

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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September 27th, 2020 + 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Compassion



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.**

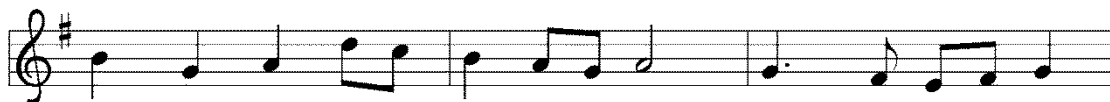
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.**

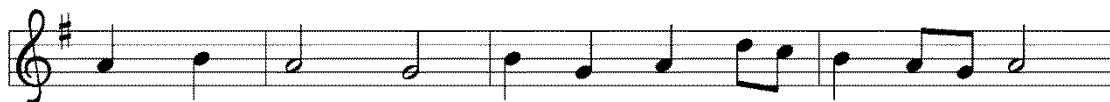
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.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

GATHERING HYMN

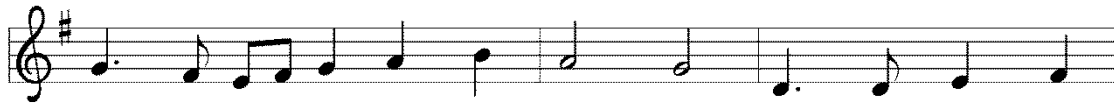
"Dearest Jesus, at Your Word" #520



1 Dear - est Je - sus, at your word we have come a -
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
 3 Ra - diance of God's glo - ry bright, Light of Light from
 4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and



gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
 dark - ness shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks the night,
 God pro - ceed - ing, Je - sus, send your bless - ed light;
 ad - o - ra - tion! Grant us what we need the most:



and in glow - ing faith be near you as the prom - is -
 fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and
 help our hear - ing, speak - ing, heed - ing, that our prayers and
 all your gos - pel's con - so - la - tion while we here on



es here giv - en draw us whol - ly up to heav - en.
 all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.
 songs may please you, as with grate - ful hearts we praise you.
 earth a - wait you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

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 love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

LET THE CHILDREN COME...

FIRST READING-Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

PSALM 25:1-9

SECOND READING-Philippians 2:1-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 151)

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

GOSPEL-Matthew 21:23-32

SERMON

HYMN

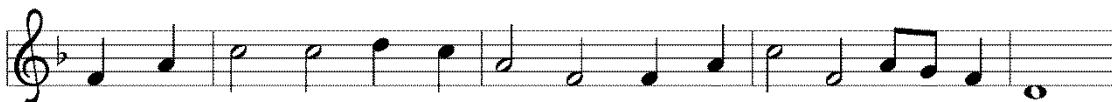
"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" #712



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed:
still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
stir-ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun-dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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: **“The Numberless Gifts of God's Mercies” #683**

- 1 The numberless gifts of God's mercies my tongue cannot fathom or tell.
Like dew that appears in the morning, they come to us shining and full.
The numberless gifts of God's mercies, my tongue cannot fathom or tell.

- 2 Like all of the stars in the heavens, God's mercies can never be told.
They shine through the darkness of midnight; their beauties can never grow old.
Like all of the stars in the heavens, God's mercies can never be told.

- 3 I'll never count all of God's mercies, but oh, I can give God my praise
for all of that love, my thanksgiving and love to the end of my days.
I'll never count all of God's mercies, but oh, I can give God my praise!

OFFERING PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

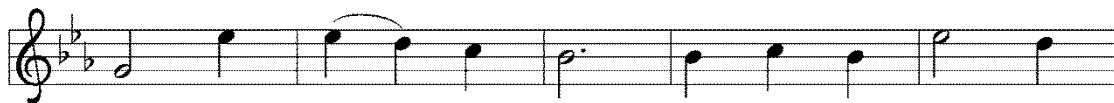
BLESSING

SENDING HYMN:

“O Master, Let Me Walk with You” #818



1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with you in low - ly
2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
3 Teach me your pa - tience; share with me a clos - er,
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the



paths of ser - vice true; tell me your se - cret;
win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, in peace that on - ly



help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
you can give; with you, O Mas - ter, let me live.

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

This Week's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Waldheim Lutheran Church of Kathryn, North Dakota

We are pressing "Pause" on in-person worship: Out of abundance of caution and for the health and well-being of our neighbors, we have decided to stop in-person worship at this time. We look forward to gathering together again when it is safe and wise to do so. In the meantime, if you would like a hard copy of Sunday's bulletin mailed home to you, call the church office at 845-1328.

Worship from Home continues: 8:30 am Facebook Live, 11:00 KOVC 1490 AM Radio Broadcast, afternoon "OSLC Valley City" YouTube.

Donations of NEW socks & underwear of all sizes, children and adult, will be welcomed in September. Place in the bin in the hallway near the office. These items will be distributed through the Community Closet. Drop off Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 3:00 pm or Sunday Mornings.

For School's Sake: To help our elementary schools, we are holding a drive to accept donations for the following specific items: Boxes of prepacked individual snacks (sorry, no home baked items), Kids-sized masks (home-made or store-bought), and bottled water. Drop off Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 3:00 pm or Sunday Mornings by October 15th.

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: Mark Matson; Sharon McCarriar; Theresa McClafin; Dennis McCulloch; Jim & Nicole McDaniel, Tate, Breck, Kinlee; Monte & Pat McDaniel; Wendy McDaniel, Madison.

Join us on Wednesday, Sept. 30th at 6:30 p.m. near the dog park in Chautauqua Park for our final outdoor worship opportunity of the year as we celebrate St. Francis and his love of animals with blessing for your animal friends. You're invited to bring your animals and pets (or their pictures) to the park and share in a short service of blessing and thanksgiving. We hope to see ewes there!

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-August 2020

Year To Date Income \$228,530.59

Year To Date Expense \$231,158.24

Year To Date-Expense Over Income (-\$2,627.65)

A week of OSLC ministry \$7,148.10

Last week's general fund offering \$4,542.88