



# 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. 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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## All Saints' Sunday

Today is bittersweet. Bitter, because some of us will be remembering someone we love who died recently, and we are still grieving. Yet sweet, because that loved one was also loved by God, redeemed by Jesus, and lives in that place Jesus went ahead to prepare. We grieve, as Paul says, but not “as others do who have no hope” (1 Thessalonians 4:13). We also hear the words of Jesus in the Beatitudes, where Jesus blesses people not usually considered blessed: the poor in spirit, the mourning, the meek, peacemakers, the persecuted. The broken circumstances of your life do not define you entirely; Jesus defines you as blessed because He has taken hold of you in love and mercy and will never let you go. Blessed are you.

### 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.

**C** Amen.

### Opening Sentences

**P** Lord, on this All Saints' Day, we gather in Your name to remember and rejoice.

**C** We remember the ones we love—ones loved also by You.

**P** We remember how You embraced them, showed them grace, and filled them with faith.

**C** We remember with heavy hearts. We remember with thankful hearts.

**P** We rejoice in the resurrection life promised in and through Jesus.

**C** We rejoice that Jesus has overcome death forever.

**P** We rejoice that You are God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—who will never leave us nor forsake us.

**C** Amen.

### Hymn: Sing with All the Saints in Glory

1. Sing with all the saints in glory,  
Sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,  
To the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking;  
Soon the storms of time shall cease;  
In God's likeness we awaken,  
Knowing everlasting peace.
2. Oh, what glory, far exceeding  
All that eye has yet perceived!  
Holiest hearts for ages pleading  
Never that full joy conceived.

LSB 671 (tune of 826)

- God has promised, Christ prepares it;  
There on high our welcome waits.  
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it,  
Christ has passed the eternal gates.
3. Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices:  
Jesus lives who once was dead.  
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!  
Child of God, lift up your head!  
Life eternal! Oh, what wonders  
Crowd on faith; what joy unknown,  
When, amid earth's closing thunders,  
Saints shall stand before the throne!

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## Confession and Absolution

1 John 3:1

**P** In Baptism, God welcomes us into the family of Christ and embraces us with His love. Welcomed and embraced, we are free to confess our sins, trusting the power of Christ to lead us to newness of life.

**C** We confess, good Lord, that we have sinned against You and our neighbors in thought, word, and deed. We have hungered and thirsted for unworthy things. Our hearts are not right within us. Forgive us, O God, for the sake of Jesus, our Brother.

**P** Today we hear these beautiful words from John: “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.”

As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen. Thanks be to God for our Baptism into Christ!

## Hymn of Praise: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

LSB 549

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| 1. All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!<br>Let angels prostrate fall;<br>Bring forth the royal diadem<br>And crown Him Lord of all.<br>Bring forth the royal diadem<br>And crown Him Lord of all. | 4. Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,<br>Whom David Lord did call,<br>The God incarnate, man divine,<br>And crown Him Lord of all.<br>The God incarnate, man divine,<br>And crown Him Lord of all. |
| 2. Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,<br>Who from His altar call;<br>Extol the stem of Jesse's rod<br>And crown Him Lord of all.<br>Extol the stem of Jesse's rod<br>And crown Him Lord of all.  | 7. Oh, that with yonder sacred throng<br>We at His feet may fall!<br>We'll join the everlasting song<br>And crown Him Lord of all.<br>We'll join the everlasting song<br>And crown Him Lord of all. |

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## Greeting

**V** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**V** Let us pray.

When we are poor in spirit,

**C** You bless us.

**V** When we mourn,

**C** You bless us.

**V** When we are meek,

**C** You bless us.

**V** When we hunger and thirst for righteousness,

**C** You bless us.

**V** When we show mercy,

**C** You bless us.

**V** When we are heartbroken,

**C** **You bless us.**

**V** When we make peace,

**C** **You bless us.**

**V** When we are persecuted for Your sake,

**C** **You bless us.**

**V** Your blessing abounds in all circumstances. Guide us to be a blessing to the people around us. Fill our hearts with peace as we remember those who have gone before us; 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 ✠**

### **God Speaks to Us Through John on Patmos**

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.”

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **Choir: “Shall We Gather At the River”**

Robert Lowry; arr. Russell Robinson

### **God Speaks to Us Through the Apostle John**

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.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## God Speaks to Us Through His Son

Matthew 5:1–12

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

**C** 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.”

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

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

## Children's Message

Vicar Tim Douglas

### Hymn of the Day: Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

LSB 670

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| 1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,<br>Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,<br>Raise the glad strain: “Alleluia!”<br>Cry out, dominions, princedoms, pow’rs,<br>Virtues, archangels, angels’ choirs:<br>“Alleluia, alleluia!<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!” | Most gracious, magnify the Lord:<br>“Alleluia, alleluia!<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!”   |
| 2. O higher than the cherubim,<br>More glorious than the seraphim,<br>Lead their praises: “Alleluia!”<br>Thou bearer of the eternal Word,   | 3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,<br>Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:<br>“Alleluia, alleluia!”<br>Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,<br>All saints triumphant, raise the song:<br>“Alleluia, alleluia!<br>Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! |

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## Sermon: “You Know”

Revelation 7:13-14

Rev. Michael W. Newman, President of the Texas District, LCMS

## Creed

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  $\pm$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

- V** As loved and redeemed children of God and in communion with all the saints, let the incense of our prayer ascend to God.

*A time of silence.*

- V** That the Church, called from death to life by our Lord Jesus, would follow in the footsteps of all the saints who by God's grace were agents of Christ's life-giving service in the world, and for pastors, church workers, and all people of the Church, that they proclaim and demonstrate the Gospel of our salvation with boldness. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- V** For the leaders of the world and of this nation; for all voters and for those elected, that they will respect the truth of the God-given dignity of every man, woman, and child; for all who serve in the armed forces; for victims of violence and war; and for our enemies, Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- V** For all those in any kind of need, those whom we have named and whom we name before you throne of grace. [*individual petitions...*]. Bring peace to the dying and comfort the bereaved. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- V** For all the households of this congregation, that they be havens of peace and lively places of faith in Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- V** For this holy assembly, that, setting our hope on Christ, we live to the praise of His glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** And now, Lord, in remembrance, we name those who have died in the communion of Your Church during this previous year:

*The bell is tolled after the reading of each name.*

- P** With thanks and praise, along with heavy hearts, we remember these loved ones. Having hope in Christ, we await the day we shall sing our praise reunited with the faithful, gathered before the throne of God. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

- P** Hear us when we call upon You, most merciful Father, and grant us grace to entrust our lives and our world to Your unfailing love, 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)*

## **Offertory of Remembrance**

Organ Sonata No. 6: VI. *Finale*

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

### **✠ 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 acknowledge You, O God to be the Lord,  
The Father Everlasting, by all the earth adored.  
To You all angel powers cry aloud, the heavens sing,  
The cherubim and seraphim their praises to You bring;  
"O holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Your majesty and glory fill the heavens and the earth!"**
- 2. The band of the apostles in glory sing Your praise;  
The fellowship of prophets their deathless voices raise.  
The martyrs of Your kingdom, a great and noble throng,  
Sing with the holy Church throughout all the world this song:  
"O all-majestic Father, Your true and only Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Comforter—forever Three in One!"**

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** God of grace and glory, in love You created us and all living creatures.
- C** You called Abraham and Sarah to follow Your guidance in a confusing world.
- P** You fed the Israelites in the wilderness.
- C** You fed Elijah the prophet in a time of drought.
- P** Now, in the fulness of time, You sent Jesus, our Lord, who now feeds us with His body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins.
- C** Thank You, Lord.
- P** We give You thanks for this gift of Christ's body and blood, shared at this table with angels, archangels, and all the company of heaven. Feed our faith, fill us with Your grace, and guide us by Your Spirit.
- C** Amen.

## Consecration of the Bread and the Wine

- 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.

## 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 (Peace of the Lord)

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

## Distribution Hymn: Jerusalem, My Happy Home

LSB 673 (tune of 710)

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| 1. Jerusalem, my happy home,<br>When shall I come to thee?<br>When shall my sorrows have an end?<br>Thy joys when shall I see?   | 3. Thy gardens and thy gallant walks<br>Continually are green;<br>There grow such sweet and pleasant<br>flow'rs<br>As nowhere else are seen. |
| 2. O happy harbor of the saints,<br>O sweet and pleasant soil!<br>In thee no sorrow may be found,<br>No grief, no care, no toil. | 4. There trees forevermore bear fruit<br>And evermore do spring;<br>There evermore the angels dwell<br>And evermore do sing.                 |

5. Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there  
Around my Savior stand;  
And soon my friends in Christ below  
Will join the glorious band.

6. O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare  
For that bright home of love  
That I may see Thee and adore  
With all Thy saints above.

## Post-Communion Thanksgiving

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this beneficial gift, and we ask 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.

## Closing Sentences

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when we are poor in spirit.

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when we mourn.

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when we are meek.

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when we hunger and thirst for righteousness.

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when we are merciful.

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when our hearts are right within us.

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when we struggle to make peace.

**P** Blessed are you

**C** when we are reviled for trusting in Christ.

**P** Blessed are you.

Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the kingdom of God!

**C** Amen.

## Choir: Benediction “The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

Peter C. Lutkin

## Closing 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!

7. But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of Glory passes on His way.  
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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## **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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