

# **OUR SAYIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# **Pastor Joe Johnson**

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> Sunday, May 19, 2024 Senior Recognition Sunday 10:30 AM



PRELUDE THE FIRE

#### **SENIOR PROCESSION**

**OPENING SONG:** "Help Me Find It"

I don't know where to go from here, It all used to seem so clear, I'm finding I can't do this on my own. I don't know where to go from here, As long as I know that You are near, I'm done fighting, I'm finally letting go. I will trust in You. You've never failed before. I will trust in You.

**Chorus:** If there's a road I should walk, help me find it, If I need to be still, give me peace for the moment, Whatever Your will, whatever Your will, Can you help me find it? Can you help me find it?

I'm giving You fear and You give faith, I'm giving you doubt, You give me grace, For every step I've never been alone. Even when it hurts, You'll have Your way, Even in the valley I will say, With every breath, You've never let me go.

I will wait for You. You've never failed before. I will wait for You (Chorus)

I lift my empty hands (come fill me up again), Have Your way my King (I give my all to You), I lift my eyes again (Was blind but now I see), 'Cause You are all I need (Chorus) Can you help me find it?

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L (Leader); C (Congregation)

L: We gather today in the name of the triune God, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

L: God of all time and place, we acknowledge all that we are. The ways that we fall short and all the ways that we need you. Renew our hearts and shape our minds, that we could readily worship and follow you.

C: Amen

L: Forgiving God,

C: We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition. We judge and condemn. We do not turn to You as the source of our healing. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service recognizing him in all our paths. Amen.

L: Friends in Christ, know this: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting, and I remind you of this surpassing grace in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

C: Amen.

#### **GREETING**

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

SONG OF PRAISE: "Lord, I Need You"

Lord, I come, I confess, bowing here, I find my rest. And without You, I fall apart, You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus: Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, ev'ry hour I need You.

My one defense, my righteousness; Oh, God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is found is where You are. And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me. Where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me. (Chorus 2X)

My one defense, my righteousness; Oh, God, how I need You.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

L: God of wisdom,

C: We gather as a community to praise you, and all the ways you have been present in the lives and education of these graduating seniors. Help us to accompany them on their new paths, whether near or far. Amen.

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 29:11-13

<sup>11</sup> For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. <sup>12</sup> Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. <sup>13</sup> When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart,

**SECOND READING:** Acts 2:1-4 "The Coming of the Holy Spirit" When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind,

and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

L: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

#### **SONG for the WORD:** "Holy Spirit" (Chorus)

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here. Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere. Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for. To be overcome by Your presence, Lord, Your presence, Lord

#### GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:13-35

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" 19 He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." 25 Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

#### MESSAGE

**SONG OF THE DAY: "Walk by Faith"** 

Would I believe You when You say Your hand will guide my every way? Will I receive the words You say ev 'ry moment of ev'ry day?

**Chorus:** Well, I will walk by faith, even when I cannot see. Because this broken road prepares Your will for me.

Help me to rid my endless fears; You've been so faithful for all my years. With the one breath You make me new; Your grace covers all I do. (Chorus)

I'm broken, but I still see Your face. You've spoken, pouring Your words of grace.

(Chorus 2X) Hallelujah, hallelu. Hallelujah, hallelu. Hallelujah, hallelu. Hallelujah, hallelu.

#### PRAYER SONG: "In Jesus' Name"

I speak the name of Jesus over you. In your hurting, in your sorrow I will ask my God to move. I speak the name 'cause it's all that I can do. In desperation, I'll seek heaven, and pray this for you.

I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

PRAYER SONG: "In Jesus' Name" Continued

I speak the name of all authority, Declaring blessings, ev'ry promise He is faithful to keep. I speak the name no grave could ever hold. He is greater, He is stronger, He's the God of possible.

**Refrain:** I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

Come believe it, come receive it. Oh, the power of His Spirit is now forever yours. Come believe it, come receive it. In the mighty name of Jesus, all things are possible. (Refrain)

I pray for revival, for restoration of faith.

I pray that the dead will come to life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

#### 2024 SENIOR RECOGNITION / VIDEO

#### **OFFERING / OFFERTORY:** "Multiplied" Chorus

God of mercy, sweet love of mine, I have surrendered to Your design. May this offering stretch across the skies, and these hallelujahs be multiplied.

#### OFFERING PRAYER

L: Merciful God, we offer all that we have to you. We offer our time, talents, and treasures. May this offering be multiplied and given for your glory.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER ELW p. 154

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.

#### SENDING SONG: "Brother"

Ramblers in the wilderness we can't find what we need, We get a little restless from the searching, Get a little worn down in between, Like a bull chasing the matador is the man left to his own schemes, Everybody needs someone beside em' shining like a lighthouse from the sea.

**Chorus:** Brother, let me be your shelter, Never leave you all alone, I can be the one you call, when you're low. Brother, let me be your fortress, When the night winds are driving on, Be the one to light the way, Bring you home.

Face down in the desert now there's a cage locked around my heart, I found a way to drop the keys where my failures were, Now my hands can't reach that far, I ain't made for a rivalry I could never take the world alone, I know that in my weakness I am strong, but it's your love that brings me home. (Chorus)

And when you call and need me near, Sayin' where'd you go? Brother, I'm right here, And on those days when the sky begins to fall, You're the blood of my blood, We can get through it all. (Chorus 2X) Be the one to light the way, Bring you home

#### **BLESSING / THREE BELLS**

The Blessing of Grace by The Rev. William Sloane Coffin

L: May God give you the grace never to sell yourself short; Grace to risk something big for something good; and Grace to remember the world is now too dangerous for anything but the truth and too small for anything but love.

#### **DISMISSAL / POSTLUDE**

L: Go in peace. We are with you. God is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

# O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

## Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Cayden Fandrich, Gregg Webster

# God's Healing Presence for...

Sonja Diehl Kim Olson (Pastor Joe's cousin)

Larry (Butch) Lovas Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Mel Erdmann Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Sandra Mustad John (Veronika Pawlikowski's dad)

Kenna Kappes Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)

Becky Foss Tom Wait (friend of Jon Bertsch)

Peggy Gilbertson Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger Jane Olson (Brittany Thompson's mom)

Liz Hanson Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Karen Paulson Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)

Monica Webster Rick Krogstad (Erin Thompson's dad)
Tammy Carver Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)

Susie Anderson Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)

Charlie Anderson Grayson Nelson (Dontray and Grace's son)
Patrick Flanagan Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)

Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)

Grant Anderson (Erin Thompson's nephew)

Lane Neuschwander (infant nephew of Kari & Jeff Bjorge)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:

**Our Sympathy to...** Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

**EDUCATION PASTOR:** Amanda Johnson **VISITATION MINISTER:** Joy McSparron

8:30 ORGANIST: Karen Alfson LECTOR: (8:30) Rita Fandrich

HEAD USHERS: (8:30) Peter Lovas (10:30) Steph and Zach Hinkle family

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Ryland Carlson, Lillie Drake (10:30) Liam Edenborg, James Funches

**ATTENDANCE:** May 12, 2024 – (8:30) 49 and (10:30) 32

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** May 12, 2024: \$1,929.00; May to date: \$5,552.00;

Income through April 30, 2024: \$155,612.87; Expenses through April 30, 2024: \$129,692.24.

Income less Expense: \$25,920.63

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)



# **CONGRATULATIONS and GOD'S BLESSINGS** to Our Savior's graduating seniors!

Mallory Alfson, Boeden Allen, Christian Brist, Kason Buchholz, McKenna Dickhoff, Zander Hudson,

Carter Iverson, Kaden Kozojed, Addyson Merck, Jerod Nathan, Kate Oanes, Peter Oanes, Tom Oanes, Molly Smelden, Lauren Spokely, Monserrat Garza, Hope Frey, Keira Ramirez

A **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** is scheduled for TODAY! **Sunday, May 19 at 11:30am** to discuss the possible purchase of neighboring property that has recently come up for sale.

A REMEMBRANCE SERVICE at the HMC Care Center will be held on Thursday, May 23 at 1:30pm. This will be instead of our usual 10:45am service that day. All are Welcome!

PIE SOCIAL & USED BOOK SALE: Thursday, May 30 from 2-5 p.m. at the Plummer House. Come & enjoy a piece of pie, coffee, and conversation for a donation. Whole pies will be available for purchase. Used books will be sold on the porch. Proceeds will support the OSLC summer youth trip & the Traill County Historical Society.

- We are looking for donations of books in good condition. No encyclopedias or dictionaries. Books can be dropped off at Traill District Health Unit in the county courthouse.
- Would you like to showcase your pastry skills? Also looking for pie bakers!

Questions: Contact Brenda Stallman at 430-0538.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "We Are God's Masterpiece" Ephesians 2:10

VBS will be held starting Monday, July 29 through Wednesday, July 31 from 9am-2pm for students grades 1-7 (2024-25). Preschool children ages 3-5 (going into Kindergarten) will go July 30-31 from 9-11am. Registration forms are available in the Courtyard or by contacting the church office. Register by June 1, 2024. Cost is \$10.

### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

# Sunday, May 19

8:30am Traditional Worship

9:30am Cake & Coffee / Fellowship

10:30am Contemporary Worship / Senior Recognition

11:30am Congregational Meeting 7:00pm AA Meeting (OSLC)

# Monday, May 20 Meal Delivery Week

# Tuesday, May 21

7:00am Text Bible Study (Subway)

# Wednesday, May 22

7:00am Men's Bible Study (Subway)

#### Thursday, May 23

1:30pm Remembrance Service at HMC Care Center

# Sunday, May 26 (Summer Schedule Begins)

9:30am Worship Service

10:30am Coffee/Fellowship 7:00pm AA Meeting (OSLC)

# Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day

(Church Office closed)

# Our Savior's Youth QUILT & COOLER RAFFLE

A Drawing for a chance to win a Queen Size Handmade Quilt, or a Yeti Roadie 24 Cooler, or a Yeti Tundra 65 Cooler will be held on **Sunday**, **May 26, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.** at Our Savior's Lutheran Church.

Tickets \$10 each

Not a charitable donation. Need not be present to win.

Contact the Church Office for more info.

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