



# 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:

- A Nursery/Family Room is located in the Narthex, on entry to the church.
- Restrooms are located in the Narthex.
- Please fill out an attendance note pad in the chairs and place your sheet in the offering plate or hand to an usher. We ask guests and members to fill them out each week.
- Please let us know if we can help you in any way.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** *We are very glad that you have joined us today for this worship service where 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 morning (1 Corinthians 11). However, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing at the time of Communion. If later you have any questions about this or any other teachings, the pastor would be very pleased to talk with you.*

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# 2019 LWML SUNDAY

## Worship Service

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is the official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ. Lutheran Women in Mission are women of faith, empowered for active service in Jesus' name and bold support of missions through Mite Box offerings. As Christians, our faith propels us all into God's mission and gives us confidence that God's amazing grace will supply our needs and move His mission forward.

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

*(Hymns for today's worship will be played.)*

### RINGING OF THE BELLS

*(Please take time now to fill out the attendance record book located in a chair on your row and place your sheet in the offering plate later in the service.)*

### PRELUDE

## Faith Like a Mustard Seed

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING HYMN: WITH JOY WE COME TOGETHER *(Please stand if you are able)*

*Tune: LSB 527, Text: Jean Hansen Kammerer*

**With joy we come together, Our hearts of one accord,  
Rejoicing in the blessings Of serving You, O Lord.  
The gifts that You have given Make us a mighty throng.  
With thankfulness we raise up Our praise to You in song.**

**We celebrate the women, Who've served You through the years,  
Sustaining one another Through vict'ry, trials, and fears.  
We follow now their service, Devoted, Christ, to You.  
No matter what Your errand, We'll strive to follow through.**

**Through ministries supported, We've seen Your love outpoured.  
With mites that You've provided, We've learned to trust You, Lord.  
Our many hands have served You, Yet much is left undone.  
Your mission must continue In reaching everyone.**

**Lord, with Your love and guidance, We'll serve You faithfully.  
Wherever You should lead us, We'll follow willingly.**

**May we be bold in witness So others see Your grace.  
That we may one day worship Together face to face.**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*(You may be seated)*

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

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Confident in His steadfast love, we approach our heavenly Father, seeking His forgiveness.

**C:** **Merciful Father, I confess that I have sinned against You in thought, word, and action. I have done that which You forbid, and I have failed to do that which You command. I have grown timid and afraid when confronted by evil. I have not trusted You completely when facing challenges bigger than myself. For the sake of the atoning work of Your Son, Jesus Christ, my Savior, forgive me. By Your Holy Spirit, lead me to a faith more confident in Your wisdom, grace, and power. Lord, put my faith to work for the sake of Your kingdom. Amen.**

## **HAVE MERCY ON US, LORD**

*Tune: LSB 424*

**Have mercy on us, Lord. Receive our prayers and praise.  
Defend us by Your mighty Word Lord, comfort, help, and save.**

**Grace all who worship here With unity and peace.  
In all the world, both far and near, Your kingdom, Lord, increase!**

**P:** Almighty God in His mercy has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all of your sins. As a servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Tune: LSB 803*

**Look, the Table's spread before us, Foretaste of the feast to come.  
Christ, the Lamb of God, victorious, Has for us salvation won!  
Join the hymn of all creation, By His blood we are set free.  
Saints of ev'ry tribe and nation, Celebrate His jubilee!**

**Power, riches, honor, glory, Be to God and to the Lamb.  
His the vict'ry, His the story, Praise and thank the Great I AM.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Bless the Lord of earth and heav'n.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Life restored and sins forgiven!**

## **GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray.

Loving God, since we have not been given a spirit of fear but of power and of love and of a sound mind, help us to fan into flame Your gift of faith, which we have received through the people who have gone before us. Grant that we be strengthened to share this faith through compassionate service to other people; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns in communion and love with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

*Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4*

The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear?

Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save?

Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth.

For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.

I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower,

and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

And the Lord answered me:

“Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it.

For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie.

If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.

“Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him,  
but the righteous shall live by his faith.

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING**

*2 Timothy 1:1–14*

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I

may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

**L:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

### **ALLELUIA VERSE**

*Tune: Refrain of LSB 605*

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Celebrate what God has done.**

**Hear the gospel, Spread the story, God's good news for everyone!**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Luke 17:1-10*

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

**C:** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

And Jesus said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded?"

So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’”

**P:** The Gospel of our Lord.

**C:** Praise to You, O Christ!

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

### **SERMON HYMN: MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE**

*LSB 702*

**My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away;  
O let me from this day Be wholly Thine!**

**May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart; My zeal inspire!  
As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!**

**While life’s dark maze I tread And griefs around me spread, Be Thou my guide;  
Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow’s tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray From Thee aside.**

**When ends life’s transient dream, When death’s cold, sullen stream Shall o’er  
me roll,  
Blest Savior, then, in love, Fear and distrust remove;  
O bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!**

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### **SERMON: “MOVING MULBERRY TREES”**

*Pastor Mendez*

*And the Lord said, “If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you (Luke 17:6).*

### **WE CONFESS OUR FAITH USING THE WORDS OF THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

*(Please stand.)*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *(Please be Seated)*

**P:** Friends in Christ, lift up your hearts to God and pray with me.

**P:** Almighty God, give to your church a boldness of faith which is not afraid to go where You lead us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**P:** We thank You for the mission and ministry of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, supporting Your work across the world. By Your Spirit, strengthen and encourage all Christian women as they fulfill their various callings in service to You. Sustain our generosity as we support mission outreach through our LWML Mite Boxes. Lord, by Your power, multiply our gifts for Your kingdom's increase. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**P:** Bring healing, Lord, to those who are sick.... Bring comfort and hope to the grieving.... Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**P:** With grateful hearts we celebrate Your grace in the lives of the newly baptized, those just married, and those with birthdays and anniversaries. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**P:** For all who lead in the world and in our nation, and for those who lead in Your church; bless them to lead with humility, wisdom, justice, and peace. Protect all who serve us in harm's way. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**P:** Lord of life, use us, Your people, to provide for the poor and the hungry across the world. Through Your church, preserve and defend the unborn and all victims of hate and injustice. Renew our faith as we serve boldly in Your kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **WE WORSHIP GOD WITH OUR OFFERINGS**

*(The offering time is an opportunity for all of us 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)*

## **OFFERTORY HYMN: FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL WOMEN**

*LSB 855*

**For all the faithful women Who served in days of old,  
To You shall thanks be given; To all, their story told.**

**They served with strength and gladness In tasks Your wisdom gave.  
To You their lives bore witness, Proclaimed Your pow'r to save.**

**We sing of busy Martha, Who toiled with pot and pan  
While Mary sat in silence To hear the Word again.  
Christ, keep our hearts attentive To truth that You declare,  
And strengthen us for service When work becomes our prayer.**



**All praise to God the Father! All praise to Christ the Son!  
All praise the Holy Spirit, Who binds the Church in one!  
With saints who went before us, With saints who witness still,  
We sing glad Alleluias And strive to do Your will.**

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## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**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.**

**P:** It is truly good, right, and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of the universe, for You have had mercy on us and blessed us with a living, active faith in Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Here we remember and proclaim all that He has done for us, how He has saved us from sin, death, and hell by His bitter suffering and death and His glorious resurrection. Therefore with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**HOLY, HOLY HOLY!**

*Tune: LSB 443*

**Sing "Holy, holy, holy!" with all the saints in light.**

**"Hosanna, loud hosanna, Lord God of power and might!"**

**We join the ranks of angels in their celestial throng**

**"Hosanna in the highest!" shall be our endless song!**

## **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.**

**P:** In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command and with His own words, we receive His promises in this Sacrament.

### **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night 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 † 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 † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS** (*Please be seated*)

#### **LAMB OF GOD**

**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.**

#### **LORD JESUS CHRIST BE PRESENT NOW**

*LSB 902*

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, be present now; Our hearts in true devotion bow.  
Your Spirit send with light divine, And let Your truth within us shine.**
- 2 Unseal our lips to sing Your praise In endless hymns through all our days.  
Increase our faith and light our minds; And set us free from doubt that blinds.**
- 3 Then shall we join the hosts that cry, "O holy, holy Lord Most High!"  
And in the light of that blest place We then shall see You face to face.** *Public domain*

#### **JESUS COMES TODAY WITH HEALING**

*LSB 620*

- 1 Jesus comes today with healing, Knocking at my door, appealing,  
Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace.  
He Himself makes preparation, And I hear His invitation:  
"Come and taste the blessed feast."**
- 2 Christ Himself, the priest presiding, Yet in bread and wine abiding  
In this holy sacrament,**

**Gives the bread of life, once broken, And the cup, the precious token  
Of His sacred covenant.**

- 6 Now have I found consolation, Comfort in my tribulation,  
Balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror, Cleanses me from sin and error,  
Makes my wounded spirit whole.**

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## **DISMISSAL**

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve us in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **THANKSGIVING**

*Tune: LSB 789*

**Father, we thank You for all Your blessings  
Food at this table, graces divine,  
Oneness in faith, our Savior confessing  
His very presence, mystery sublime.**

**Yours is the kingdom. Yours is the sending.  
Yours is the message, rich with Your love,  
Ours for the telling, truth without ending,  
Ours for the singing, here and above.**

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P:** Let us pray.

O God the Father, we give You thanks that in this meal You strengthen us for service in Your kingdom. Your love in this sacrament motivates us to live out our faith in Jesus Christ, Your Son, in all of our callings and relationships. By Your Holy Spirit, give us grace to go out with boldness to witness to what we have seen and heard; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**P:** Let us bless the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN: SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS**

*Tune: LSB 662, Text: Prof. Ernest Lewerenz*

**“Serve the Lord with gladness!” It is He alone  
Who redeemed us sinners, Guides us as His own  
To enjoy the blessings Of His love and grace,  
Will at last in glory Meet us face to face.  
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:  
“Serve the Lord with gladness!” Glorify His name.**

**“Serve the Lord with gladness!” He gave us command  
To proclaim His Gospel Now in every land  
So that fellow sinners May, like us, be blest.  
Leading them to Jesus, We can serve Him best.  
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:  
“Serve the Lord with gladness!” Glorify His name!**

**“Serve the Lord with gladness!” There’s no greater joy  
Than to serve the Master, Work in His employ.  
As we build His kingdom Angels, too, rejoice  
Over every sinner Brought to hear His voice.  
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:  
“Serve the Lord with gladness!” Glorify His name!**

## **SENDING**

**P:** As we go out this day, let us remember our mission is...

**C:** **Making an eternal impact today through the love of Jesus Christ.**

## **THANK YOU PASTOR MENDEZ FOR BEING OUR GUEST PREACHER TODAY**

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