



# 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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## The Blessings of the Saints

In our Confessions, we say that we remember the saints so we may give thanks for them and their witness, so we might be strengthened by their example, and so we might be moved to follow them as they followed Christ. This is not about hero worship, but it is about recognizing the faithful who went before us, who trusted in Christ, and who were received into His mercy. It is about being encouraged as we fight the good fight here and now. It is also about looking to the great reunion when finally all the faithful will be together forever in the marriage supper of the Lamb without end.

## 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: “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,  
Raise the glad strain: “Alleluia!”  
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow’rs,  
Virtues, archangels, angels’ choirs:  
“Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:  
“Alleluia, alleluia!”  
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,

LSB 670 (vs. 1, 3-4)

All saints triumphant, raise the song:  
“Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

△ 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
Supernal anthems echoing:  
“Alleluia, alleluia!”  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One:  
“Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”

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## Confession and Absolution

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**G** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

## Hymn: “Before the Throne of God Above”

LSB 574 (vs. 1-2, 4) tune to 832

1 Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong, a perfect plea:  
A great High Priest, whose name is Love,  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.

2 My name is graven on His hands,  
My name is written on His heart;  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

4 Because the sinless Savior died,  
My sinful soul is counted free;  
For God, the just, is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me.

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## Greeting

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

O God of majesty and might, whom the saints and angels delight to worship on high, we give You thanks for the faithful who have gone before us and now live in Your nearer presence. Give us not only the blessing of their witness, but the grace to live as faithfully within our own time and amid our own challenges. Bring us at last with them into the fulfillment of that hope of perfection that we will know when together we stand before Your unveiled glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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 +

### First Reading

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.

**G** Thanks be to God.

## Video Scripture Song: "Is He Worthy?"

Playback Media

### 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.

**G** 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

Cheryl Bailes

### God Speaks to Us Through Pastor Bailes: "Saints Alive!" 1 John 3:1-3

#### Hymn: "For All the Saints"

LSB 677 (vs. 1-3, 6)

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!

- 3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold!  
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!

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## 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 remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for they were created by God to offer Him praise and thanksgiving forever. God gave new life to them through Holy Baptism, nourished them in the company of His people at His Holy Table, and in His mercy summoned them to His eternal presence so that they continue to serve Him forever.

*[At this time individuals who have died since last All Saints' Day are remembered by name.  
As each name is read, a bell is tolled as a sign of remembrance and of victory in Christ.]*

- P** In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before You, O Lord, those relatives, friends, and fellow members of this congregation who have gone before us in faith. We offer thanksgiving for the gift of faith and hold fast to the certainty of Your promise that where You are, there Your servants shall be also.

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. We pray for the Church, asking that its members grow in love for You and for one another. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** hear our prayer.

- P** Celebrating our lives together as saints, we pray for the fellowship we enjoy as God's holy people, asking that You strengthen us to bring the sacrifices of pure hearts and worship God in His sanctuary with joy. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Thankful for the saints among us in these days, we pray for those who serve in leadership positions in our Synod, district, and local congregation, asking God to bless their work among us as they set examples of devotion and dedication in Jesus' name. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Confident that Your care for the saints knows no limits, Lord, we make our petitions for the sick, the sorrowing, and all who this day are in need of our prayers, [*especially* . . .]. Answer their petitions according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Reflecting on the journey of life we make together as the saints below, we pray for the youngest among us, the infants and children, and also for the most senior of saints, those who have been blessed with extended lives on earth. Give us love to cherish the company of all God's people and seek to bring a sense of caring to all those around us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** With thankfulness for the land in which we live, we ask Your blessing on our nation, its leaders, and all who work for security and a sense of community in our world and in our lives. Grant that we cherish the freedoms we enjoy and do all in our power to maintain the public good and promote peace and harmony. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, 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)*

### **Offertory: Excerpt from *New World Symphony***

Anton Dvořák (1841-1904)

### **+ 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: “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”

LSB 803( vs. 1)

- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,  
Praising Thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

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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 ~~†~~ 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** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

## 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.

## Hymn: “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”

LSB 627

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| 1 Jesus Christ, our blessèd Savior,<br>Turned away God's wrath forever;<br>By His bitter grief and woe<br>He saved us from the evil foe.        | 4 Praise the Father, who from heaven<br>To His own this food has given,<br>Who, to mend what we have done,<br>Gave into death His only Son.      |
| 2 As His pledge of love undying,<br>He, this precious food supplying,<br>Gives His body with the bread,<br>And with the wine the blood He shed. | 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken<br>That this food is to be taken<br>By the sick who are distressed,<br>By hearts that long for peace and rest. |
| 3 Jesus here Himself is sharing;<br>Heed then how you are preparing,<br>For if you do not believe,<br>His judgment then you shall receive.      | 6 Agony and bitter labor<br>Were the cost of God's high favor;<br>Do not come if you suppose<br>You need not Him who died and rose.              |



**7 Christ says: “Come, all you that labor,  
And receive My grace and favor:  
Those who feel no pain or ill  
Need no physician’s help or skill.**

**8 “For what purpose was My dying  
If not for your justifying?  
And what use this precious food  
If you yourself were pure and good?”**

**9 If your heart this truth professes  
And your mouth your sin confesses,  
You will be your Savior’s guest,  
Be at His banquet truly blest.**

**10 Let this food your faith so nourish  
That its fruit of love may flourish  
And your neighbor learn from you  
How much God’s wondrous love can do.**

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## **Hymn: “Oh, What Their Joy”**

LSB 675 (vs. 1-3) tune of 917

- 1 Oh, what their joy and their glory must be,  
Those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see!  
Crowns for the valiant, to weary ones rest;  
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.**
- 2 In new Jerusalem joy shall be found,  
Blessings of peace shall forever abound;  
Wish and fulfillment are not severed there,  
Nor the things prayed for come short of the prayer.**
- 3 We, where no trouble distraction can bring,  
Safely the anthems of Zion shall sing;  
While for Your grace, Lord, their voices of praise  
Your blessed people shall evermore raise.**

Text: Peter Abelard, 1079–1142; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt.  
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## **Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

- P** Let us pray.  
Merciful Father, grace and blessing surround us, and the lives of the company of the saints give testament to Your mercy. Guard what You have begun in us at our Baptism, that we may be a blessing to those who come after us, and at the last, reunite us together before Your throne on high, where there is no night, no sorrow, and no death anymore; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** Amen.

## **Blessings Towards the Lord**

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- G** Thanks be to God.

## **Benediction**

- 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: “Jerusalem the Golden”

[CWS 728] Thaxted is tune

- 1 Jerusalem the golden,  
With milk and honey blest—  
The sight of it refreshes  
The weary and oppressed:  
I know not, oh, I know not  
What joys await us there,  
What radiancy of glory,  
What bliss beyond compare:  
To sing the hymn unending  
With all the martyr throng,  
Amidst the halls of Zion  
Resounding full with song.
- 2 Oh, sweet and blessed country,  
The home of God’s elect!  
Oh, sweet and blessed country  
That eager hearts expect,  
Where they who with their leader  
Have conquered in the fight  
Forever and forever  
Are clad in robes of white.  
In mercy, Jesus, bring us  
To that dear land of rest  
Where sings the host of heaven  
Your glorious name to bless.
- 3 The Christ is ever with them;  
The daylight is serene.  
The pastures of the blessed  
Are ever rich and green.  
There is the throne of David;  
And there from care released,  
The shout of them that triumph,  
The song of them that feast.  
To God enthroned in glory  
The Church’s voices blend,  
The Lamb forever blessed,  
The Light that knows no end.

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## SENDING: LIVING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

- P** As we go out this day, let us remember our mission is...
- C** Making an eternal impact today through the love of Jesus Christ.

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