# Our Saviour's Lutheran Church May 15th, 2022

8:30am





# OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH "CONNECTING FAMILIES TO JESUS"

**WELCOME** to this place of worship and prayer as we gather as part of the family of our heavenly Father. If you are visiting, please complete a yellow witness of worship card, placing it in the offering plate. As you leave the service introduce yourself to our pastor.

**OSLFAMILY.ORG** – Check out our website to find the current newsletter, sermon recordings, devotional links, congregational information and more.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** are available from the ushers. There are also activity bags and coloring books available for children.

OUR 8:30 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE is broadcast live each week on WZNL 94.3 FM radio and on our YouTube Channel.

**WE WELCOME YOU TO HOLY COMMUNION** All who seek the benefits of this sacrament are welcome at the communion table. Grape juice & gluten free bread are available upon request. Children not receiving communion may come forward for a blessing. Thanks for worshipping with us today!

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# Fifth Sunday after Easter

**Prelude** 

**Welcome & Announcements** 

**Temple Talk** 

# **Preparation for Worship**

Pray for an open heart to experience the presence of Jesus, for your family, for your family of faith and for the worship team.

\*stand as you are able

# **The Celebration of God's Presence**

## \*Confession & Forgiveness

[P] We gather together today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

- [P] Gathered by the Holy Spirit, let us confess our sin.
- [C] Lord God who makes all things new, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what 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.
- [P] Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[C] Amen.

# **Preparation for the Word**

\*Gathering Hymn – #143 "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

Now all the vault of heav'n resounds In praise of love that still abounds: "Christ has triumphed! He is Living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here; "Christ has triumphed! "Christ has triumphed! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eternal is the gift he brings,
Therefore our heart with rapture sings;
"Christ has triumphed! He is Living!"
Now still he comes to give us life
And by his presence stills all strife;
"Christ has triumphed! He is Living!"
Alleluia, alleluia!

Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through your triumph
Grant grace sufficient for life's day
That by our lives we truly say:
"Christ has triumphed! He is Living!"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heav'nly blessed sing;
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!
Be to the Father, and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God,
All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### \*Greeting

- [P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- [C] And also with you.

## \*The Kyrie

[P] In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



[P] For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



[P] For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



[P] For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



[P] Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



#### \*This is the Feast





#### \*The Salutation

[P] The Lord be with you.



# \*Prayer of the Day

- [P] Let us pray together:
- [C] O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music -

Tom Nelson

## God's Word Guides Us

Bibles are in the pews to use if you would like to follow along with the lessons. If you do not own a bible please take one home as our gift.

# First Reading: Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>I was in the city of loppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw fourfooted animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' 8But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' 10 This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. 11 At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. 13He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; 14he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' 15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17 If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" 18When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

[L] The Word of the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise God in the heights.

<sup>2</sup>Praise the LORD, all you angels; sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.

 Praise the LORD, sun and moon; sing praise, all you shining stars.
 Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD, who commanded, and they were created, <sup>6</sup>who made them stand fast forever and ever, giving them a law that shall not pass away.

> <sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps; <sup>8</sup>fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God's will;

9mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; 10wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds;

<sup>11</sup>sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world; <sup>12</sup>young men and maidens, old and young together.

13Let them praise the name of the LORD,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.

14The LORD has raised up strength for the people
and praise for all faithful servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD.
Hallelujah!

### Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

[L] The Word of the Lord.

# [C] Thanks be to God.

#### \*Alleluia



# \*Proclamation of the Gospel

[P] The Holy Gospel according to John, the 13th chapter.



## \*Gospel Reading - John 13:31-35

<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

[P] The Gospel of Our Lord.



## **Meditation on the Word**

Children's Message

Message

Pr. Paul Strom

Hymn of the Day - WOV #674 "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"

Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor the Lamb, heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

#### **REFRAIN:**

Jesus is risen and we shall arise; Give God the glory! Alleluia!

Walking the way, Christ in the center telling the story to open our eyes; breaking our bread, giving us glory; Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. REFRAIN

Jesus the vine, we are the branches; Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; Heaven to earth, Christ to the people, Gift of the future now flowing to me. REFRAIN

Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent; Death put asunder, and Easter is bright. Cherubim sing; "O grave, be open!" Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. REFRAIN

City of God, Easter forever,
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,
River of life, saints and archangels,
Sing with creation to God the I AM! REFRAIN

### \*The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

# \*Prayers of the Church

[P] ... Lord in your Mercy. [C] Hear our prayer.

# **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

#### \*Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### \*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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

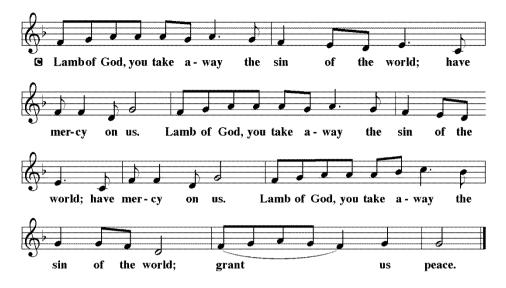
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

[P] The gifts of God for the people of God. [C] Thanks be to God.

#### **Distribution of Holy Communion**

(We practice open communion which means everyone is welcome at the table of the Lord. Please approach Pastor with your hands cradled left over right to accept the bread and then take a cup of red wine or white grape juice. There are baskets on each side of the church to receive empty cups.)

#### \*Lamb of God



## \*Post-Communion Blessing

[P] Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you forever in his grace.

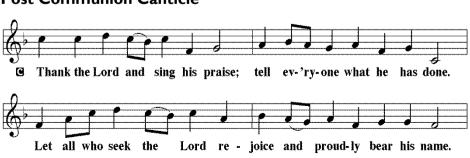
### [C] Amen

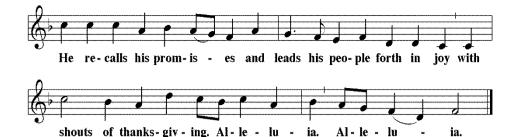
# \*Post Communion Prayer

- [P] Let us pray together:
- [C] Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us.

  Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. Amen

#### \*Post Communion Canticle





#### \*Benediction

# \*Closing Hymn -WOV #673 "I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me"

I'm so glad Jesus lifted me. I'm so glad Jesus lifted me. I'm so glad Jesus lifted me, singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me. Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me. Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me, singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me. When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me. When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

#### \*Dismissal

[P] Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**

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Senior Pastor – Paul Strom Organist – Linda Westman Saturday Pianist – Gretchen Strom Music – Tom Nelson

	<u>Saturday</u> 5:00pm	<b>Sunday</b> 8:30am	<b>Sunday</b> 10:45am
In Charge	Larry Swartout	Tania Taff	Jason Roell
Lector	Cris Hamlin	Heidi Gareau	Dodie Wagner
Ushers		Larry & Joy Nasi	

# This Week at Our Saviour's

Sunday	8:30 Communion Worship 10:45 Communion Worship
Tuesday	1:00 Lydia Circle
Wednesday	8:30 Sewing Bee 1:00 Hospice Quilters 6:00 Confirmation
Thursday	10:30 Bible Study 6:30 Bible Study
Saturday	5:00 Communion Worship
Sunday	8:30 Communion Worship 9:30 Special Fellowship 10:45 Communion Worship (Baccalaureate Sunday)

**MONICA CHARTIER** is retiring from her position as our Sunday School Superintendent. We will be doing a special fellowship in her honor next Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please join us after the 8:30 service for cake and coffee as we honor her more than 10 years of service in youth ministry at Our Saviour's.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:** Our Saviour's is doing a capital fund drive to raise the money needed to fully fund our church's new roof! We need a sound building in able to ensure we are able to serve our Lord today, and for years to come. Please join us in praying for this campaign over the coming weeks:

Gracious Jesus, bless our church and our congregation. Lord help each of us prayerfully consider your house where we gather to confess our sins, hear your word, sing your praise, listen to the message of your love, grace and forgiveness and receive holy communion. Bless each of us as we give to provide for the construction of a new roof. In your holy name we pray, Amen

**LYDIA CIRCLE INVITES** all women are to join us in the Gathering Room at **1:00 PM** on Tuesday, **May 17**<sup>th</sup> for Bible Study, fellowship, prayer, dessert, and a short business meeting. Verna Hower will be our hostess, while Tracy Husing leads us in **Session 7** of our <u>Proverbs 31</u> <u>Woman</u> study, **Faithfulness: The Story of Mary, Mother of Jesus.** We would love to have you join us!

**BIBLE STUDY** with Pastor Paul meets Thursdays at 10:30am & 6:30pm. The last day of bible study will be May 26th we will be on break for the summer.

**BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY IS MAY 22<sup>nd</sup>.** We will be honoring our graduates at the 10:45am service.

A CHURCH COOKBOOK will be published as part of our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. In the near future we will be collecting recipes in a digital form with specific instructions as to the format or hand written recipes can also be submitted and will be typed by our committee. Start thinking about your favorite recipes and watch for further details.

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** families: Next weekend, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, we hope you will join us in celebrating Monica and at that time we will have a summer gift for you to pick up. We hope you will continue to learn about Jesus and enjoy time with your family during the summer using the Families Celebrate Summer deck of cards. Each card features a faith-based ritual, reflection, or other activity for families.

**REGISTRATION FOR THE SHEPHERD'S PRESCHOOL** is now open! There are still spots available for the 3-4 year old class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For information please email <a href="mailto:shepherdspreschool@gmail.com">shepherdspreschool@gmail.com</a>

**CONFIRMATION** for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders meets Wednesdays at 6pm. 7<sup>th</sup> Graders will not meet on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Both grades will have their final class of the year on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** will meet May 25<sup>th</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm.

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

Members: Lois Martonen, Geno Schinderle, Jorgen Klefstad, Neveyah Bouche, Jeanette Granquist, Bev Wadke

Sympathy to Jane Zawada on the death of her nephew Christopher Carollo.

Family Members: Micah Lerman, Jonah Lerman, Frederic Husing, Susan Wolfgram, Jacqui & Keith Davison, Derek Lindstrom, Erin Niebla, Eric Gresnick

Healthy Pregnancy & Delivery: Gina Wollner, Kassie Nelson. Dani

Friends of Members: Joey Eaton, Greg Bray, Mike & Deb Julian, Rita Carlson, Laura, Jim Maloney, Cecilia, Millie

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All those serving in the armed forces in the U.S. and overseas: Andrew Perla, Kaleigh Farrell, Emily Bradley, Neil Bradley, Claire Oberthaler, Max & Iris Robare Gaffey, Nicholas Schroeder, Chris Carlson, Travis Smith, Dennis Vassar, Zachariah Groskreutz

To add a name, please call the church office. Names stay on the list for one month unless requested.

To add someone to our prayer list, please be sure that you have asked their permission.