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# *Divine Service*



*Our Savior Lutheran Church*

*Westminster, Massachusetts*

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# Our Savior Lutheran Church

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## Visitor, you are very welcome here.

Please contact us with questions or prayer requests, and come worship with us again. Our pastor would be very glad to meet with you. May our Lord's Word be a blessing to all who gather in His name.

For those caring for young children or who have difficulty standing for the prayers, hymns, or other parts of the service, please know that you may sit as you find need or comfort.

Don't be embarrassed if your children make noise during worship—all children do. We encourage families to worship together. If needed, there is a nursery available in the basement during service and Bible class.

Out of courtesy to your brothers and sisters, please turn off your cell phone ringer and refrain from leaving or entering the sanctuary during the readings and the prayers.

## Holy Communion

We welcome to the Lord's Table members of Our Savior and members of sister congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Pastor Gregory would be very glad to instruct you so that you can confess Jesus Christ with us and receive His holy body and blood for forgiveness, life, and salvation.

## Spiritual Care

Individual confession and absolution, spiritual care, and pastoral counsel are available by appointment. Please contact the church office to schedule a time.

## Christian Education

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study follow the service. Pre-Kindergarten through seventh grade students meet in the basement, high school students in pastors' study, and adults in the sanctuary.

## Serving in Worship Today

Celebrant	Rev. Peter Gregory
Liturgist	Paul Duggins
Organist	Deborah Colageo
Acolytes	John Terhune, Landon Vega

## Prayers for Worship

*For likeness to Christ:* O God, by the patient suffering of Your only-begotten Son You have beaten down the pride of the old enemy. Now help us, we humbly pray, rightly to treasure in our hearts all that our Lord has of His goodness borne for our sake that following His blessed example we may bear with patience all that is adverse to us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*For obedience to the Word:* O holy and most merciful God, You have taught us the way of Your commandments. We implore You to pour out Your grace into our hearts. Cause it to bear fruit in us that, being ever mindful of Your mercies and Your laws, we may always be directed to Your will and daily increase in love toward You and one another. Enable us to resist all evil and to live a godly life. Help us to follow the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to walk in His steps until we shall possess the kingdom that has been prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*For proper use of wealth:* Almighty God, all that we possess is from Your loving hand. Give us grace that we may honor You with all we own, always remembering the account we must one day give to Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Cover Image

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> Note: The offering of tithes and gifts will be received in the offering box as you enter the nave for the service.  
They will be presented before the Lord's altar prior to the Prayer of the Church. <

THE OPENING HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 906

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| <p>1 O day of rest and gladness,<br/>O day of joy and light,<br/>O balm of care and sadness,<br/>Most beautiful, most bright;<br/>This day the high and lowly,<br/>Through ages joined to bless,<br/>Sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"<br/>The triune God confess.</p> <p>2 This day at earth's creation<br/>The light first had its birth;<br/>This day for our salvation<br/>Christ rose from depths of earth;<br/>This day our Lord victorious<br/>The Spirit sent from heav'n,<br/>And thus this day most glorious<br/>A threefold light was giv'n.</p> | <p>3 This day, God's people meeting,<br/>His Holy Scripture hear;<br/>His living presence greeting,<br/>Through bread and wine made near.<br/>We journey on, believing,<br/>Renewed with heav'nly might,<br/>From grace more grace receiving,<br/>On this blest day of light.</p> <p>△ 4 That light our hope sustaining,<br/>We walk the pilgrim way,<br/>At length our rest attaining,<br/>Our endless Sabbath day.<br/>We sing to Thee our praises,<br/>O Father, Spirit, Son;<br/>The Church her voice upraises<br/>To Thee, blest Three in One.</p> |
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THE INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

*In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

*Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with sincere hearts to confess our sins to God, our Father, and to plead in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ for His forgiveness.*

*Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.*

Psalm 124:8

*I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,  
and You forgave the guilt of my sin.*

Psalm 32:5

All-Powerful God, merciful Father, I, a poor, pitiful sinner, confess to You all my sins and unrighteousness. By them I have continually offended You and fairly deserved Your punishment, both now and eternally. But from my heart I am sorry for them, and I sincerely repent of them, and I pray You, in Your limitless mercy for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

## *The Absolution*

[John 20:19–23]

**Amen.**

THE INTROIT

Psalm 112:1, 3–6

*Praise the LORD! Blessèd is the man who fears the LORD,*  
**who greatly delights in His commandments!**

*Wealth and riches are in his house,*  
**and his righteousness endures forever.**

*Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;*  
**he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

*It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;*  
**who conducts his affairs with justice.**

*For the righteous will never be moved;*  
**he will be remembered forever.**

THE GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE KYRIE

Mark 10:47

**Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.**

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

*Glory to God on high:*

**and on earth peace, good will toward men.**

**We praise You, we bless You, we worship You,  
we glorify You, we give thanks to You for Your great glory.**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**

**You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.  
For You only are holy; You only are the Lord.  
You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, are most high  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22

*The Lord be with you.*  
**And with your spirit.**

THE COLLECT

*Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

## ***The Reading of God's Word***

*from the Old Testament: Amos 5:6–7, 10–15*

*After the reading:*

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 90:12–17; antiphon v. 1

*LORD, You have been our dwelling place*  
**in all generations.**

*So teach us to number our days*  
**that we may get a heart of wisdom.**

*Return, O LORD! How long?*  
**Have pity on Your servants!**

*Satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love,*  
**that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

*Make us glad for as many days as You have afflicted us,*  
**and for as many years as we have seen evil.**

*Let Your work be shown to Your servants,*  
**and Your glorious power to their children.**

*Let the favor of the LORD our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us;*  
**yes, establish the work of our hands!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

*LORD, You have been our dwelling place  
in all generations.*

*from the Letters: Hebrews 3:12–19*

*After the reading:*

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

*from the Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17–22*

**Glory be to You, O Lord!**

*After the reading:*

**Praise be to You, O Christ!**

*THE NICENE CREED*

*Having heard the Word, what do you believe?*

**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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father, and He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one, holy, catholic, 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.**



1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tow - er; Thee will I  
 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Sav - ior, Who art my  
 3 I thank Thee, Je - sus, Sun from heav - en, Whose ra - diance  
 4 O keep me watch - ful, then, and hum - ble; Per - mit me  
 5 Thee will I love, my crown of glad - ness; Thee will I



love, my hope, my joy. Thee will I love with all my  
 best and tru - est friend. Thee will I love and praise for -  
 hath brought light to me; I thank Thee, who hast rich - ly  
 nev - er - more to stray. Up - hold me when my feet would  
 love, my God and Lord, A - mid the dark - est depths of



pow - er, With ar - dor time shall ne'er de - stroy. Thee will I  
 ev - er, For nev - er shall Thy kind - ness end. Thee will I  
 giv - en All that could make me glad and free; I thank Thee  
 stum - ble, And keep me on the nar - row way. Fill all my  
 sad - ness, And not for hope of high re - ward, For Thine own



love, O Light di - vine, So long as life is mine.  
 love with all my heart— Thou my Re - deem - er art!  
 that my soul is healed By what Thy lips re - vealed.  
 na - ture with Thy light, O Ra - diance strong and bright!  
 sake, O Light di - vine, So long as life is mine.

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## *The Sermon*

*Mark 10:17–22*

THE OFFERTORY

*Psalm 51:10–12*

**Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
 Do not cast me out of Your presence, nor take Your Holy Spirit from me.  
 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and sustain me with a free spirit. Amen.**

## *The Presentation of the Offering*

*I will offer the thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.*

**O LORD, my strength, I love You.**

## ***The Prayer of the Church***

*each petition closes with the words:*

**Lord, in Your mercy,  
hear our prayer.**

THE PREFACE

*The Lord be with you.*

2 Timothy 4:22

**And with your spirit.**

*Lift up your hearts!*

[Colossians 3:1]

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

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

[Psalm 136]

**It is good and right that we do.**

THE PROPER PREFACE

*It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

THE SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

**Holy, holy, holy LORD God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9–13

**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.**

## ***The Words of Institution***

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

THE PAX DOMINI

John 20:19

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

**Amen.**



O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
grant us Your peace. Amen.

## *Holy Communion*

> Note about Holy Communion: All who receive Holy Communion here must first be instructed. Our pastor will be very glad to instruct you. Please contact the office for an appointment. Those who have not been instructed may come forward with their arms crossed to receive a blessing. <

DISTRIBUTION HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 627

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| <p>1 Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior,<br/>Turned away God's wrath forever;<br/>By His bitter grief and woe<br/>He saved us from the evil foe.</p>         | <p>6 Agony and bitter labor<br/>Were the cost of God's high favor;<br/>Do not come if you suppose<br/>You need not Him who died and rose.</p>                       |
| <p>2 As His pledge of love undying,<br/>He, this precious food supplying,<br/>Gives His body with the bread,<br/>And with the wine the blood He shed.</p>  | <p>7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor,<br/>And receive My grace and favor:<br/>Those who feel no pain or ill<br/>Need no physician's help or skill.</p>       |
| <p>3 Jesus here Himself is sharing;<br/>Heed then how you are preparing,<br/>For if you do not believe,<br/>His judgment then you shall receive.</p>       | <p>8 "For what purpose was My dying<br/>If not for your justifying?<br/>And what use this precious food<br/>If you yourself were pure and good?"</p>                |
| <p>4 Praise the Father, who from heaven<br/>To His own this food has given,<br/>Who, to mend what we have done,<br/>Gave into death His only Son.</p>      | <p>9 If your heart this truth professes<br/>And your mouth your sin confesses,<br/>You will be your Savior's guest,<br/>Be at His banquet truly blest.</p>          |
| <p>5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken<br/>That this food is to be taken<br/>By the sick who are distressed,<br/>By hearts that long for peace and rest.</p> | <p>10 Let this food your faith so nourish<br/>That its fruit of love may flourish<br/>And your neighbor learn from you<br/>How much God's wondrous love can do.</p> |

- 1 Christ, the life of all the living,  
 Christ, the death of death, our foe,  
 Who, Thyself for me once giving  
 To the darkest depths of woe:  
 Through Thy suff'rings, death, and merit  
 I eternal life inherit.  
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee  
 Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;  
 Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,  
 O Thou sinless Son of God!  
 Thus didst Thou my soul deliver  
 From the bonds of sin forever.  
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 3 Thou hast borne the smiting only  
 That my wounds might all be whole;  
 Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,  
 Rest to give my weary soul;  
 Yea, the curse of God enduring,  
 Blessing unto me securing.  
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 4 Heartless scoffers did surround Thee,  
 Treating Thee with shameful scorn  
 And with piercing thorns they crowned Thee.  
 All disgrace Thou, Lord, hast borne,  
 That as Thine Thou mightest own me  
 And with heav'nly glory crown me.  
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 5 Thou hast suffered men to bruise Thee,  
 That from pain I might be free;  
 Falsely did Thy foes accuse Thee:  
 Thence I gain security;  
 Comfortless Thy soul did languish  
 Me to comfort in my anguish.  
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction  
 And hast borne it patiently,  
 Even death by crucifixion,  
 Fully to atone for me;  
 Thou didst choose to be tormented  
 That my doom should be prevented.  
 Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
 Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,  
 For Thy sorrows deep and sore,  
 For Thine anguish in the Garden,  
 I will thank Thee evermore,  
 Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,  
 For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,  
 For that last triumphant cry,  
 And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

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THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29–32

Now, Lord, You dismiss Your servant in peace, as You have promised,  
 for my eyes have seen the Salvation You prepared before the face of all people,  
 a Light to enlighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Your people Israel!  
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!*

**And His mercy endures forever!**

## THE THANKSGIVING COLLECT

*Let us pray. We thank You, All-Powerful God, for refreshing us with this healing gift, and we pray: Father of mercy, by this Holy Food make us strong in faith toward You, and in deep love for each other, that through us other beloved sinners may kneel to You and receive with us grace and life in Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

## THE SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22

*The Lord be with you.*

**And with your spirit.**

## THE BENEDICAMUS

[Psalm 103:1]

*Bless we the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God!**

## THE BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

*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 ✠ give you peace.*

**Amen. Amen. Amen.**

## THE CLOSING HYMN – TUNE &amp; TEXT: LSB 576

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| <p><b>1 My hope is built on nothing less<br/>Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;<br/>No merit of my own I claim<br/>But wholly lean on Jesus' name.</b></p> <p><i>refrain</i> <b>On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;<br/>All other ground is sinking sand,<br/>All other ground is sinking sand.</b></p> <p><b>2 When darkness veils His lovely face,<br/>I rest on His unchanging grace;<br/>In ev'ry high and stormy gale<br/>My anchor holds within the veil. <i>refrain</i></b></p> | <p><b>3 His oath, His covenant and blood<br/>Support me in the raging flood;<br/>When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,<br/>He then is all my hope and stay.</b></p> <p><i>refrain</i></p> <p><b>4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,<br/>Oh, may I then in Him be found,<br/>Clothed in His righteousness alone,<br/>Redeemed to stand before His throne!</b></p> <p><i>refrain</i></p> |
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# God's People at Prayer

## For Home Devotions

*The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Baptism.*

In the name of the Father and of the † Son  
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Readings from Holy Scripture

*These may be read in the morning and evening, as suggested here, or in any way that best works with your schedule.*

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Su	Deuteronomy 9:1–22	Matthew 11:1–19
M	Deut. 9:23–10:22	Matthew 11:20–30
Tu	Deuteronomy 11:1–25	Matthew 12:1–21
w	Deut. 11:26–12:12	Matthew 12:22–37
Th	Deuteronomy 12:13–32	Matthew 12:38–50
F	Deuteronomy 13:1–18	Matthew 13:1–23
Sa	Deut. 14:1–2, 22–23, 14:28–15:15	Matthew 13:24–43

### The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

*As the head of the family should teach it  
in a simple way to his household*

*How can water do such great things?* Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: "He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying." (Titus 3:5–8)

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### Hymn

*The hymn stanza may be sung or spoken.*

I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven,  
Whose radiance hath brought light to me;  
I thank Thee, who hast richly given  
All that could make me glad and free;  
I thank Thee that my soul is healed  
By what Thy lips revealed. LSB 694:3

### Daily Prayer

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

### Prayers for Others and Ourselves

*The following topics may guide your prayer each day.*

- Su For the joy of the resurrection among us
- M For one's calling and daily work, coworkers, and the unemployed
- Tu For deliverance against temptation and evil; for all who suffer and are afflicted
- W For immediate, extended, and church family; for our schools, communities, and neighborhoods
- Th For the Church and her pastors, all who serve in the congregation, and missionaries
- F For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; for the sick and dying
- Sa For faithfulness to the end; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word

### The Lord's Prayer

#### Collect of the Week

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Readings for next Sunday, October 10

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20; Psalm 119:9–16;  
Hebrews 4:1–13; Mark 10:23–31