

Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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Grace

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; God speaks and the earth melts.
The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord!
**God makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
God breaks the bow, shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.**

Be still, and know that the Lord is God!
God is exalted among the nations; God is exalted in the earth.
The Lord of hosts is with us;
The God of Jacob is our refuge.

GATHERING HYMN

"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling" #582



1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er dwell-ing in the ho-liest realms of light;
2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er liv-ing as the church's ver-y life;
3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er work-ing through the church's min-is-try;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er striv-ing through us in a cease-less strife;
quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab-solv-ing, set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free;



Ho-ly Spir - it, ev - er rais - ing those of earth to thrones on high;
 Ho-ly Spir - it, ev - er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:
 Ho-ly Spir - it, ev - er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul



liv - ing, life - im - part - ing Spir - it, you we praise and mag - ni - fy.
 you we praise with end - less wor - ship for your gifts and fruits un - priced.
 in com - mu - nion nev - er end - ing, you we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Shout to the Lord” #821

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you. All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love. My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength; let ev'ry breath, all that I am, never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King. Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand. Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31 – 34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the LORD means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the LORD will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

GOSPEL READING: John 8:31 – 32

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

LET THE CHILDREN COME

Sung Response: “Change My Heart, O God” #801

**Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.
 You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.
 Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.**

REFORMATION REFLECTION

Sung Response: "Change My Heart, O God" #801

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.
You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.
Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

REFORMATION REFLECTION

HYMN

"Listen, God is Calling" #513

Refrain
Leader All

Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

1 2

Leader All

Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*

Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.
that he came to save us and set us free.
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM & APOSTLES' CREED

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Ethan, Michael, Mitchell, Will, Teddy, Tucker, Caleb, Chase, and Cierra who will be making public affirmation of their baptism this afternoon.

In Holy Baptism God graciously delivers us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through water and the word the Holy Spirit calls us to walk a new life in God. In this new life we are joined across time and space to our ancestors who have lived and died trustingly and to the whole Christian community on earth. Their witness supports our Christian journey. Remembering the promises made at our baptisms, we proclaim our faith:

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Together with that great cloud of witnesses, joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness, we give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. **Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy us and all living things. Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land. By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your children, no longer Jew or Greek, no longer slave or free, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Having given thanks for the waters of baptism and made public profession of your faith, I ask: Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ, and for Ethan, Michael, Mitchell, Will, Teddy, Tucker, Caleb, Chase, and Cierra?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray....We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Sung Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

**Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE
INVITATION TO OFFERING

HYMN:

“Share a Little Bit of Your Love”

Refrain

Share a little bit of your love my friends, share a little bit of your love. Share a little bit of your love my friends, and it'll come back to where it began.

- 1 And watch it grow, watch it grow, watch it grow to where it touches every land. Help it grow, help it grow, help it grow by only reachin', reachin' out to someone your hand.
- 2 See it shine, see it shine, see it shine on every face where it has been. Help it shine, help it shine, help it shine on every body, shine on everybody again.

OFFERING PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN:

“What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine” #774



- 1 What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -
- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -
- 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -



last - ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
last - ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.



Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from all a - larms;



lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

DISMISSAL

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

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This Week's Radio Broadcast is in memory of Bob King given by Nancy King and family. His birthday would have been on October 28th.

Sunday Worship from Home continues: 8:30 am Facebook Live, 11:00 KOVC 1490 AM Radio Broadcast, afternoon "OSLC Valley City" YouTube. If you will like a bulletin mailed to you, please contact the church office.

We Give Thanks for our partnership with the Kathryn-Nome-Fingal Parishes and for the leadership of Pr. Sharayah Robinson as we conclude our shared worship experience this week. The Holy Spirit has been present in our worship together and will be as we continue to be church together. Our congregations have been enriched by their partnership during this challenging time.

A Worship Service with Affirmation of Baptism for our 10th grade students and families ONLY is planned for 1:00 p.m. You are invited to participate by watching on Facebook Live. Please hold these young adults in your prayers: **Ethan Bear, Michael Beutler, Mitchell Broadwell, Will Eggert, Teddy Hochhalter, Tucker Johnson, Caleb Kocka, Chase Kunze, & Cierra Pabst.**

Thank you for your ongoing generosity! Thanks for donations to the "For School's Sake Project", extra donations to the "Roof Roof" Flat Roof Project, and ongoing offerings and prayer in support of our ministry together. 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.

Honey Month is a way that the youth of Our Savior's continue to support the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch. Since we can't do our Honey Sunday in person, we are doing a virtual Honey Month throughout the month of October! Two ways to purchase your honey: pick up an order form to complete in the church office or order online at DakotaRanch.org

Donations for 2020 Thanksgiving Baskets are now being collected. If you would like to donate towards this ministry, please make a note on your offering envelopes, or give directly to the Thanksgiving Basket Program at our website, oursaviorsvc.org and clicking on the blue "GIVE" button. Thanks in advance.

The Installation of Bishop-Elect Tessa Moon Leiseth as the Bishop of the Eastern North Dakota Synod is Saturday, October 31 at 2:00 p.m. You are invited to participate through the live stream found at www.eandsynod.org.

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 Alan & Trisa Olson; Mark & Bonnie Olson; Keith & Cheryl Olson; William & Josie Quick; Ron & Judy Olstad; Melvin & Marilyn Olstad; Olive Olstad.

January - September 2020

Year To Date Income \$248,852.19

Year To Date Expense \$266,156.05

Year To Date-Expense Over Income (-\$17, 303.86)

A week of OSLC ministry: \$7,148.10

Last week's General Fund Offering: \$3,351.38