# Our Savior Lutheran Church APRIL 11, 2021 ORDER OF SERVICE

### **Prelude – Ron Lang**

### **Call to Worship**

Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness and come before His presence with singing. Know that the LORD He is God: it is He that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture, so enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him and bless His name, for the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting and His truth endureth to all generations.

**Hymn** 397 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms **Prayer Confession and Absolution** 

Responsive Reading – Congregation in Bold

To everything there is a season,

And a time for every purpose under heaven:

A time to be born and a time to die,

A time to plant and a time to uproot,

A time to kill and a time to heal,

A time to break down and a time to build,

A time to weep and a time to laugh,

A time to mourn and a time to dance,

A time to cast away stones, a time to gather stones together,

A time to embrace, a time to not embrace,

A time to search and a time to count as lost,

A time to keep and a time to discard,

A time to tear and a time to mend,

A time to be silent and a time to speak,

A time to love and a time to hate,

A time for war and a time for peace.

**Hymn** 258 – There is Power in the Blood

## **Scripture Reading**

1 Peter 4.12-19

...don't be surprised at the fiery trials you are going through, as if something strange were happening to you. Instead, be very glad - for these trials make you partners with Christ in His suffering, so that you will have the wonderful joy of seeing His glory...If you are insulted because you bear the name of Christ, you will be blessed, for the glorious Spirit of God rests upon you...it is no shame to suffer for being a Christian {but} Praise God for the privilege of being called by His name! For the time has come for judgment, and it must begin with God's household. [So] if judgment begins with us, what terrible fate awaits those who have never obeyed God's Good News...So if you are suffering in a manner that pleases God, keep on doing what is right and trust your lives to the God who created you, for He will never fail you.

#### Matthew 24, 4-14

Jesus told them, "Don't let anyone mislead you, for many will come in My name, claiming, 'I AM the Messiah.' They will deceive many and you will hear of wars and threats of wars, but don't panic. Yes, these things must take place, but the end won't follow immediately. Nation will go to war against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in many parts of the world. But all this is only the first of the birth pains, with more to come. "Then you will be arrested, persecuted, and killed. You will be hated all over the world because you are My followers and many will turn away from Me and betray and hate each other and many false prophets will appear and will deceive many people. Sin will be rampant everywhere and the love of many will grow cold; however, the one who endures to the end will be saved and the Good News about the Kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, so that all nations will hear it; only then the end will come.

Sermon – Endurance – Rev. Larry Yeager Communion Hymn – ALL Sing – 430 - Standing on the Promises Benediction