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OCTOBER 12TH, 2025 + 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (*please rise in body and/or spirit)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ the giver of all good, the source of all joy. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

God of all, **you have given us all that we need and you ask that we share your abundance. We confess that we have not responded to your call to be open channels of your grace. We clench our fists when you ask for open hands; we close our minds when you ask for grace toward our neighbors. Open our hearts to live in the abundance of your creation; loosen our grip and restore our souls, that we may freely give and receive. Amen.**

Beloved in Christ, God makes all things new. In the name of Christ, ✠ you are forgiven. Your hearts are unfurled; your grasping is unbound. You are free to live as flowing streams of God's abundant grace. **Amen.**

HYMN:

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

#678

GREETING

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:

"Glory to God"

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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

God of all, **you bless us with the capacity for gratitude and awe. Open us to the wonders of your creation, and make us grateful for every good gift of your hand. Give us glad and generous hearts so that we may be stewards of your mercy and healing in the world. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." ⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." ⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. ^{15a, b, c} Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

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

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—he cannot deny himself. ¹⁴ Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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

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

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17th chapter...**Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³ they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴ When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶ He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸ Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Response: The Gospel of the Lord...**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN:

"Oh, Praise the Gracious Power"

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APOSTLE'S CREED (*please rise in body and/or spirit)

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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

Response: God of grace, receive our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

THANKSGIVING FOR OFFERING AND PRAYER

(offering plates are located on the table at the back of the sanctuary)

OFFERING HYMN:

"As the Grains of Wheat"

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HOLY COMMUNION

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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

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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 in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Lamb of God"

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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.

"We Plow the Fields and Scatter" #681

"Take My Life, That I May Be" #685

POST COMMUNION PRAYER(*please rise in body and/or spirit)

Abundant God, You have nourished us with life, love and grace. Fill us to the brim with your care, that we may go into the world with open arms and open hearts to share your peace with the world. **Amen.**

BLESSING

May God bless you and keep you. May God's mercy flow freely through you. May you be filled with the abundance of God's love ☩ and held in God's peace. **Amen.**

HYMN

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

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SENDING

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Go in peace. Do not lose heart. **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.

Our radio broadcast today is given by Videlle Hamilton and her family in memory of Albert & Mildred Olson and Doug Hamilton.

Senior High Lunches are being offered once again on Fridays, in the dining hall downstairs. Any students with open campus privileges during their lunch break are welcome. The meal is free. Contact Leslie Rohde (815-685-6628) if you would like to help.

Christ in our Home for October, November and December is now available, in both pocket size and large print. Please take one if you'd like one and take a copy to share, if you know someone who'd also like a copy.

The City-County Health District is holding a Respiratory Season Clinic on Sunday, October 19th here at OSLC after the worship service. The influenza vaccine will be available at that time and, as guidelines are changing regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, information regarding that will be available at the clinic, too. There are a sign-up sheet, vaccination forms and FAQs located at the information counter under the missionary calendar in the foyer.

The Red River Valley Veterans Concert Band is presenting 2 free concerts on Thursday, Oct 16. St Raphael's Care Center (6:15) and VCSU Center for the Arts (8:10) They are playing music for all ages to celebrate our nation's patriotism. See flyers posted around the church for more details.

The Faith Lutheran Church Men's Group is holding a pancake brunch from 9:30 to 12:30 on Sunday, October 19th. It is a free will offering fundraiser. They are serving pancakes, fried potatoes, sausage, apple sauce, milk, juice and coffee. To go containers are available to those who would like to take their meal home

Community Closet will be open on Monday, October 26th from 5-7pm. Set up will be on Sunday, the 25th, from 6-8pm. Volunteers are needed for both.

St Catherine School is holding a silent auction and bake sale on Friday, November 7th at 5pm and live auction at 6:30 pm at the Eagles.

We continue our Stewardship emphasis today in worship. Our theme is *What We Can Do: Responding to God's Generosity*. Join us each Sunday as we consider what is possible for us to do for our community, the world, and our neighbors, in Jesus' name.

The Confirmation Students will be conducting a Food Drive on Wednesday, October 15th, from 6:30 to 7:40, as a service project. The food will be given to the Food Pantry here in town. If you'd like, you can also bring non-perishable items to the church and we will take them to the pantry with the items the students collect.

Community Thanksgiving Basket Mission: We are once again partnering with Faith and Trinity Lutheran Churches to provide food baskets to those in need in our community. Volunteers are needed to pack and deliver baskets on Thursday and Friday, November 20th & 21st. Please call Ann in the office to sign up. Monetary donations can be mailed to the church (138 3rd St NW, Valley City, ND 58072), dropped off at the office or put in the offering plate. Please label as "Thanksgiving Baskets."

We're continuing a practice at Our Savior's to be mindful of our prayer for one another. Each week, staff will be praying for, and congregation members are encouraged to pray for families of the congregation, by name. This week we pray for the Mary Ann Gamrath, Ronald & Patricia Gienger, James Greene, Jessica & Kyle Gregerson and Brooke & Brian Gubrud families. *"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone" 1 Timothy 2:1*

A look ahead at the week of October 12th, 2025 – October 19th, 2025

TODAY: 9:00 am | Worship
9:00 am | Facebook Worship Livestream
10:15 am | Sunday School
10:15 am | Coffee & Fellowship
11:00 am | KOVC 1490 AM/96.3 FM Radio Broadcast
11:15 am | Worship at Messiah (Fingal)

TUES: 9:00 am | Quilters
9:30 am | Pastors and President Meeting
10:30 am | Staff Meeting

WEDS: 9:30 am | Bible Study
6:30 pm | Confirmation (at Faith)
8:00 pm | Sr High Group

SAT: 7:30 am | Men's Bible Fellowship

SUN (10/19): 9:00 am | Worship, Bible Sunday
9:00 am | Facebook Worship Livestream
10:15 am | Coffee & Fellowship
10:15 am | NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 am | KOVC 1490 AM/96.3 FM Radio Broadcast
11:15 am | Worship at St Paul's (Kathryn)
4:00 PM | Confirmation Rehearsal



Bible Sunday