



# 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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## Commemoration of September 11, 2001

Today is a somewhat contemplative service as we remember the lives lost 21 years ago in our country. While doing so, we see how God works in and through all the events of our lives, both individually and corporately, to remind us of his sovereignty. As Paul reminds us in Romans 8, nothing “will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

**Pre-Service Music: *Enigma Variations: Variation IX (“Nimrod”)***

Sir Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

## Welcome/Announcements

### We Call Upon our God

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

**C** Amen.

### Hymn: “God Bless Our Native Land”

LSB 965

**1** God bless our native land;  
Firm may she ever stand  
Through storm and night.  
When the wild tempests rave,  
Ruler of wind and wave,  
Do Thou our country save  
By Thy great might.

**2** So shall our prayers arise  
To God above the skies;  
On Him we wait.  
Thou who art ever nigh,  
Guarding with watchful eye,  
To Thee aloud we cry:  
God save the state!

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### Confession and Forgiveness

**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 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.

### ♪To God On High Be Glory♪

LSB 204

**C** 1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus’ birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—

Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

### Greeting and Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### + Service of the Word +

#### Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 3:1–8

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

Scripture Video: "Our Prayer for 9/11"

Motion Worship

## Epistle

Romans 8:31–39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Holy Gospel

Luke 13:1–9

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

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

There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

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

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

## Children's Message

### Hymn of the Day

LSB 762 (tune of 810)

- 1 There is a time for ev'rything,  
A time for all that life may bring:  
A time to plant, a time to reap,  
A time to laugh, a time to weep,  
A time to heal, a time to slay,  
A time to build where rubble lay,  
A time to die, a time to mourn,  
A time for joy and to be born,
- 2 A time to hold, then be alone,  
A time to gather scattered stone,

A time to break, a time to mend,  
A time to search and then to end,  
A time to keep, then throw away,  
A time to speak, then nothing say,  
A time for war till hatreds cease,  
A time for love, a time for peace.

- 3 Eternal Lord, Your wisdom sees  
And fathoms all life's tragedies;  
You know our grief, You hear our sighs—  
In mercy, dry our tear-stained eyes.  
From evil times, You bring great good;  
Beneath the cross, we've safely stood.  
Though dimly now life's path we trace,  
One day we shall see face to face.

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### Sermon "Your Time and His Time"

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

### Hymn of the Day

LSB 762 (tune of 810)

- 4 Before all time had yet begun,  
You, Father, planned to give Your Son;  
Lord Jesus Christ, with timeless grace,  
You have redeemed our time-bound race;  
O Holy Spirit, Paraclete,  
Your timely work in us complete;  
Blest Trinity, Your praise we sing—  
There is a time for ev'rything!

### 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

Pastor: Let us begin our time of prayer with a moment of remembrance, calling to mind the steadfast love of the Lord in a time of great national tribulation and asking for protection from all that

would harm us.

(a time of remembrance and reflection is observed.)

**Pastor:** Gracious God, You are the source of every lasting security. We bless You for the continuance of stability in a time of great national trial and ask that our nation be spared from any such act of terrorism and destruction in times to come. Lord in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer**

**Pastor:** In this time of remembrance we call to mind the innocent victims of September 11, 2001, in New York City, in Washington, D.C., and in Pennsylvania, and the emergency responders who bravely served in the challenging situations of that day.

(A time of remembrance and reflection is observed.)

**Pastor:** Lord of all time and place, we remember those innocent victims of terrorism whose earthly lives ended on September 11<sup>th</sup> in three different places in our nation. May their memories among us remain and their lives not be forgotten. We also remember the rescue workers who gave their lives that day seeking to assist the victims of the tragedy. May their examples of bravery and sacrificial concern for others serve to inspire each of us as we live out our lives in these times. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** In this time of right remembrance, we commend to God's continuing care the families of those who died on that September day, asking that their lasting grief might be eased.

(a time of remembrance and reflection is observed.)

**Pastor:** Lord of the ages, the weight of grief can be unending. Surround them with caring families, friends, and other caretakers so that their lives may experience abiding comfort and renewed sense of hope as the years pass. Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** In this time of remembrance we reflect on the blessings that God has granted and continues to grant us through our nation, praying for our leaders and asking for the good and gracious will of God to be done among us. This day, especially, we lift up in prayer all those who serve among us as first responders in our community. Their daily sacrifices and willingness to protect us against all manmade and natural peril is much appreciated.

(A time of remembrance and reflection is observed.)

**Pastor:** Lord of all nations and Ruler of creation, we thank You for our strong nation. Endow people here with a sense of goodness and rightness, that justice may prevail and that our lives may know true peace. Resolve those situations that still seek a remedy and take from us any lingering sense of unwarranted antagonism toward others. Continue to bless and to preserve the lives of those that serve among us as first responders. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer**

**Pastor:** As believers in Jesus Christ as Lord and as people of faith who trust in the abiding power of the Holy Spirit at work in our lives and in our world, we ask for a renewed sense that indeed all things work together for good to those who loves God.

(A time of remembrance and reflection is observed.)

**Pastor:** God, our Father in heaven, teach us to number our days rightly that we may grow in wisdom, in

faith, and in hope. Today we pray also for those that are in need.... May our right remembrance of things past lead us to place our future and the future of our land in Your hands, confident of Your love and care for us and for all creation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us Your peace. 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)*

#### **Offertory: When Peace, like a River**

LSB 763

- 1** When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul. Refrain
- ref** It is well (It is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul.
- 2** Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. Refrain
- 4** And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul. Refrain

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### **+ Service of the Sacrament +**

- 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.

#### **♪Holy is the Lord♪**

LSB 178

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### **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."

### **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**

LSB 180

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

**C** **Amen.**

### **Distribution**

### **Prelude on *Abide with Me***

arranged by Joshua Pillows

### **Hymn: "Abide with Me"**

LSB 878

- 1 **Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.**
- 2 **I need Thy presence ev'ry passing hour;  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.**
- 3 **QUARTET**
- 4 **QUARTET**
- 5 **I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still if Thou abide with me!**
- 6 **Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

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**Post-Communion Meditation:**  
**Sonata VI: “Vater Unser im Himmelreich”: VII. “Amen”**

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

**Benediction**

LSB 183

- 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.
- G** Amen.

**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!
- 6** The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
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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**WE DEPART IN THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

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