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JULY 25TH, 2021 + 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

HYMN

"Gather Us In" #532

REETING & KYRIE

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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

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

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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

Bread of Life, you nourish our whole selves. You give abundantly. You are present among us. You have embodied the grace of God for us by your life, death, and resurrection. Help us to embody your life-giving grace for others, that all the world may be fed. Amen.

LET THE CHILDREN COME...

FIRST READING 2 Kings 4:42-44

⁴²A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.' " ⁴⁴He set it before them; they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Here ends the reading.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 145:10-18

¹⁰All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

¹²that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

¹⁵**The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,
and you give them their food in due season.**

¹⁶You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷**You are righteous in all your ways
and loving in all your works.**

¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.

Here ends the reading.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Here ends the reading.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL The holy gospel according to Mark 6:35-44 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³⁵When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; ³⁶send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat." ³⁷But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸And he said to them, "How many loaves have you? Go and see." When they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. ⁴¹Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²And all ate and were filled; ⁴³and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

"Break Now the Bread of Life"#515

APOSTLES' CREED

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

OFFERING PRAYER & SONG

"As the Grains of Wheat"#465

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed....we praise your name and join together:

Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest hosanna.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN

"I Am the Bread of Life"#485

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"#543



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Mission Support

January – June 2021	
Year To Date Income	\$183,900.76
Year To Date Expense	180,140.76
YTD Income over Expense	3,760.00
A week of OSLC ministry:	\$7,196.17
General Fund Offering from last week :	\$5,839.13

We, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, welcome all to share Christ's love, grow in faith, and to live a life of service glorifying God.

The Radio Broadcast is in memory of Wendy (Bauer) Kunze, Don Flatau, Carole Flatau, Dale Hildebrant and Kay Winter given by WELCA.

Summer Worship times are In-Person at 8:30 and 10:00 am. Worship on Facebook Live at 8:30 am and on the Radio Broadcast KOVC 1490 AM at 11:00 am. A bulletin can be found on our website: www.oursaviorsvc.org.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Crazy Daze Quilt Sale-

The OSLC Good Samaritans will be selling quilts on Wednesday, July 28th on Central Ave and in the Church overflow room beginning at 9:00am. See you on Central Ave, or go to the south entrance and up to the stairs to the overflow room.

Wednesday, August 18th, Vitalant will be hosting a blood drive at Our Savior's from 11:30 a.m. - 6:15 p.m. To make an appointment to donate, visit vitalant.org. Needed for the day are volunteers to serve as receptionists. If you'd like to volunteer or want more information, contact Ruth Larson at 845-4757.

Lutheran World Relief School Kits! WELCA is again asking for your support by donating supplies to fill school bags. Each school kit consists of four 70-sheet notebooks, 1 box of 16, or 24 ct. crayons, 1 pencil sharpener, 1 ruler, 1 pair of blunt scissors, 5 unsharpened pencils, 5 black or blue ballpoint pens and one 2 1/2" eraser. Drop off in the tote in the hallway. Thank you.

Please note: Please use the North Parking Lot Door to enter the church during the week. The stairs at the West Entrance by the church office are unsafe at this time. Plans are for them to be repaired this summer.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity! Offerings can be left in the back of the sanctuary, mailed to the church office at 138 3rd St. NW, Valley City, or given online at www.oursaviorsvc.org, by clicking the blue "Give Now" button at the bottom of the homepage.

The Missionary Calendar has many open dates for 2021. Show your support of the church around the world by signing up for a day and making a donation of \$25. You'll support the work of Global Health Ministries and our missionaries, Willie and Anne Langdji, who serve as ELCA Regional Representatives in Western Africa.

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, This week, we hold in prayer: Lynn Holcomb, Beth Holden, Kathryn Holleque, Dennis & Judy Holmgren, Phyllis Hook, Lois Hovel, Jerry Huckle.



Let's Paw-rty!

Thank you! You've "unleashed" your generosity and we've met our fundraising goal of \$105,000 for the "Roof, Roof" Flat Roof Project.



It's time to celebrate!
Tuesday, August 3
1305 Chautauqua Blvd - Backyard

6:30 Short Worship Service
Followed by a THANK YOU reception

Please bring your own chair.

Gather Us In #532

- 1 Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreaming brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.
- 2 We are the young; our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.
- 3 Here we will take the wine and the water; here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.
- 4 Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away—
here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Break Now the Bread of Life #515

- 1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you broke the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord; my spirit waits for you, O living Word.
- 2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you blessed the bread by Galilee.
Then shall all bondage cease all fetters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All-in-All!
- 3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your holy word the truth that rescues me.
Give me to eat and live with you above; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Go My Children, with My Blessing #543

- 1 "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."
- 2 "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."
- 3 "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you; here my tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."