

Our Savior Lutheran Church

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Welcome Visitors!

This morning we celebrate the Lord's Supper, also known as Holy Communion. The word "communion" means "union with" and it is an appropriate name since in the Lord's Supper we celebrate the union which exists between:

- 1) Ourselves and Jesus Christ,
- 2) Each other through our unity of faith,
- 3) The bread and the body of Christ, and
- 4) The wine and the blood of Christ.

To receive this Sacrament in a worthy manner, it is necessary that a person believe:

- 1) That he is a sinner in need of God's forgiveness,
- 2) That forgiveness is given to us through the passion and death of Jesus Christ on the cross, and
- 3) That the true body and blood of Jesus Christ are present in the Sacrament.

If you truly believe this but have never received the Sacrament at this church, please speak to the pastor before coming to the altar.

Also, to help ensure that you commune in what Scripture calls a "worthy manner" (1 Corinthians 11:27), meaning in a manner consistent with Jesus' institution, and not to your harm, please prayerfully read through the "Christian Questions and Answers" for those who intend to go to the Sacrament, found on pages 329-330 in "Lutheran Service Book". This is the basis of our preparation of youth to receive the Lord's Supper, and it is always a most appropriate way for us to renew our knowledge of the Sacrament and to rekindle the devotion and piety of repentance and faith as we come to the Lord's Table.

White grape juice is available in the rose-colored cups, located in the center of each tray, for those who do not wish to consume alcohol.

As We Gather

"You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body," writes St. Paul in today's Epistle. (1 Corinthians 6:19b-20) The prophet Samuel was given to God by his parents as a child, and the disciple Philip brought his brother Nathanael to the Lord. We have been given faith to see Jesus (with Nathanael) as the Son of God, and the Holy Spirit uses our bodies as His temple (1 Corinthians 6:19a). In response to hearing God's Word, the question, then, for us to answer - in the mirror at least - is, "What will you do with the body?"

Serving Today

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Head Usher: Matthew Lange

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Altar Guild: Linda Buhrmester and Deb Wright

✠ Second Sunday after Epiphany ✠

✠ Divine Service, Setting One ✠

Opening Hymn

“O Day of Rest and Gladness”

LSB 906



1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,
2 This day at earth's cre - a - tion The light first had its birth;
3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, His Ho - ly Scrip - ture hear;
△ 4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, We walk the pil - grim way,



O balm of care and sad - ness, Most beau - ti - ful, most bright;
This day for our sal - va - tion Christ rose from depths of earth;
His liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, Through bread and wine made near.
At length our rest at - tain - ing, Our end - less Sab - bath day.



This day the high and low - ly, Through a - ges joined to bless,
This day our Lord vic - to - rious The Spir - it sent from heav'n,
We jour - ney on, be - liev - ing, Re - newed with heav'n - ly might,
We sing to Thee our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;



Sing, “Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,” The tri - une God con - fess.
And thus this day most glo - rious A three - fold light was giv'n.
From grace more grace re - ceiv - ing, On this blest day of light.
The Church her voice up - rais - es To Thee, blest Three in One.

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✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✝ Service of the Word ✝

Kyrie

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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.

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Amen.

This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12–13; 19:5–9

Refrain



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-ty is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb — who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 3:1–20

¹The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

⁴Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, “Here I am!” ⁵and ran to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down.

⁶And the LORD called again, “Samuel!” and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant hears.” ¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel, “Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli’s house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever.”

¹⁵Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, “Samuel, my son.” And he said, “Here I am.” ¹⁷And Eli said, “What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.” ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, “It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him.”

¹⁹And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 139:1–10; antiphon: v. 14

P ¹O LORD, you have searched me and known me!

C ²**You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

P ³You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.

C ⁴**Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.**

P ⁵You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

C ⁶**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high; I cannot attain it.**

P ⁷Where shall I go from your Spirit?
Or where shall I flee from your presence?

C ⁸**If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!**

P ⁹If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

C ¹⁰**even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me.**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning
is now, and will be forever. Amen**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 6:12–20

¹²“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be enslaved by anything. ¹³“Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of

Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 1:43–51

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” ⁴⁷Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” ⁴⁸Nathanael said to him, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” ⁴⁹Nathanael answered him, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” ⁵⁰Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.” ⁵¹And he said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

Children’s Sermon

Hymn of the Day

“Rise, Shine, You People”

LSB 825



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how He sends the pow’rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent His Son to save us.

Our hu - man sto - ry; God in Him is cen - tered.
 He brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing.
 Your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing.
 Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us.

He comes to us, by death and sin sur -
 All men and wom - en, who by guilt are
 To all the world go out and tell the
 Tell how the Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry

round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.
 driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.
 sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.
 na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

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Sermon

“A Happy Invasion of Privacy”

John 1:43-51

Sermon Hymn

“Christ Is Our Cornerstone”

LSB 912

1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone we build;
 2 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we im - plore,
 △ 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall ring;

With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His
 And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til
 Our voic - es we will raise The Three in One to sing And thus

great love Our hopes we place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.
 that day When all the blest To end - less rest Are called a - way.
 pro - claim In joy - ful song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name.

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Please stand

Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth
 and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of His 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 us men and 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 at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
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 Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** O Lord, You have called us into the fellowship and priesthood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. By His incarnation and great work of salvation, heaven is opened to us in Him. Give us boldness to cling to Your faithful call, that Your deliverance would not be hidden but spoken freely in all the world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Gracious God, preserve Your Church here and throughout the world. Send forth laborers into Your harvest and sustain those You have sent, especially Matthew, our Synod president; our district president; and our circuit visitor. Make all Christians bold in confession and unwavering in prayer. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Father, You have given us Your Holy Spirit, making our bodies Your temple and knitting us together into the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Give us courage and constancy to treasure Your gift of holy marriage. Preserve Your Christians in true chastity: the married in honorable faithfulness to one another, and the unmarried in honorable purity, for You have bought us with the precious price of Your Son's blood to glorify You in our bodies. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, You are the Lord and You do whatever seems good to You. As every lawful authority on earth comes from You, uphold in righteousness and health our nation with its leaders. Preserve in wisdom and honor Joseph, our president-elect; Kamala, our vice-president-elect; our governor; and all public servants, including our armed forces, police and first responders. Send peace in our time. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O God, behold in mercy all for whom we pray and hold in our hearts. Bring healing, comfort, strength, patience and certainty to all in need. Receive our thanks for Your constant watch and merciful kindness. In every sorrow and every joy, do not let our eyes be drawn from the greater marvel of Your kindness in Christ Jesus, by whose grace and forgiveness alone we receive every blessing. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Holy Lord, renew the gift of Your Holy Spirit to all who commune this day. Work in us true contrition to lament and abandon our sins, and so to come in confident faith to eat Your Son's body and drink His blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

- P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
C **Amen.**

Offering

All members of this congregation take this opportunity give back to the Lord in thankfulness for what He has done for us and in trust of His continued provisions for all that we need for this body and life.

During this time, our offering basket is located in the of the Sanctuary.

Visitors are welcome to give, but should not feel compelled to do so.

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

LSB 160

- P** The Lord be with you.

- C** **And also with you.**

- P** Lift up your hearts.

- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

- C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

Pax Domini

LSB 163

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

- C** Amen.

☐ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Please be seated

Distribution

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first
and then distribute them to those who come to receive.*

Distribution Hymns

“Your Table I Approach”
LSB 628

1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;

Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

- 5 O grant, most blessèd Lord,
That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.

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“Take My Life and Let It Be”

LSB 783



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease-less praise.
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

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Please stand

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn to Depart

“Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling”

LSB 827



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus call - ing, “Who will go and work to - day?
2 Some take up His task in morn - ing, To their Lord re - spond - ing soon;
3 For as rain and snow from heav - en Wa - ter seeds in dust - y soil,
4 Hear - ken to the Lord whose com - ing Marks the time when grace shall end,



Fields are white and har-vests wait-ing—Who will bear the sheaves a-way?”
 Some are called in heat of mid-day, Oth-ers late in af-ter-noon;
 Caus-ing them to bud and flow-er, Giv-ing bread to those who toil;
 When with His an-gel-ic reap-ers He in glo-ry shall de-scend.



Loud and long the Mas-ter call-eth; Rich re-ward He of-fers thee.
 E-ven as the sun is set-ting, Some are sent in-to the fields,
 So the Lord sends forth His prom-ise, Words of life and joy and peace—
 Soon the night, the fi-nal har-vest; Soon the time for work shall cease.



Who will an-swer, glad-ly say-ing, “Here am I, send me, send me”?
 There to gath-er in the boun-ty That God’s Word so rich-ly yields.
 Nev-er void to Him re-turn-ing, Bear-ing fruit with great in-crease.
 Then the souls His grace has gar-nered Shall en-joy His Sab-bath peace.

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This Week at a Glance

Today: 9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev. Bob Frank (masks required)
10:15-10:45 am Sunday School (masks recommended)
10:15 am Voters' Meeting in Sanctuary (masks recommended)
11:00 am Worship with Holy Communion led Rev. Bob Frank (masks optional)

Wednesday: 4:30-6 pm Confirmation in the Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday: **Scrip Orders Due**
9:00 am Worship masks required)
10:15-10:45 am Sunday School / Adult Bible Class (masks recommended)
11:00 am Worship (masks optional)

Announcements

January 17, 2021

Lutheran Witness Magazine

Copies of the Lutheran Witness magazine are located in the information rack in the Narthex. Feel free to take a copy for yourself and one to share with a friend.

Are you missing something?

We have a lost and found tub located on top of the coat rack in the kitchen, marked "Lost and Found". If you are looking for those red glasses or that stocking hat that was left in your pew, please check in the Lost and Found box. Any questions, please see Theta or Kendra.

January Worship Services

We will continue to hold 2 Divine Services throughout the month of January at 9a and 11a. Masks (covering both the nose and the mouth) will be required for the 9a service with social distancing guidelines followed and masks are optional during the 11a service with social distancing guidelines followed.

Sanctity of Life Month

This month marks "Sanctity of Life Month" in many Christian congregations around the country. January is chosen because this is the month when the landmark Supreme Court decision, Roe vs. Wade, made abortion legal throughout the country. Since that decision was handed down, abortions have continued to rise at an alarming rate, to approximately 4,000 abortions a day in this country! Obviously, Scripture tells us that this is against God's will and so the Church, along with its members, work tirelessly to bring about change and to foster a respect for human life. While it may seem that we, as individuals, cannot effect much change, working together as the Church, we can. This happens in many ways, but definitely by supporting organizations that minister to fathers and mothers who find themselves considering an abortion. In our area, the Women's Care Clinic in Danville operates such a ministry. Not only do they minister to these soon-to-be parents and help them reach the decision to bring that baby to term, they then work tirelessly to support those parents as they seek to raise their child, by meeting some very physical needs.

In support of their ministry, we will be collecting diapers (size 4 and 5) and wipes this month that will be donated to the Women's Care Clinic. You may drop your donation in the play yard, located in the Narthex at any time during this month.

As we focus on the sanctity of human life this month, let us never forget that being pro-life goes far beyond just getting the baby to be born, but it means being pro-life throughout all of life, from the womb to the grave. Thus, you will find on the rack located in the Narthex numerous resources that will assist you in that important task.

Voters' Meeting Today

Our quarterly Voters' Assembly meeting will be held immediately following the 9a Divine Service on Sunday, January 17, 2021. Please be present to help chart the course of this congregation as we seek to bring glory to God in all that we do. Remember, all communicant members, age 18 and above, are eligible to vote.

Scrip Orders - January 24

Order forms are available on the informational rack in the Narthex, on the order form you will note that the youth group will receive a certain percentage of the purchase amount of each gift card, ranging from 1% up to 20%. Order forms and payment are due to the Church Office by **Sunday, January 24, 2021**. Gift Cards will arrive and be distributed that same week. Please consider supporting the youth (and future leaders of the congregation) in this simple way!

Pastoral Vacancy

During our pastoral vacancy, pastoral care is available during this time for those who desire it. Pastor Tim Hahn (Trinity - Cissna Park and St. John - Ash Grove) has agreed to be on-call for all urgent pastoral needs. If an urgent need arises during this time, please contact one of the Elders (Jon Goldenstein, Dean Lingley, Doug Morgeson or Bob Storm) and they will contact the on-call Pastor.

Focus on the Family

If you and your family would like to sponsor one or more of the Focus on the Family monthly inserts, the signup sheet is located on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The cost is \$24, please indicate on your envelope or check "Focus on the Family". If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kendra.

Streaming with Our Savior

As a reminder, we will be streaming both services, 9am and 11am, each Sunday. Visit our website at oursaviormilford.com, click the Media tab, Live Audio Stream. If you have any questions, please contact Kendra at kendra@oursaviormilford.com.

Bulletin and Newsletter Deadlines

If you have an announcement for the weekly bulletin, newsletter, or prayer request, please send to the church office by this Wednesday at 10a to kendra@oursaviormilford.com.

Lutherans for Life Quote

"Abortion isn't something happening in another state or county or city. It is happening right in our backyards. And now we know many [who have had abortions] attend churches regularly and are sitting in our church pews looking for answers. May the Lord provide the answers needed to send a message of hope and forgiveness as well as proclaiming abortion to not be in God's will." *Virginia J. Flo, Minnesota Regional Director & National Conference Director for Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Prayer List

January 17 – January 23

Those celebrating a birthday:

Marvin Wright Saturday

Those celebrating an anniversary:

Gene and Marilyn Reeves Saturday (50 years)

Those who mourn:

Family and friends of Theo Huls – 9 month old friend of the Josh Seyfert Family

All those affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic

We especially remember in our prayers those suffering from the virus,
those mourning the death of loved ones at the hands of the
virus, and all those who are working to treat those affected by the virus.

Those suffering from cancer:

Norman Anderson – father of Karry Hines and grandfather of Emily and Jessica Hines
Lindsay Boyden - friend of Brenda Mowrey
Charlotte Brammer – sister of Hazel Carter and aunt to Patty Bruens
Connie Bruns – friend of Al and Linda Kellerhals
Jeff Cavitt –friend of many within the community
Payton Ens – acquaintance of Alan and Suzie Smith
Don Estes – husband of Dianne Estes
Tim Evans – brother-in-law of Bob Storm
Pat Gorski – step-mother of Olivia Harms
Cheryl Hastings – friend of Erica Anderson
Lisa High – friend of Becky Hiles
Adam Hubner – grandson of Donald and LaVerne Hubner
Kendra Howard – niece of Doug Benner
Bruce Johnston – friend of Patty Bruens
Richard (Dick) Knake – cousin of Carolyn Reed, Jim Knake and Cindy Maro
Brenda Knuth – mother of Craig Smith
Shawn Lane – Milford High School Volleyball Coach
Greg Luecke – friend of Randall and Gloria Schleef
Marsha Thompson – acquaintance of Beth Smith

Those requesting your general and ongoing prayers:

Rev. Doug Minton and family – as they begin the transition to Our Savior Lutheran Church
Bill Adsit – uncle of Doug Benner, health concerns
Erica Anderson – OSLC member, health concerns
Lew Alwardt - friend of Larry and Nancy Tobeck, health concerns
Cora Armatrout –OSLC member, health concerns
Becky Bellman - friend of Cora Armatrout and Becky Hiles
Taylor Breyman – granddaughter of Dennis and Sheila Selk, recovering from ankle surgery
Hazel Carter –OSLC member, health concerns
Nick Costello - husband of Diane Costello, health concerns
Todd Davis - friend of Patty Bruens, heart issues
Janet Doyle – friend of Patty Bruens, health concerns
Bernean Franke – mother of Glen Franke, health concerns
Ione Harms – friend of Dave and Ethel Lucht, health concerns
Becky Hiles – daughter of Cora Armatrout, health issues
Dave Lucht – OSLC member, recovering from surgery
Ethel Lucht – OSLC member, health concerns
Joanne McFarland – sister of Cora Armatrout, recovering from a fall
Danny Manullang – brother-in-law to Doug Benner, upcoming surgery
Our Savior's College Students – as they return to classes for spring semester
Bertha Parsons – OSLC member
Carol Ragel - friend of Cora Armatrout, suffering from health issues
Kristin Randall - friend of Patty Bruens, suffering from a heart condition
Kierci Schaumburg - step-daughter of Doug Benner, suffering from several health issues
Tyrone Schaumburg - cousin of Mike Hines, Parkinson's
Randall Schleef – OSLC member
Kay Snyder – sister of Cora Armatrout, recovering from an automobile accident
Larry Tobeck – OSLC member, health concerns
Diana Webster - friend of Cora Armatrout
Bailey York - friend of Joyce Williams, awaiting tests results for potential kidney transplant
Sharon York – friend of Joyce Williams

**Those serving in our Armed Forces and our local Law Enforcement,
especially those connected to the OSLC family:**

Nate Bushong – OSLC member, son of Cory and Mary Bushong, serving with the U.S. Army

Alex Janssen – son of Sara Janssen, serving with the U.S. Army

Jay Kindle – OSLC member, son of Dean and Laurie Lingley, serving with the U.S. Navy

Brandon Legan – member of our Comfort Dog Ministry Team, Iroquois County Sheriff's
Deputy and Milford Police Department

Corey Moore –OSLC member, son of Kevin and Kasey Moore, U.S. Marine Corp

Scott Muench – husband of Shannon Muench, Watseka Police Officer

Kaleb Waldbeser – friend of Bob & Donna Flesher, serving with the U.S. Marine Corp

Those serving in the Seminary:

Seminarian Luke, Elowsky, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO

Seminarian, Joshua Schiff, Concordia Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN

Those serving in the Mission Field:

Rev. Joel Fritsche, his wife, Clarion, and sons, Viktor, Sergei and Andrei, our “adopted” international missionary,
currently serving in the Dominican Republic

