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MAY 9TH, 2021 + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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...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

"All Creatures Worship God Most High", v. 1 - 4



- 1 All crea-tures, wor - ship God most high! Sound ev - 'ry voice in earth and
- 2 Sing, broth - er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth - er fire, so mirth - ful, strong; drive far the shad - ows, join the
- 4 All who for love of God for - give, all who in pain or sor - row



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor
grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful,
throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in
grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night:
clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: Al-le - lu - ia, al-le -
care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare:
fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:



lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

GREETING & KYRIE

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 their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen and amen.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

- 1** **Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.**
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

- 2** **Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.**
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

- 3** **Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;**
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God...you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LET THE CHILDREN COME...

FIRST READING: Acts 10:44 – 48

PSALM: Psalm 98

SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1 – 6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: John 15:9 – 17

Before the gospel: P: The holy gospel according to John 15:9 – 17

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

After the gospel: P: The gospel of the Lord...

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING PRAYER & SONG

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices. Lord, use our hands. Lord use our live. They are yours: We are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

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

LORD'S PRAYER

DISTRIBUTION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN

"Joy To The World"

- 1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
let ev'ry heart prepare him room and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.
- 2 Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- 3 No more let sin and sorrow grow nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.



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Mission Support

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YTD Income over Expense	\$11,762.33
A week of OSLC ministry:	\$7,196.17

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 given in memory of Marilyn Huckle by her family.

THERE IS A SPOT FOR YOU at worship. Gather in-person at either 8:30 or 10:30 am. Worship will also be on Facebook Live at 8:30am and 11:00am Radio Broadcast on KOVC 1490 AM. Hear the good news of God's deep love in Jesus.

Our May Bible Reading Challenge is to read the Old Testament Book of Jonah. This is a great short stories that reflects on how God calls us. **Bible Book Club** will also meet on Tuesday, May 18 at 3:00 pm. All are welcome to come and share in conversation on the book of Jonah.

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.

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.

You are invited to a reception in honor of our High School Seniors on Sunday, May 23 at 9:45 am in the Large Dining Room. We'll wish them well and pray for God's blessings in the next chapter of their lives.

A note from City-County Health: All adults qualify now for a COVID-19 vaccination. Go to the City County Health District website at www.citycountyhealth.org to sign up for a time and date to get your COVID vaccine. If you don't have a computer, call City County Health District at 845-8518.

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, This week, we hold in prayer: Beverly & Derrell Diegel; Paul & Tanya Diegel, Deirra, Danica, Derrek, Dylann; Richard Dietrich; Mavis Dilts; Roy Dilts, Nick; Dallas & Kirsten Dockter, Molly, Maggie, Griffin; Erin Drake, Savannah

Psalm 98

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²**O LORD, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴**Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶**With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.**

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸**Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.**

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

*A Prayer for this Easter Season
Attributed to St. Francis*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.