



# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## HYMN

**“Gather Us In” #532**

### GREETING & 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**

**Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **LET THE CHILDREN COME...**

### **FIRST READING Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29**

<sup>4</sup>The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup>We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; <sup>6</sup>but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

<sup>10</sup>Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. <sup>11</sup>So Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? <sup>12</sup>Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors?’ <sup>13</sup>Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

<sup>16</sup>So the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.”

<sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

<sup>26</sup>Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” <sup>28</sup>And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!”

Here ends the reading.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 19:7-14**

<sup>7</sup>The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

<sup>8</sup>**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

<sup>10</sup>**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

<sup>11</sup>By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

<sup>12</sup>**Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

<sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

<sup>14</sup>**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

Here ends the reading.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING James 5:13-20**

<sup>13</sup>Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup>Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

<sup>19</sup>My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, <sup>20</sup>you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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 9:38-50 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>38</sup>John said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." <sup>39</sup>But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup>Whoever is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

<sup>42</sup>"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup>And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

<sup>49</sup>"For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN**

**"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" #712**

### **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

**God's Work, Our Hands (v. 1 & 4)**  
*Sung to the tune of "Earth and All Stars"*

1 God's work, our hands: working together, building a future, repairing the world, raising up homes, planting new gardens, feeding the hungry and sheltering the cold. Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name, sharing the good news of your gospel.

4 God is at work in and around us: seedlings are sprouting and bread's on the rise! Washed and set free, humbled and honored, gifted by grace, we respond in God's love. Bless, God, our lives as we answer your call, sharing the good news of your gospel.

## 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

**"We Come to the Hungry Feast"#479**

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

## BLESSING

## HYMN

**"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"#597**



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### Mission Support

January – August 2021	
Year To Date Income	\$219,011.78
Year To Date Expense	235,160.30
YTD Expense over Income	-16,148.52
A week of OSLC ministry:	\$7,196.17
General Fund Offering from last week :	\$7,854.38

**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** in honor of Mary Creviston's birthday was on September 17<sup>th</sup> and it would have been her 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary given by her family.

**It's SOCKTEMBER!** Donations of NEW socks & underwear of ALL sizes (adult & children) for the Community Closet will be collected in a bin at the back of our worship space in September. Pick up a package and share the love with our neighbors.

**Thank you to all who helped** assemble Lutheran World Relief Mission kits and to all of you who brought items for the kits. Thanks to many hands 133 Personal Care Kits, 34 Baby Care Kits, and 123 School Kits were put together and packed up for delivery to Fargo in October and then on to those in need around the world. Amazing how much of Gods Work can be accomplished in a short amount of time when so many of Our Hands work together!

**Begin a prayer and devotion reading practice this fall.** Copies of "Christ in Our Home" devotion books for October, November, and December are now available on the information counter.

**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: Howard Langemo; Craig & Cristal Larsen, Lauren, Sydney; Norval & Barbara Larson; Dan & Ruth Larson; Daniel & Shari Larson, Talon, Nora, Terry & Lenore Lebahn; Neil & Tricia Lebahn, Dane, Alana.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**Next Sunday in Worship,** we'll kick off our Growing in Grace Capital Appeal. Come to celebrate the good things God is doing through the ministry of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. A reception will be held before and after services. All Appeal Team members are invited to be present for a blessing at the end of the 8:30 am service and the beginning of the 11:00 am service.

**Monday, October 4th** from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., the Abused Persons Outreach Center (APOC) will be holding a spaghetti dinner fundraiser at the Valley City Eagles Club. A free will offering will be taken in support of APOC's work of providing crisis intervention, support, and counseling for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

**This Week: September 26-October 3**

**Pentecost 19**

TODAY 8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
8:30 a.m. Facebook Live  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship-Choir  
11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast  
MON: 11:15 a.m. 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Sr. High Lunch  
12:15 a.m. 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Sr. High Lunch  
TUE: 9:00 a.m. Good Samaritans-Quilting  
9:30 a.m. Text Study  
WED: 9:30 a.m. Morning Bible Study  
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Kids for Christ  
6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Youth Gathering  
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Confirmation  
SAT: 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Fellowship

**Pentecost 20**

NEXT SUN: **Growing in Grace**  
8:30 a.m. Worship-Choir  
8:30 a.m. Facebook Live  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. Growing in Grace Reception  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast

Deadline for announcements in the bulletin is Tuesday at 12:00 noon. Thank you