



Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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Evangelical
Lutheran
Church in America

August 16th, 2020 + 11th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

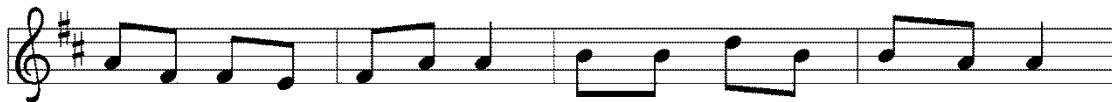
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another...Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"Jesus Loves Me!"



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,

yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

GREETING (ELW p. 147)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE (ELW P. 147)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

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. **Lord, have mercy.**

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

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 148)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

LET THE CHILDREN COME...

FIRST READING-Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

PSALM 67

SECOND READING-Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 151)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL-Matthew 15:10-28

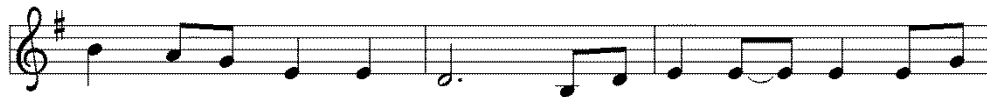
SERMON

HYMN

“Canticle of the Turning”



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



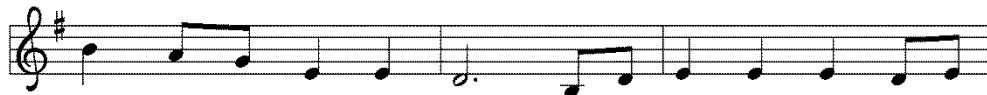
God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



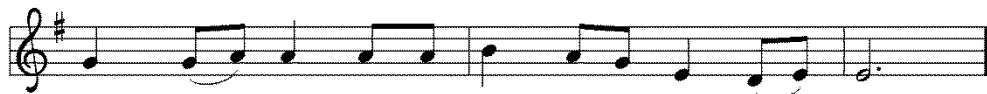
won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn.



Wipe a-way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

APOSTLES' CREED (ELW p. 105)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE

INVITATION TO OFFERING

HYMN:

"Make Me a Servant"

Make me a servant, humble and meek. Lord, let me lift up those who are weak. And may the prayer of my heart always be: Make me a servant, make me a servant; Make me a servant today.

OFFERING PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN:

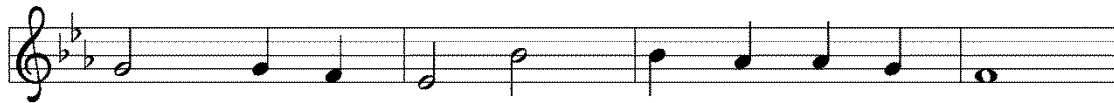
“Abide with Me”



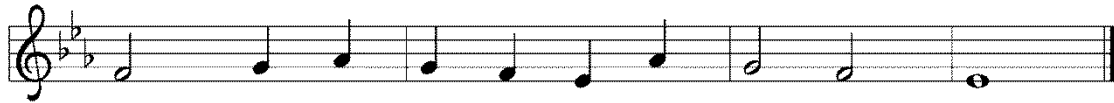
1 A - bide with me, fast falls the e - ven - tide.
2 Swift to its close ebbs out life's lit - tle day;
3 I need thy pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour;
4 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
5 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes,



The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide.
earth's joys grow dim, its glo - ries pass a - way;
what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;



When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
change and de - cay in all a - round I see;
Who like thy - self my guide and stay can be?
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



help of the help - less, oh, a - bide with me.
O thou who chang - est not, a - bide with me.
Through cloud and sun - shine, oh, a - bide with me.
I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me!
in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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Special thanks to Pr. Sharayah Robinson for her continued worship leadership during these services and to the Kathryn-Nome-Fingal Lutheran Parishes as we grow and learn as church together in these challenging times.

Announcements

The Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Messiah Lutheran Church of Fingal; in appreciation of Pastor Sharayah, Pastor Emmy and Pastor Kyle.

August Worship Opportunities: At this time, our primary mode of worship will be our 8:30 a.m. service, streamed on Facebook Live and YouTube, and broadcast on KOVC 1490 AM/96.3 FM at 11:00 a.m. If worshipping from home isn't working for you, you may join us for a short service of word and prayer at 10:00 a.m. or these other opportunities. Within the building, we will encourage social distancing measures, mask wearing, and hand washing and sanitizing. When deciding whether to attend worship or not, please make safe choices for yourself and your neighbors. *Please note all in person gatherings are subject to change.*

There will be NO IN PERSON SERVICES on Sunday, August 16th as our pastors participate in Synod Assembly. 8:30 a.m. services will be broadcast on Facebook Live and re-broadcast on KOVC at 11:00 a.m. **On Sunday, August 30th**, our 10:00 a.m. services will include Holy Communion.

A Book Discussion on "Dear Church" will take place on Tuesday, August 18th at 1:30 p.m. in the Gathering Room. We look forward to diving deeper in the pages of this book and the questions you all bring. All are welcome for conversation - even if you haven't read or finished the book!

On Wednesdays, August 19th, and September 2nd, we will offer outdoor worship with Holy Communion in Pr. Kyle's backyard (1305 Chautauqua Blvd.) Bring a chair, and enjoy a service of prayer and communion, as well as some sun and fresh air. In the case of inclement weather, these services will be cancelled.

Like and Follow "Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Valley City, ND" on Facebook to stay connected with our church community during these challenging times. Look for prayer and other opportunities each week, and watch our Sunday worships on Facebook Live every Sunday.

Monday Morning Prayer Group will not gather in person at this time. From wherever we are on Monday mornings, we will start our week in prayer as we pause and pray for the people of Our Savior's as well as a variety of prayer concerns. Join us this week as we pray for: Craig & Cristal Larsen, Sydney, Lauren; Norvel & Barbara Larson; Dan & Ruth Larson; Daniel & Shari Larson, Nora, Talon; Terry & Lenore Lebahn; Neil & Tricia Lebahn, Alana, Dane; Marlyn & Helen Legler.

Thank You for your continued offerings and prayers in support of the ministry of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Offerings can be mailed to the church office at 138 3rd St. NW, Valley City, ND. Online offerings can be made at the church website, www.oursaviorsvc.org, by clicking the blue "Give Now" button at the bottom of the homepage.

January-July 2020

Year To Date Income \$207,230.71

Year To Date Expense \$208,382.60

Year To Date- Expense over income \$ -1,151.89

January-August 2020

A week of OSLC ministry \$7,148.10

The general fund offering \$6,608.01