



# WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS!

**LIVING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH** welcomes you as you join with us in worship this day. May the Holy Spirit bless you with the message you hear from God's Word, the prayers, the hymns, and the fellowship we share with you. Here is some information you might find helpful:

- Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services. If you need to step out for a moment with your child, a Family Room is located right outside the Sanctuary doors.
- Changing Tables are located in the Restrooms.
- Please fill out an attendance sheet in the pad on the chairs and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. We ask guests and members to fill them out each week. Guests: We promise we will not bombard you with emails or calls, but this information is helpful for staying in touch.
- Please let us know if we can help you in any way.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** *We are very glad that you have joined us today for this worship service as we hear the Word of God and receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This church is in fellowship with other congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. As such, we believe and practice the biblical teaching that we receive the true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and the wine of the Sacrament (Matthew 26, Mark 14 and Luke 22). If you have a different understanding of Communion or are still learning about this biblical teaching, we love you enough to ask you not to receive Holy Communion this day (1 Corinthians 11). However, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing at the time of Communion. If later you have questions about this or any other teachings, the pastor would be very pleased to talk with you.*

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## Forever Blessed

How blessed you are! Yes, you! Right here, right now, the Lord Jesus is ready to speak His blessings over you. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied" (Matthew 5:6). Jesus promises to satisfy you as you lay your sins at His feet and receive the blessing of His forgiveness this day. But not only are you blessed right here and now, you are forever blessed! "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8). One day, Jesus will wonderfully bless you and all His saints by welcoming you into His presence forever. God grant you the heart to receive and share all the blessings He so freely gives.

## Pre-Service Music

### Welcome/Announcements

### We Call Upon the Name of the Lord

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

### Hymn: "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

LSB 822

- 1 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
To God the Father let us bring  
Our songs of adoration.  
To Him through everlasting days  
Be worship, honor, pow'r, and praise,  
Whose hand sustains creation.  
Singing, ringing:  
Holy, holy,  
God is holy;  
Spread the story  
Of our God, the Lord of glory.
- 2 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
Unto the Lamb of God we sing,  
In whom we are elected.  
He bought His Church with His own blood,  
He cleansed her in that blessed flood,  
And as His bride selected.

- Holy, holy  
Is our union  
And communion.  
His befriending  
Gives us joy and peace unending.
- 3 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
Unto the Holy Ghost we sing  
For our regeneration.  
The saving faith in us He wrought  
And us unto the Bridegroom brought,  
Made us His chosen nation.  
Glory! Glory!  
Joy eternal,  
Bliss supernal;  
There is manna  
And an endless, glad hosanna.

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### Call of Confession

Matthew 5:8

**P** Blessed to be in God's presence, let us confess our sins to Him.

*We take a moment for silent prayers of confession.*

**P** Let us pray.

**G** Help me, Lord, for I am in great need! My sins are too many to count. My burdens are too heavy to carry. I call out to You for mercy! I ask for Your forgiveness, full and free. As the Father who loves me and sent Jesus to die for me, forgive me of my sins. By Your Holy Spirit, create in me a pure heart that I may worship You in the company of all Your saints. As Your Word has promised, bless me as Your own. Amen.

## Lord, Have Mercy

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the blessing of peace from above and for the salvation of all the saints, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the peace of all creation, for the well-being of the communion of saints on earth, and for the unity of all those blessed by Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

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

**C** Lord, have mercy.

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

**C** Amen.

## God Forgives Our Sins

**P** “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.” You have been blessed by Jesus with the purity of heart that comes from sins forgiven. Now we see God with eyes of faith; one day, we shall see Him face-to-face. This is all because of His mercy, which He has poured out upon you and all who trust in Him. As your pastor, it is my privilege to announce this grace to you and, as He has commanded, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn: “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”

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4 Alleluia! Let praises ring!  
Unto our triune God we sing;  
Blest be His name forever!  
With angel hosts let us adore  
And sing His praises evermore  
For all His grace and favor!  
Singing, ringing:  
Holy, holy,  
God is holy;  
Spread the story  
Of our God, the Lord of glory!

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## Greeting

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical Body of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

**C** You bless us now by Your Word and Spirit.

**P** You will bless us for eternity with joy in Your presence.

**C** Grant us hearts to receive and share all the blessings You so freely give;

**P** through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## + God Speaks to Us Through His Word +

### God Speaks to Us Through His Prophet

Revelation 7:9–17

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

“Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.  
They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.  
For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of living water,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Scripture Video “Scars in Heaven”

### Casting Crowns

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### God Speaks to Us Through His Apostle

1 John 3:1–3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## God Speaks to Us Through His Son

Matthew 5:1–12

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

**G** Glory to You, O Lord.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## Children's Message

Janice Stille

### Hymn: “For All the Saints”

LSB 677

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

△ 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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God Speaks to Us Through Pastor Bailes:

"Blessings Found in the Scars"

Matthew 5:1-12

## Nicene Creed

**C** 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 of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

**P** Let us pray for our fellow saints of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

For all the nations of the world, that their leaders see with Your eyes of justice and mercy the needs of their people, and that Your blessed ones represent You among every nation, tribe, people, and language, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Bless us with Your mercy.

**P** For Your Body, the Christian Church on earth, that we see in our service the coming of Your kingdom into our world, and that our love for others reflect the love our Savior has shown to all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Bless us with Your mercy.

**P** For all the families of our congregation, that in seeing the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, and the grieving, we see You in them, and welcome the opportunity to bless others as You have first blessed us, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Bless us with Your mercy.

**P** For all those who grieve the death of those they love, that their hearts be filled with Your peace and their eyes of faith behold You until the day of our reunion at the throne of the Lamb, when we shall see You face-to-face. Lord, today we remember those who have departed, (*names read and bell tolled*), let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Bless us with Your mercy.

**P** For the sick, [*especially . . .*], that they receive Your blessing through the healing that comes by Your power alone, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Bless us with Your mercy.

**P** Into Your care, O Lord, we entrust all for whom we pray, always relying upon Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## We Worship God with Our Offerings

*(Our offerings give us an opportunity to give thanks to God for the many ways He has blessed us. Members and regular attendees support God's mission and ministry as He works through this congregation. Guests are welcome to give an offering, but are not expected to do so. Psalm 54:6; 116:12-14, 17)*

### Hymn: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

LSB 733

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| 1 O God, our help in ages past,<br>Our hope for years to come,<br>Our shelter from the stormy blast,<br>And our eternal home.     | 4 A thousand ages in Thy sight<br>Are like an evening gone,<br>Short as the watch that ends the night<br>Before the rising sun.  |
| 2 Under the shadow of Thy throne<br>Thy saints have dwelt secure;<br>Sufficient is Thine arm alone,<br>And our defense is sure.   | 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,<br>Soon bears us all away;<br>We fly forgotten as a dream<br>Dies at the op'ning day.       |
| 3 Before the hills in order stood<br>Or earth received her frame,<br>From everlasting Thou art God,<br>To endless years the same. | 6 O God, our help in ages past,<br>Our hope for years to come,<br>Be Thou our guard while troubles last<br>And our eternal home! |

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### + Our Lord Comes to Us in His Body and His Blood +

- 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.

### Hymn: "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"

LSB 941

1 We praise You and ac - knowl - edge You, O God, to be the Lord,  
2 The band of the a - pos - tles in glo - ry sing Your praise;

The Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing, by all the earth a - dored.  
The fel - low - ship of proph - ets their death-less voic - es raise.

To You all an - gel pow - ers cry a - loud, the heav - ens sing,  
The mar - tyrs of Your king - dom, a great and no - ble throng,



The cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim their prais - es to You bring:  
Sing with the ho - ly Church through-out all the world this song:

“O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
“O all - ma - jes - tic Fa - ther, Your true and on - ly Son,

Your maj - es - ty and glo - ry fill the heav - ens and the earth!”  
And Ho - ly Spir - it, Com - fort - er— for - ev - er Three in One!”

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## 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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Proclamation of Christ

- 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.

## Peace of the Lord

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

**C** **Amen.**

## Distribution

### Hymn: “O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee”

LSB 632

- 1 O Jesus, blessèd Lord, to Thee  
My heartfelt thanks forever be,  
Who hast so lovingly bestowed  
On me Thy body and Thy blood.
- 2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:  
What wealth is come to me this day!  
My Savior dwells within my heart:  
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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### Hymn: “Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread”

LSB 625

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| 1 Lord Jesus Christ, life-giving bread,<br>May I in grace possess You.<br>Let me with holy food be fed,<br>In hunger I address You.<br>Prepare me well for You, O Lord,<br>And, humbly by my prayer implored,<br>Give me Your grace and mercy.       | 3 O bread of heav’n, my soul’s delight,<br>For full and free remission<br>I come with prayer before Your sight<br>In sorrow and contrition.<br>Your righteousness, Lord, cover me<br>That I receive You worthily,<br>Assured of Your full pardon. |
| 2 To pastures green, Lord, safely guide,<br>To restful waters lead me;<br>Your table well for me provide,<br>Your wounded hand now feed me.<br>Though weary, sinful, sick, and weak,<br>Refuge in You alone I seek,<br>To share Your cup of healing. | 4 I do not merit favor, Lord,<br>My weight of sin would break me;<br>In all my guilty heart’s discord,<br>O Lord, do not forsake me.<br>In my distress this comforts me<br>That You receive me graciously,<br>O Christ, my Lord of mercy!         |

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### Post-Communion Hymn: “In Thee Is Gladness”

LSB 818

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| 1 In Thee is gladness<br>Amid all sadness,<br>Jesus, sunshine of my heart.<br>By Thee are given<br>The gifts of heaven,<br>Thou the true Redeemer art.<br>Our souls Thou wakest,<br>Our bonds Thou breakest; | Who trusts Thee surely<br>Has built securely;<br>He stands forever: Alleluia!<br>Our hearts are pining<br>To see Thy shining,<br>Dying or living<br>To Thee are cleaving;<br>Naught can us sever: Alleluia! |
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## Post-Communion Thanksgiving

- P** Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** Amen.

## Closing Sentences

LSB 677:1

**P** For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
**C** **Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,**

**P** Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
**C** **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Blessings

**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: “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

LSB 700

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heav’n, to earth come down!  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,  
All Thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation,  
Enter ev’ry trembling heart.
- 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit  
Into ev’ry troubled breast;  
Let us all in Thee inherit;  
Let us find Thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty.
- 4 Finish then Thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see Thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in Thee,  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heav’n we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

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