

**Our Savior Lutheran Church**  
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**14344 Jamison Way, Pastor's Cell 941.273.7722**



**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!

**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.

**COMMITMENT SUNDAY: Will be next week. Next Sunday is the start of the church year, so the new year will be our new pledge for time, tithe, and talent.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Reader: Pr. Steve

Offering: Dean Carson

Communion: Steve Benz, Pr. Don, Pr. Steve

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**SERVICE OF THE WORD: Last Sunday of the Church Year**

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

Pastor: We gather in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God 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, I have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by the things I have done and by what I have left undone. I have not loved You with my whole heart; I have not loved my neighbors as myself. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, forgive me, renew me and lead me so that I 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: R11 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

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**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.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** Let us pray:

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 51:4-6 NKJV**

**Isa 51:4** "Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.

**Isa 51:5** My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait.

**Isa 51:6** Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

**PSALM: Psalm 93 ESV** *with Doxology*

**Psa 93:1** The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

**Psa 93:2** Your throne is established from of old; you are from

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everlasting.

**Psa 93:3** The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.

**Psa 93:4 Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty!**

**Psa 93:5** Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.

**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: Jude 20:20-25 ESV**

**20** But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, **21** keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

**22** And have mercy on those who doubt; **23** save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

Doxology

**24** Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, **25** to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

**GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 13:24-37 ESV**

**24** "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, **25** and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

**26** And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. **27** And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

The Lesson of the Fig Tree

**28** "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. **29** So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. **30** Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

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31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

No One Knows That Day or Hour

32 "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come.

34 It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. 35 Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning— 36 lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.

37 And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake."

**SERMON:** "Are You Ready?" - Pr. 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: Sleepers Awake, Music Moment**

**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.

**OFFERING: 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 in thy free Spirit. Amen**

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

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him all peoples here below.**

**Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.**

**Praise father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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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 PRAYERS:** 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; 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**

**SENDING HYMN: R197 Majesty Sung twice**

**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 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!!**

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: PAT SPENCE**