

**13. OFFERING**

**Rite of Friendship:**

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

**C. And Also With You.**

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

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

Musical notation for the Doxology, written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here be - low; praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Chords: G, D, Em, Bm, Em, D, G, G, D, Em, C, G, D, Em, D/F#, G, D, G/B, C, D7/A, G, D/F#, G, A7/E, D, Am, G/D, D7, G.

*Doxology, written in England for Protestant Churches in 1674.*

**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**

**15. THE PRAYERS:** PAGE 129 Let us Pray:

*(Prayer Response) We Praise You Oh Lord: Amen.*

**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,**

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**forever and forever. Amen**

**PREPARATION OF THE TABLE:**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION:***Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1<sup>st</sup> 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<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11:26*

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:**

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

**THE DISTRIBUTION, THE COMMUNION BLESSING**

**17. THE AARONIC BENEDICTION: LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH:**

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

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