

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH OF EL JOBEAN
14344 JAMISON WAY, PORT CHARLOTTE FLORIDA; SEPTEMBER 22nd 2024 1
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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 Lutheran Congregations in Mission to Christ logo. The church's logo is the descent of the Holy Spirit into 'Our Savior' at the time of His Baptism.

JESUS LOVES YOU MINISTERIES: Around Christmas time we always have a food drive for Jesus Loves You Ministeries, but they need food all your round. Let's Start collecting can goods, socks, underwear, toiletries, and anything else we can think they might need.

BIBLE STUDY: Bible Study is continuing our study of the Gospel of John. If we want to really better know and understand our Lord and Savior, studying this Gospel is important for us. Join us at 10 am for our study.

BILL SELANKEWICZ CELEBRATION OF LIFE: Sunday October 6th before our Potluck.

POTLUCK: Oct 6th. YUM!!

WOMEN'S GROUP: Saturday Oct. 5th at Cody's in the Port Charlotte Mall at 1:00 PM.

WE WELCOME ALL OF OUR VISITORS!: Welcome to our family today! We are so happy you chose to visit us today. If you are looking for a church home, feel free to call Pastor Steve and let us introduce ourselves to you. God Bless you and welcome to His church!

We Serve Today:

Reader: *Pr. Don*

Offering: *Gene Dulik*

Communion: *Ellie Selk, Fran Thibideau, Bubbles Burress*

Greeter: *Dottie Smith*

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SERVICE OF THE WORD: EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTACOST

GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME: *Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements*

Pastor: We begin our worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **AMEN**

CONFESSIONAL PRAYER - *congregational responses in BOLD*

Pastor: Lord, we approach Your altar with love for You and our appreciation 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 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**

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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: R28 Oh God Our Help in Ages Past

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed (C)

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 worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic 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.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY: (Unison):

Our Loving Lord Jesus, help us to be kind and gentle with all whom we meet with whom we talk. Be with us and help us to be better followers of you, Oh Lord. ALLELUIA AND AMEN

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS: Jeremiah 11:18-20 ESV

Jer 11:18 The LORD made it known to me and I knew; then you showed me their deeds.

Jer 11:19 But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. I did not

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know it was against me they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more."

Jer 11:20 But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

Jer 11:21 Therefore thus says the LORD concerning the men of Anathoth, who seek your life, and say, "Do not prophesy in the name of the LORD, or you will die by our hand"—

Jer 11:22 therefore thus says the LORD of hosts: "Behold, I will punish them. The young men shall die by the sword, their sons and their daughters shall die by famine,

Jer 11:23 and none of them shall be left. For I will bring disaster upon the men of Anathoth, the year of their punishment."

PSALM: Psalm 54 with Doxology ESV

The Lord Upholds My Life

Psa 54:1 To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments. A Maskil of David, when the Ziphites went and told Saul, "Is not David hiding among us?" O God, save me by your name, and vindicate me by your might.

Psa 54:2 O God, hear my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth.

Psa 54:3 For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men seek my life; they do not set God before themselves. *Selah*

Psa 54:4 Behold, God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life.

Psa 54:5 He will return the evil to my enemies; in your faithfulness put an end to them.

Psa 54:6 With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good.

Psa 54:7 For he has delivered me from every trouble, and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.

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: James 3:23-4:20 ESV

13 Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. 14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth.

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15 This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. 16 For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. 17 But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. 18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

1 What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? 2 You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask.

3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. 4 You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

5 Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? 6 But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Please rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 9:30-37 ESV

30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." 32 But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

Who Is the Greatest?

33 And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" 34 But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.

35 And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." 36 And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to

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them, 37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

SERMON: *The Voice of the Holy Spirit to Us* – Rev. Emeritus Donald Francis
Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God our Father, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Ephesians 1:2*

C: Amen

SERMON HYMN: *R3274 Jesus Loves Me*

OFFERING:

Rite of Friendship:

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

C. **And Also With You.**

P. Please share the Peace with 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.

OFFERING HYMN: Psalm 51

**Create in me, a clean heart, Oh Lord
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not, away from thy presence
And take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me, the joy of thy salvation,
And uphold me with thy free Spirit. Amen**

Musical notation for Psalm 51, including lyrics and guitar chords. The notation is in G major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost."

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

Doxology, written in England for Protestant Churches in 1674.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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P: Merciful Father, **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 PRAYERS:We pray For: *(Prayer Response) Lord in your Mercy: Hear our prayers!*

THE LORD'S PRAYER: KJV

**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 Cor. 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. *1st Corinthians 11:26*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again!

THE DISTRIBUTION, THE COMMUNION BLESSING

ISENDING HYMN: *R197 Majesty = Sing 3 times, then repeat the last phrase Jesus who died.*

THE AARONIC BENEDICTION: Numbers 6: 24-26

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**

**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**

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**People all are we
Let me walk with all people
In perfect harmony**

**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!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Pat Spence