

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH OF EL JOBEAN
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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.

JULY 21st NOREEN BOUCHARD CELEBRATION OF LIFE: During the service.

JULY 28TH: CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOLLOWING THE SERVICE

WOMEN OF FAITH: Saturday August 4th at Pioneer Pizza on Tamiami Blvd at 1:00 PM. OH...da guys are invited too! :)

FAMILY FUN DAY: Saturday, August 11th at 2:00 PM. I am supplying the hot dogs and buns and we will need the fixins' to go along with the dogs. Arf!!

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: *Pastor Denise*

Offering: *Ellie Selk*

Communion: *Steve Benz, Dean Carson, Dottie Smith*

Greeter: *Dottie Smith*

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SERVICE OF THE WORD: EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 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: R582 The Church in the Wildwood

DEDICATION OF THE NEW CHAIRS AND THE SIGN FOR THE BUILDING:

Our Heavenly Father we dedication this new sign and the green pew chairs to your service in your home for us. Thank you for the blessings of these new additions to our church and your service. We pray for your continued guidance and blessings in your service, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Service.

C: Amen

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, you came to us from your Father to lead, teach, and redeem us from both our iniquities and our sins. Please help our hearts to hear the message of the Holy Spirit in our lives. In your name we pray. ALLELUIA AND AMEN

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS: Amos 7:7-15 ESV

7 This is what he showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.

8 And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them; 9 the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

10 Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. 11 For thus Amos has said, "'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" 12 And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, 13 but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

14 Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. 15 But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

Psalm: Psalm 85:1-13 with Doxology ESV

Revive Us Again

Psa 85:1 To the choirmaster. A Psalm of the Sons of Korah. LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

Psa 85:2 **You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin.**

Psa 85:3 You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

Psa 85:4 **Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us!**

Psa 85:5 Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations?

Psa 85:6 **Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?**

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Psa 85:7 Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

Psa 85:8 **Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.**

Psa 85:9 Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Psa 85:10 **Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.**

Psa 85:11 Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

Psa 85:12 **Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.**

Psa 85:13 Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

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: Ephesians 1:3-14 ESV

Greeting

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus, and are faithful in Christ Jesus: **2** Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Spiritual Blessings in Christ

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, Eph 1:4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love **5** he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, **6** to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,**8** which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight **9** making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ **10** as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

11 In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, 12 so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. 13 In him you also,

when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

Please rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 6:14-29

The Death of John the Baptist

14 King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." 15 But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old."

16 But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." 17 For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. 18 For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."

19 And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, 20 for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

21 But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. 22 For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." 23 And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom."

24 And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." 25 And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter."

26 And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. 27 And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison 28 and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. 29 When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

This is the Gospel of our Lord. Please be seated.

MUSIC MEDITATION: Forgiveness – Matthew West

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SERMON: "Is There A Plan for Humanity?" - Rev. 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: R203 Lift High the Cross vs 1,3,5

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:

The image shows the musical notation for the offering hymn, 'Doxology'. It is written in G major and 4/4 time. The melody is on a single staff in treble clef. 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.' The chords are indicated above the staff: 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.

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

Doxology, written in England for Protestant Churches in 1674.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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 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 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

SENDING HYMN: R235 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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 People all are we Let me walk with all people 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!!
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THE DISMISSAL P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God

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COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: Pat Spence