

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"Q IS FOR THE QUEEN OF SHEBA"

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

Gathered into one by God's Spirit, we are bold to confess our sins, our shortcomings, our failures, right here in the open, in the presence of God and of one another...

God of grace...We confess that we have failed you, failed ourselves, failed one another. We assume the worst about those around us, rather than giving anyone the benefit of the doubt. We do the same to ourselves, and sometimes, even, we do the same to you. We are stubborn and determined to hold a grudge. We fail to exercise our imaginations, fail to recognize your works waiting to be born, if only we would step up to help, or sometimes, if only we would move out of the way. Forgive us, O God, and show us another way forward. Amen.

Hear the good news of the risen Christ: God is making all things new! Your sins are forgiven. God's invitation is to another way of living. Thanks be to God! **Amen!**

HYMN: "For the Beauty of the Earth" #879

GREETING (p. 138)

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 (Read Responsively)

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;

for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;

that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;

for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;

that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy. Amen.

<u>HYMN OF PRAISE:</u> "Glory to God" p. 139

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

Let us pray... Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF 3 YEAR-OLD & 3rd GRADE BIBLES

FIRST READING: Hebrews 1:1 – 4, 2:5 – 12

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet. Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Response: The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC: OSLC CHOIR

PSALM: 8 (Read Responsively)

¹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

⁷all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

8the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

⁹O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: p. 142

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

SECOND READING: 1 Kings 10: 1-10

God's word for us from 1 Kings 10:1 - 10.

¹When the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, (fame due to the name of the LORD), she came to test him with hard questions. ²She came to Jerusalem with a very great retinue, with camels bearing spices, and very much gold, and precious stones; and when she came to Solomon, she told him all that was on her mind. ³Solomon answered all her questions; there was nothing hidden from the king that he could not explain to her. ⁴When the queen of Sheba had observed all the wisdom of Solomon, the house that he had built, ⁵the food of his table, the seating of his officials, and the attendance of his servants, their clothing, his valets, and his burnt offerings that he offered at the house of the LORD, there was no more spirit in her. ⁶So she said to the king, "The report was true that I heard in my own land of your accomplishments and of your wisdom, ³but I did not believe the reports until I came and my own eyes had seen it. Not even half had been told me; your wisdom and prosperity far surpass the report that I had heard. ⁸Happy are your wives! Happy are these your servants, who continually attend you and hear your wisdom! ⁹Blessed be the LORD your God, who has delighted in you and set you on the throne of Israel! Because the LORD loved Israel forever, he has made you king to execute justice and righteousness." ¹⁰Then she gave the king one hundred twenty talents of gold, a great quantity of spices, and precious stones; never again did spices come in such quantity as that which the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon.

Response: The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

HYMN: "Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" #445

PRESENTATION FOR HOLY BAPTISM

p. 227

PROFESSION OF FAITH

p. 229

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in God the Son?

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. Amen.

HOLY BAPTISM OF CAMPBELL JAE FODNESS

Let us welcome the newly baptized...We welcome you into the body of Christ and the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's redeeming word to all the world.

HYMN OF CELEBRATION:

"Jesus Loves Me", Verse 1

#595

SHARING OF THE PEACE
THANKSGIVING FOR OFFERING AND PRAYER

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore in me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with your free Spirit.

HOLY COMMUNION (p. 144)

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.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING (p.144)

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...we join their unending hymn:

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

LORD'S PRAYER (p. 145)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMNS "Lamb of God" p. 146

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

"I Come with Joy" #482
"We Are Marching in the Light of God" #866

DISTRIBUTION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (p. 146)

BLESSING

May God bless you with the curiosity to continue growing into your own self. May God keep you steady in the face of all that is unknown. May God's face shine on you as you seek new answers to old questions being born anew. **Amen.**

HYMN "All Are Welcome" #641

SENDING (p. 146)

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

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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.

<u>Bibles presented during today's worship</u> are presented on behalf of the congregation through a generous gift Dennis & Joann Nathan, Jeff & Bobbi Jo Nathan, and Amber & Carl Pederson. Bookmarks, magnets, and bag tags are presented through a generous gift from Ruth Nathan.

<u>Sundays, Sept. 8th - Oct. 27th</u>, join us for worship as we reclaim the "good" of the Good Book. Walking with the stories of our ancestors in faith from A to Z, together we'll learn and relearn why we love to tell this old, old story, and why it continues to hold meaning for us here and now.

Join us as we grow in loving our neighbors better with a five-session series called "Fear of the Other". Sundays following worship at 10:00 a.m., we'll meet in the conference room to wrestle with the gospel command to love (and not just tolerate) neighbors, others, and enemies. Here's a look ahead: 10/6 - "Loving the Other in Church"; 10/13 - "Jesus, the Other"

Honey Sunday is back October 6th and 13th! Supporting Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, purchase honey for \$10/bottle to be mailed to your home in November. Visit the Service and Sharing Committee's table with questions or to make your order today.

<u>Pastor Kyle will be gone from October 8th through October 16th.</u> For pastoral care needs or time sensitive questions, be in touch with Pr. Nicholas or the church office.

<u>Community Closet</u> will be having an opening on Monday, October 21st from 5 – 7 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help set up on Sunday, Oct. 20th from 6 – 8 p.m., and again to help clean up following the opening on Monday evening at 7 p.m. No need to sign up, just show up.

<u>City-County Health District</u> will be administering vaccines on Sunday, October 20th beginning at 10 a.m. Sign up for a slot on the clipboard located on the information counter. Individuals can complete the Vaccination Administration Record (VAR) ahead of time. CCHD Nursing Staff will also bring copies. Vaccine Information Sheets are also available to provide more information about the benefits of the Influenza (Flu) vaccine.

<u>Get started with our new church directory!</u> Access the directory digitally through the app or online with your email, or fill out a hard copy submission form with your details. Sign ups are also available for hard copies of the directory to be distributed later in the fall. Visit the Directory table for more information.

<u>Coffee and Fellowship Hosts:</u> Hosts are needed for our fellowship times following worship on Sunday mornings. Hosting can be as simple as making sure the coffee is on and running and providing a light treat. You can sign up on the clipboard on the counter in the Gathering Room and be in touch with Pr. Kyle or Pr. Nicholas with questions.

<u>The Hi-Liner Food Pantry</u>, serving VCHS students and families, continues to collect donations in the tote near the welcome center. To donate to the Bridges Backpack Program, please make your check out to and mail to: **Bridges Backpack Program, Inc., 674 10th Ave SW, Valley City, ND 58072.** Suggested donations include: canned chicken or tuna, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, canned ravioli, Spaghetti O's, and granola bars.

A look ahead at the week of October 6th - October 13th, 2024

TODAY: 8:05 a.m. | Choir Rehearsal

9:00 a.m. | Worship

9:00 a.m. | 3 Year-Old and 3rd Grade Bible Presentation

9:00 a.m. | Facebook Worship Livestream

10:00 a.m. | Coffee & Fellowship 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. | Sunday School

10:00 - 10:45 a.m. | "Fear of the Other" Study – Conference Room

11:00 a.m. | KOVC 1490 AM/96.3 FM Radio Broadcast

TUES: 9:00 a.m. | Good Samaritan Quilters

1:30 p.m. | Pastor's Text Study

WED: 9:30 a.m. | Bible Study

6:30 p.m. | Confirmation @Faith Lutheran Church

7:00 p.m. | Committee Meetings

8:00 p.m. | Council

SAT: 7:30 a.m. | Men's Bible Fellowship

SUN (10/13): 9:00 a.m. | Worship

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