



# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

**Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you.**

Be with us today, and empower us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen.

**Come, Holy Spirit! Let the fire of your love consume us.**

## GATHERING HYMN

**"God Is Here!"**

**#526**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS(\*please rise in body or spirit)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Compassionate God, **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

**" Now the Feast and Celebration"**

**#167**

## GREETING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Teach us, good Lord God, **to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13

*Jeremiah accuses God of forcing him into a ministry that brings him only contempt and persecution. Yet Jeremiah is confident that God will be a strong protector against his enemies and commits his life into God's hands.*

<sup>7</sup> O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. <sup>8</sup> For whenever I speak, I must cry out; I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.

<sup>9</sup> If I say, "I will not mention him or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. <sup>10</sup> For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him and take our revenge on him." <sup>11</sup> But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. <sup>12</sup> O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous; you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. <sup>13</sup> Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

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

**PSALM: Psalm 69:7-18 (read responsively)**

<sup>7</sup> Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach, and shame has covered my face.

<sup>8</sup> **I have become a stranger to my own kindred, an alien to my mother's children.**

<sup>9</sup> Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

<sup>10</sup> **I humbled myself with fasting, but that was turned to my reproach.**

<sup>11</sup> I put on sackcloth also, and became a by word among them.

<sup>12</sup> **Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, and the drunkards make songs about me.**

<sup>13</sup> But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O LORD: "In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.

<sup>14</sup> **Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.**

<sup>15</sup> Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up; do not let the pit shut its mouth upon me.

<sup>16</sup> **Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; in your great compassion, turn to me.**

<sup>17</sup> Hide not your face from your servant; be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

<sup>18</sup> **Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me.**

**SECOND READING: Romans 6:1b-11**

*In baptism we were incorporated into the reality of Christ's death and resurrection. We have been made new in Christ through his death and resurrection to live freed from sin.*

<sup>1b</sup> Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup> By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup> But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION(\*please rise in body or spirit)**

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The Holy Gospel according to John, the twentieth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **GOSPEL: John 20:19-23**

*Jesus warns his disciples that their ministry in his name will meet with opposition. However, he assures them that they need not fear for the truth will come to light. Life is found in Christ.*

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>24</sup> “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! <sup>26</sup> “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup> What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup> And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup> So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup> “Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup> “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, <sup>36</sup> and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. <sup>37</sup> “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, <sup>38</sup> and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

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

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“Will You Come and Follow Me”**

**#798**

### **APOSTLES’ CREED(\*please rise in body or spirit)**

**p. 105**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

*Each petition concludes: “God of Grace, **hear our prayer.**”*

*The final petition:*

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

## **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

## **THANKSGIVING FOR OFFERING**

*(offering plates are located on the table at the back of the sanctuary. The offering plates are brought forward during the singing of our offering hymn.)*

## **THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

## **OFFERTORY HYMN**

**“Come to the Table”**

**#481**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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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.**

## **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

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## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast! **Amen.**

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

**"Lamb of God"**

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**"Children of the Heavenly Father" #781**

**"Borning Cry" #732**

### **BLESSING FROM THE TABLE**

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

### **BLESSING(\*please rise in body or spirit)**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

### **SENDING HYMN**

**"If You But Trust in God to Guide You"**

**#769**

### **DISMISSAL**

This worship is ended; Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

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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.**

**Today's Radio Broadcast** is sponsored by Mavis Dilts in memory of Arnold, Leroy and Oscar.

Our Savior's needs 2-3 volunteers who will join Pastor Jared on Wednesday June 24 and July 29 at 4:45pm for the Bridges Backpack Program: Summer Grocery Store. Please contact Pastor Jared to volunteer.

### **Summer Youth Trip: July 20th - 21st**

Current 7-12th graders! This is your last chance to sign up for the summer youth trip! We will volunteer at Feed My Starving Children, Global Health Ministries, and enjoy time together at Valleyfair. **We will have a mandatory student/parent meeting on June 22nd at 7pm in the Gathering Room at OSLC.** At least one parent and the student should be in attendance.

Contact Kyla Fetsch at [youth.oursaviorsvc@outlook.com](mailto:youth.oursaviorsvc@outlook.com) with questions or to sign up. Cost of the trip is \$100, however, fundraising opportunities are available! Don't miss out on this memorable experience!

**Red Willow Bible Camp Sponsorship Code Forms** are now available and located on both youth bulletin boards! If your child plans to attend camp this summer, simply grab a form, complete it, and get it back to Kyla or the church office and then Kyla will be in touch with the OSLC code to register for camp. Contact Kyla with any questions!

**Displays in the Information Area:** Please take a moment to check out the displays in the Information Area bookcases. On the left side, Margaret Dahlberg has created a display detailing the stained glass windows in the chancel and nave of the church. There is also an information sheet explaining each window and the saints shown. On the right side, she has included information about the various outreach projects we here at OSLC participate in for World Relief. There is also an information sheet for those projects and how you can help.

**Radio Broadcasts:** There are currently many Sundays open to sponsor. Please contact Ann in the office if you would like to help with this important outreach ministry. If you have a special Sunday in mind, please reserve it as soon as possible to ensure it is available. The cost to sponsor each Sunday broadcast is \$100.

**The Missionary Calendar for 2026 has been posted.** Be sure to stop by and sponsor a special day. The cost for each day is \$25.

**Good Samaritans Quilters are always looking for used sheets and fabric:** the quilters are asking, as you clean closets and downsize, to keep them in mind. They are looking for used sheets (no white, please) and fabric (cotton preferred). If you have questions, please contact Ann in the office.

**The Summer Grocery Store** through The Bridges Backpack Program will be open again this year. It will be open every Wednesday evening from June 4 through August 6, 5-7pm. Enter the High School through door #W6 and watch for the OPEN sign by the door. This is a free program open to everyone during the summer when school lunches are not available. The program receives some food from the Great Plains Food Bank but is also supported by local churches and organizations. Donations can be put in the bin in the Gathering Area. Perishable items such as fresh fruits and veggies, and refrigerated or frozen items, can be dropped off at Faith Lutheran Church and they will make sure they are given to the Store. Suggested donation items include: canned chicken or tuna, soup, fruit, ravioli, Spaghetti O's, boxed cereal, pasta and mac & cheese, Hamburger Helper, potato chips, syrup, baking items and rice. These items can be left in the tote in the Gathering Area here at OSLC. **Donation checks can be made out to and mailed to: Bridges Backpack Program, Inc, 674 10<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, Valley City, ND 58072.** If you would like to volunteer on one of these Wednesdays, please contact Pr Jared or the office.

### **IN OUR PRAYERS:**

**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 Todd & Lee Webster, Jim & LouVay White, Kein & Brenda White, Richard & Eileen Winning and Mark & Andrea Winter 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 June 21<sup>st</sup> to June 28<sup>th</sup> , 2026.**

TODAY: 8:45 am | Coffee and Fellowship  
9:30 am | Worship  
9:30 am | Facebook Worship Livestream  
11:00 am | KOVC 1490 AM/96.3 FM Radio Broadcast

TUES: 9:00 am | Quilters  
10:30 pm | Staff Meeting  
1:30 pm | Text Study

WEDS: 9:30 am | Bible Study

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

SUN (6/28): 8:45 am | Coffee and Fellowship  
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