# **OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

## **Pastor Joe Johnson**

Cindy Doeden - Church Office: 636-5701; Hours: 9am-3pm, M-F Radio Broadcast at 9:30am on KMSR 1520 AM TV Broadcast at 9:30am on HTC Channel 34

> Sunday, August 18, 2024 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 AM

PRELUDE Organist: Karen Alfson

#### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING HYMN:** "Let the Whole Creation Cry"

**ELW 876** 

- 1) Let the whole creation cry, "Glory to the Lord on high!" Heav'n and earth, awake and sing, "Praise to our almighty king!" Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love; sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice.
- 2) Servants striving for the Lord, prophets burning with the word, those to whom the arts belong add their voices to the song. Pow'rs of knowledge and of law, to the glorious circle draw; all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
- 3) Men and women, young and old, raise the anthem loud and bold, and let children's happy hearts in this worship take their parts; from the north to southern pole let the mighty chorus roll: "Holy, Holy, Holy One; glory be to God alone!"

# BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS L (Leader); C (Congregation)

L: In the name of the Father, and of the \$\Psi\$Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

- L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- L: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

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.

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** "How Good, Lord, to Be Here!"

**ELW 315** 

- 1) How good, Lord, to be here! Your glory fills the night; your face and garments, like the sun, shine with unborrowed light.
- 2) How good, Lord, to be here, your beauty to behold where Moses and Elijah stand, your messengers of old.
- 3) Fulfiller of the past and hope of things to be, we hail your body glorified and our redemption see.
- 4) Before we taste of death, we see your kingdom come; we long to hold the vision bright and make this hill our home.
- 5) How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not remain; but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of all creation,

C: Every good thing you have created and given to us. Help us to see the beauty around us and fill us with gratitude for all that we have, all that we are, and all that is to come. Amen.

# FIRST READING: Philippians 4:4-9

- <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
- <sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## **ACCLAMATION** *ELW p. 151*

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

WORD of the DAY: Genesis 1

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE "Drinking Tea"

BLESSING: For When Its Been a Great Day by Kate Bowler and Jessica Richie

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

1) Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be

**ELW 733** 

**Refrain:** Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me. (Continued...)

2) Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

**Refrain:** Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

3) Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

PRAYER SONG ELW 752

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer. (Repeat Prayer Song)

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### OFFERING

**OFFERTORY:** "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW 186

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

#### OFFERING PRAYER

# 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 HYMN: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

**ELW 547** 

- 1) Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave. The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended the fruits of this service in all who believe. The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us to work for your kingdom and answer your call.
- 2) With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living, the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face, our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring, embracing God's children, the whole human race. With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us; unite us as one in this life that we share. Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

## **BLESSING / THREE BELLS**

#### DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Helping people experience the Love of God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

# O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

# Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Glen Hultin, Joel Thorsrud, Jaden Kent

# God's Healing Presence for...

Mason Carlsrud Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)

Sonja Diehl Lane Neuschwander (nephew of Kari & Jeff Bjorge)

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

Kenna Kappes Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Becky Foss Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Peggy Gilbertson Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger Grant Anderson (Erin Thompson's nephew)

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)
Carol Christianson Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)

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

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

Kim Olson (Pastor Joe's cousin) Tom Wait (friend of Jon Bertsch)

Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)

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:** Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

VISITATION MINISTER: Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

**HEAD USHER:** Peter Lovas

**ATTENDANCE:** August 11, 2024 – 70

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** August 11, 2024: \$1,961.00; August to date: \$3,395.00;

Income through July 31, 2024: \$ 212,324.39; Expenses through July 31, 2024: \$ 226,786.19.

Income less Expense: -\$14,461.80

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

AN OPEN HOUSE WEDDING SHOWER for Veronika Pawlikowski (fiancé of Briar Lee) will be held on Saturday, August 24 from 2-4pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Hillsboro.

# MORGAN PTACEK BENEFIT - Sunday, <u>August 25</u>, 2024 from 8:00am-1:00pm at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Hillsboro

KC Pancakes and Bake Sale. Free Will Offering. Monetary donations can be made to the "Morgan Ptacek Benefit" and mailed to Goose River Bank, 515 W. Caledonia Ave, Hillsboro, ND 58045.

Morgan will be a Senior at Hillsboro H.S. She is the daughter of Eric and Grace Ptacek and sister to McKenzie, Piper, and Presley Ptacek. She developed Polycystic Kidney Disease at a young age, which has resulted in declined kidney function, requiring kidney transplantation in the very near future. If you are interested in being screened as a potential donor for Morgan, and are between the ages of 18-55, please go to <a href="mailto:mhealth.donorscreen.org">mhealth.donorscreen.org</a> to apply. The process is anonymous to the family. The institute is the University of Minnesota Fairview.

# UPCOMING PARENT MEETINGS: Wednesday, August 28, 2024

6:00 PM - Sunday school parents meet

6:30 PM - Confirmation parents & students meet

A lot of information! Please try to attend!

**WELCA's 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Convention** is scheduled for **Saturday, September 28, 2024** at Sharon Lutheran Church, 17<sup>th</sup> Ave and 20<sup>th</sup> St, Grand Forks. "I Was a Stranger...Matt. 25:43" Keynote Speaker: Cynthia Shabb, Global Friends Coalition. Speakers: Deacon Jamie Travers, Presiding, and Gwen Edwards, Churchwide Rep. Check-In and Coffee Hour begin at 8 a.m.; Sessions begin at 9 a.m.

We usually send a group to this event. Please **contact Paulette Bowersox** at 636-5271 by September 5<sup>th</sup> (the next WELCA Meeting), if you are interested in going. Group Transportation will be arranged.

**SERVICE PROJECTS** for the SWO Fall Convention include collecting **YARN** for the James River Correctional Facility and assembling BLESSING BAGS for the Community Violence Intervention Center of Grand Forks. There is a container in the OSLC Courtyard to collect items for these projects.

**ITEMS NEEDED** for the Blessing Bags include Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Dental Floss, Wide tooth combs, hair brushes, hair bands, Adult Coloring Books and pre-sharpened Color Pencils. Please donate what you can for this worthwhile project.

**OSLC SENIOR CHOIR AND GOSBELLS** begin practice on **Monday, September 9**<sup>th</sup>! Choir practices from 6:30-7:15pm downstairs in the room just off the dining room and GosBELLs practice from 7:30-8:30pm in the sanctuary. All are welcome to come and join in sharing the love of Jesus through song!

AN OPEN HOUSE BABY SHOWER for Nadia Robb-Kern will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 2-4pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Hillsboro. Requesting a Children's book instead of a card – signed with your personal note. Baby Girl Kern is due in November! Nadia and Nolan are Registered at Target & Amazon.

# **WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

## Sunday, August 18

9:30am Worship Service 10:30am Coffee/Fellowship 7:00pm AA Meeting (OSLC)

# Monday, August 19

Meal Delivery Week

Steeple Talk news for Sept. due!

# Tuesday, August 20

7:00am Text Bible Study (Subway)

# Wednesday, August 21

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

Pastor Joe: 701.430.3787

## Thursday, August 22

10:45am Worship Service at Care Center

## Saturday, August 24

2-4pm Open House Wedding Shower -Veronika Pawlikowski (Briar Lee)

## Sunday, August 25

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