

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WHO WE ARE

We are a community grounded in the life and teachings of Jesus.

- We embrace an open approach to every spiritual journey.
- We ask questions together and value every voice.
- We strive for justice through service to the world.

We seek to be transformed by the path we walk together.

WE ARE A RECONCILING IN CHRIST CONGREGATION

We are a community embraced by the mystery of God's love for all creation.

We look for the Christ shining in every race, every child and family shape, every sexual orientation and gender identity, every physical and mental ability, every economic status, and every faith perspective. Within this dynamic community, we foster meaningful connections and experiences as we live into faith and face the issues of our time.

Together, we strive to live with loving hearts, open minds, and hands extended to all.

"... for all of you are one in Christ." – Gal. 3:2

PRELUDE

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Forgive us, O God,

For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you, and for desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Refrain (sung)

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy on me.

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Forgive us, O God,

For failing to recognize your coming reign, for hindering the work of the Spirit, and for disregarding voices from the margin:

Refrain (sung)

Forgive us, O God,

For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, for disdainning the living water Christ offers, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world:

Refrain (sung)

Forgive us, O God,

For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life:

Refrain (sung)

God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound. Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

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GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Let us pray....

The community is seated

SONG

Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery

ELW 334

We will sing the first three verses each week, plus one additional verse:

February 22, "Lent 1" verse

March 1, "Lent 2" verse

March 8, "Lent 3" verse

March 15, "Lent 4" verse

March 22, "Lent 5" verse

FIRST LESSON

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Please rise as you are able, in body and spirit

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

GOSPEL

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The Holy Gospel according to St. _____.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The community is seated

SERMON

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Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit

HYMN OF THE DAY

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 COMMUNITY

After each petition,

Hear us, O God,

Your mercy is great.

SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

The community is invited to share a sign of peace with one another.

OFFERING

Here at Our Savior's there are many ways to support our ministries: through your time, talents, and treasures. Folks can give online through Simply Giving– found on our web-site, set up a recurring gift, or simply place your gift in the offering plates in the center aisle. These contributions help us to do the work of Jesus in the world through our ministry here and our work in the community and we're grateful for your participation in that mission we share.

If you are a visitor, please know that the greatest gift you could give us is to share your contact information on our welcome cards in the pew. We would love to follow up with you and welcome you into this community, when you're ready.

OFFERING OF MUSIC

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OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God our provider,

you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

In the night which he was betrayed,...

Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

The gifts of God are free. Are all welcome at the Lord's table. We use gluten-free wafers for communion. The dark colored liquid is wine, the light-colored liquid is grape juice.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

please rise as you are able, in body or spirit

Generous Host,

you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit,
+ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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