



# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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MAY 12TH, 2024 + 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us...

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. **Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you. **Alleluia and Amen!**

### HYMN:

**"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"**

**#645**

### GREETING (p. 98)

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.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE:

**"This is the Feast"**

**p. 101**

**Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

- 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. (Refrain)**
- 2 Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (Refrain)**
- 3 For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. (Refrain)**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray...**Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **FIRST READING: 1 John 5:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony; the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

### **PSALM: Psalm 1 (Read Responsively)**

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

<sup>2</sup>**Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

<sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

<sup>4</sup>**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

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

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**"Be Not Afraid"**

**#388**

***Be not afraid, sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!***

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## **GOSPEL: John 17:6-19**

The Holy Gospel according to John 17:6-19. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>6</sup>"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one.

<sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

*This is the gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.*

## SERMON

### HYMN:

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

#742

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – APOSTLES’ CREED (p. 105)

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 THE PEOPLE

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

#### THANKSGIVING FOR OFFERING AND PRAYER

### OFFERING HYMN:

“Thine the Amen”

#826

### HOLY COMMUNION (p. 107)

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.108)

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

p. 108

*Holy, holy, holy 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.*

### LORD’S PRAYER (p. 112)

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. 112

*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, grant us peace.*

**“Lead Me, Guide Me”**

**#768**

**“I Am the Bread of Life”**

**#485**

**“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

**#807**

**DISTRIBUTION**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER (p. 114)**

**BLESSING (p. 114)**

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope † bless you now and always. **Amen.**

**HYMN:**

**“Crown Him with Many Crowns”**

**#855**

**SENDING (p. 115)**

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

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# GIVE ONLINE

**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 Marilyn Huckle given by her family.

**Eat at Pizza Ranch on Tuesday, May 14th between 5:00 and 7:30pm** to support our youth heading to the ELCA National Youth Gathering this summer. All proceeds from meals eaten at Pizza Ranch between those times will be shared as a Community Impact grant to our youth traveling to New Orleans in July.

**Growing in Faith | Sundays, 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.** A new opportunity in the life of the congregation. Join Pr. Kyle for a time of conversation and wondering about a wide range of topics including scripture, faith, and our call as God's people. We'll continue "Growing in Faith" in May: *Our Lutheran Worship* (5/12); and *Our Lutheran Call* (5/19).

**Our Savior's welcomes Pr. Robert Franek**, who will serve as Interim Pastor from April – June, as we navigate this season of transition. You will start to see Pr. Robert during the week in April, and on Sundays beginning in May.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-June 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> | 12:30 – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Hosted at Our Savior's.** Sign up today for this year's VBS. As always, **VBS is FREE** of charge through your amazing congregational support and because of our partners at Faith Lutheran and Trinity Lutheran!  
**Register at this link:** <https://form.iotform.com/240864442295057>

**The Hi-Liner Food Pantry**, serving VCHS students and families, continues to collect donations in the tote near the welcome center. During April, donations of canned chicken or tuna are especially appreciated. 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.**

**The Community Closet** will be having an opening on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 7p. Volunteers are needed to help with set up on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> between 4 and 6p, and to help with clean up on Monday at 7p. No need to sign up, just show up. Thanks for your helping hands!

**Peggy Lee Day is Friday, June 14th.** Celebrate with the Myron Sommerfeld Band, Miss Bonnie Lynn, and more at 7p at the VCSU Center for the Arts. This concert event is free and open to the public, and all are invited to bring an item to be shared with the Barnes Co. Food Pantry. An ice cream and coffee social will follow. With questions contact Myron Sommerfeld (845 - 1777) or Wes Anderson (845 - 0966).

**For pastoral emergencies between Wednesday, May 15th and Monday, May 20th**, please contact the church office and Brenda will put you in contact with Pr. Robert or Pr. Nicholas.

**Help Red Willow get ready for summer** by joining their all-camp cleanup day on Saturday, May 18th between 9a and 4p. Bring yourselves and some cleaning supplies. Lunch will be provided. Red Willow is located at 1651 Jacob Drive, Binford.

**“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. To that end, be alert and persevere in praying for all the Lord’s people.” (Ephesians 6:18).** This week we hold these people of Our Savior's in prayer, as well as those concerns close to our hearts: Alan Windingland; Rich & Eileen Winning; Mark & Andrea Winter, Trevor; Verl & Rhonda Woehl; Diane Wood; Jeff & Julie Wurzer, Zane, Mason; Todd & Tina Wurzer, Krista.

**May 12-19, 2024**

TODAY: 8:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
9:00 a.m. Facebook Live  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship  
10:00 a.m. Foundation Meet  
11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast

TUES: 9:00 a.m. Quilters  
1:30 p.m. Text Study

WED: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study

SAT: 7:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Fellowship

NEXT SUN: 8:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship  
9:00 a.m. Worship-Choir  
9:00 a.m. Facebook Live  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship  
11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast  
4:00-6:00 p.m. Setup Community Closet Opening

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**Mission Support  
January-March 2024**

Year To Date Income	\$74, 647.35
Year To Date Expense	77, 669.31
YTD Expense over Income	-3,021.96
A week of OSLC ministry:	\$6,875.75
General Fund Offering:	\$5,571.76

**2021-2024 Growing in Grace Capital Appeal**



\$822,560.00 Total Pledged  
By 125 Households  
through June 4, 2023

\$823,320.16 Total Given  
through May 1, 2024