

# WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS!

**LIVING SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH** welcomes you as you join with us in worship this day. May the Holy Spirit bless you with the message you hear from God's Word, the prayers, the hymns, and the fellowship we share with you. Here is some information you might find helpful:

- If you are a guest, please fill out one of the inserts and leave it in your seat at the end of the service. We promise we will not bombard you with emails or calls, but this information is helpful for staying in touch.
- Out of health considerations, wearing a face covering is required throughout the service, especially during the times you are speaking or singing.
- Hand sanitizer is available in the Narthex as well as in both restrooms.
- Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services. If you need to step out for a moment with your child, a Family Room is located right outside the Sanctuary doors.
- Changing Tables are located in the Restrooms.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** *We are very glad that you have joined us today for this worship service as we hear the Word of God and receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This church is in fellowship with other congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. As such, we believe and practice the biblical teaching that we receive the true Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and the wine of the Sacrament (Matthew 26, Mark 14 and Luke 22). If you have a different understanding of Communion or are still learning about this biblical teaching, we love you enough to ask you not to receive Holy Communion this day (1 Corinthians 11). However, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing at the time of Communion. If later you have questions about this or any other teachings, the pastor would be very pleased to talk with you.*

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## Jesus for All People

In today's Gospel from Mark, Jesus says, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." His ministry and mission for this world was one for all people. Even as Jesus early on in His earthly ministry heals people, including Simon's mother-in-law, so He comes to us still with healing through the forgiveness of sins. Blessed by Him and His unending grace, we can be rejuvenated and strengthened on "wings like eagles" and serve all in His name and "become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some . . . for the sake of the gospel."

## Pre-Service Music

### Greeting/Announcements

### We Call Upon the Name of the Lord

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### Opening Sentences

Isaiah 40:21–22, 28; Psalm 147:3, 5

**P** Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

**C** It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, . . . who stretches out the heavens like a curtain.

**P** Have you not known? Have you not heard?

**C** The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

**P** He heals the brokenhearted

**C** and binds up their wounds.

**P** Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

**C** His understanding is beyond measure.

### Opening Hymn: "Fight the Good Fight"

LSB 664

1 Fight the good fight with all your might;  
Christ is your strength, and Christ your right.  
Lay hold on life, and it shall be  
Your joy and crown eternally.

Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

3 Cast care aside, lean on your guide;  
His boundless mercy will provide.  
Trust, and enduring faith shall prove  
Christ is your life and Christ your love.

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2 Run the straight race through God's good grace;  
Lift up your eyes, and seek His face.  
Life with its way before us lies;

### Confession and Forgiveness

1 Corinthians 9:24–25

**P** O God, You have come to call us to repentance and faith, to salvation and life. We come before You to confess and repent of our sins.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the times we have tried to keep our faith a private concern, failing to be all things to all people for the sake of Your kingdom, instead seeking Your blessings only for ourselves.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the times we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves and have neglected prayer and concern for the community in need around us and for people throughout the world.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the many faults and failings that are known only to You.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** We hear today in God's Word, "Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable." As we run to our Savior in repentance and rely on Him to receive the crown of life He alone has earned, and upon this your confession, I, as a servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

### Hymn of Praise: "Fight the Good Fight"

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4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near;  
He changes not who holds you dear;

**Only believe, and you will see  
That Christ is all eternally.**

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## **Greeting**

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

- P** Let us pray.  
O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**C** **Amen.**

## **+ God Speaks to Us Through His Word +**

### **God Speaks to Us Through His Prophet**

Isaiah 40:21–31

Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **God Speaks to Us Through His Apostle**

1 Corinthians 9:16–27

If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **God Speaks to Us Through His Son**

Mark 1:29–39

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.  
**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Immediately Jesus left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was

gathered together at the door. And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### Hymn of the Day: "Creator of the Stars and Skies"

1 Creator of the stars and skies,  
Of universal fame,  
From You the angels shield their eyes;  
Yet You call each by name.

2 O Lord, You are beyond compare,  
For all I see and know  
Are made with Your attentive care,  
Your majesty to show.

3 O Maker of this earthen shell,  
Renew my strength each day,  
That I, Your workmanship, may tell  
Of Him who donned our clay.

4 Give me the courage to proclaim  
The One who died to rise.  
He conquered sorrow, sin, and shame  
And opened wide the skies.

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### God Speaks to Us Through Pastor Bailes: "One for All and All From One"

Mark 1:29-39

#### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### We Worship God with Our Offerings

*(Our offerings give us an opportunity to give thanks to God for the many ways He has blessed us. Members and regular attendees support God's mission and ministry as He works through this congregation. Guests are welcome to give an offering, but are not expected to do so. Psalm 54:6; 116:12-14, 17)*

#### Prayer of the Church

**P** We pray for the Church of God everywhere, that the Lord Jesus would continue to work among His people to forgive sins, deliver from death and the devil, and strengthen and preserve them in the one true faith unto life everlasting, and that His people always remember why He has come as Savior from sin, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For the kingdoms of this world, that God would guide rulers to act with justice and integrity in service to all those entrusted to their care, and that when surrounded by violence and uncertainty, His people might trust in His unsearchable wisdom and cling to His promises of rescue in Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** For those who grieve and those in need of healing and deliverance, [*especially* . . .], that God who heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds would grant them relief and preserve them in the hope of His steadfast love in Christ Jesus. For those who suffer from chronic illness and long-term suffering that, as Jesus healed the mother-in-law of Simon Peter, God would give power to the faint, increase the strength of those who have no might, and preserve them in patience and the faith that in Christ they will mount up with wings like eagles, run and not be weary and walk and not faint, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## Blessing

Based on 1 Corinthians 9

**P** As the Lord healed the mother-in-law of Peter, so He heals the wounds of our hearts.

**C** Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

**P** As Jesus sent away the evil spirits, so He gives us His Spirit of faith and love.

**C** Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

**P** As He preached the Gospel to all of Galilee, so He brings His life to us.

**C** Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

**P** In all we do for the sake of the Gospel, that we may share in its blessings.

**C** Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\dagger$  give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Closing Hymn: "Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go"

LSB 920

1 Forth in the peace of Christ we go;  
Christ to the world with joy we bring;  
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,  
Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.

Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.

2 King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;  
Kingship with Him His servants gain;  
With Christ the Servant-Lord of all,

3 Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth  
This world of time to consecrate,  
This world of sin by grace to heal,  
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.

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## + Our Lord Comes to Us in His Body and His Blood +

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## Holy is the Lord: "Holy is the Lord"

LSB 161

**C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\dagger$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Proclamation of Christ

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

## Peace of the Lord

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Lamb of God

**C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. LSB 163  
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.

## Distribution Hymn: “Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go” LSB 920

- 4 Christ’s are our lips, His Word we speak;  
Prophets are we whose deeds proclaim  
Christ’s truth in love that we may be  
Christ in the world, to spread Christ’s name.
- 5 We are the Church; Christ bids us show  
That in His Church all nations find  
Their hearth and home where Christ restores  
True peace, true love to all mankind.

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