

*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*September 1 & 2, 2018*



## OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**

**We Welcome All** who are worshiping with us today. Guests please fill out the guest card in the pew and sign the guest book in the Narthex. Peace be with you in Christ. We have discontinued the use of the pew cards to record member attendance and communion attendance.

**Attention Visitors: Thank you for joining us in Worship today.** We invite you to pick up a gift bag, available at the Welcome Center.

**Communion is Served Saturday Evening Service on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> weekends and at the Sunday 9:00 AM Service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> weekends.**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Our Savior in the belief that here God offers His very Body and Blood in the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. We are happy to welcome to the Lord's Table those who embrace this understanding of the nature of the sacrament, repent of sins, and seek to forgive and love as Christ forgives and loves us. We believe that such participation is a statement of fellowship and agreement with our church body and its teachings. As the bread and wine are distributed, white grape juice is also available in the individual cup tray for those that prefer an alternative to the red wine. If you have any questions, we ask that you talk with the pastor or one of the elders prior to the service.

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**YOUR CHILDREN MATTER TO GOD AND US!** A cry room is available for **infants and toddlers** if needed during worship services. The cry room is located close to the front door of the church next to the sanctuary. **A staffed nursery for ages 6-36 months is available during the Sunday 9 am worship service in the lower level.** Young children can choose one "Jesus Bag" to take with them into church. Please return the bag to the narthex after worship. Children may take a **children's worship bulletin** as they enter church. The yellow bulletin is for ages 3-6 and blue is for ages 7-12.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE:** Our church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask an elder for a receiver. **Large Print Orders of Service and Hymns** are available.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** today are presented to the Glory of God by Jim & Nancy Steenport in celebration of their 31<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary, Jim & Nancy!

# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Your Children and Your Children's Children

September 1 & 2, 2018

## AS WE GATHER

It has been said, "The Church is never more than one generation away from extinction." This bold statement perhaps finds support in the admonition found in today's Old Testament Reading. There Moses writes this concerning the works of the Lord, "Make them known to your children and your children's children" (Deuteronomy 4:9). Each generation has the responsibility, and privilege, of passing on the works of God to the next generation. While much of this teaching happens in the setting of a local congregation, the Christian instruction that happens in the home, in our own family, is key. This teaching is always centered in Jesus Christ, the one through whom our Lord has worked the mightiest work of all—our salvation. That same Savior promises that even the gates of hell will not prevail against His Church!

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

**PRELUDE** "Morning Mood" (E. Grieg)

**OPENING HYMN** "Come, Thou Almighty King" LSB 905

## MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. *Psalm 46:1*

## INVOCATION

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

**People:** Amen.

## OPENING SENTENCES *Ephesians 6:13*

**Pastor:** Therefore take up the whole armor of God,

**People:** **that you may be able to withstand in the evil day,**

**Pastor:** and having done all,

**People:** **to stand firm.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 51:2, 7, 10*

**Pastor:** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

**People:** **Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

**Pastor:** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people, let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**People:** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

**Pastor:** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

## ☩ WORD ☩

**HYMN OF PRAISE** "Fight the Good Fight" LSB 664

### SALUTATION

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

**People:** And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent,

**People:** that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works;

**Pastor:** through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9*

("Listen to the statutes and just decrees that I am teaching you.")

"And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. <sup>2</sup> You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you. <sup>6</sup> Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' <sup>7</sup> For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? <sup>8</sup> And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this law that I set before you today? <sup>9</sup> "Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children—

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM** *Psalms 119:129–136; antiphon: v. 132*

**Pastor:** Your testimonies are wonderful;  
therefore my soul keeps them.

**People:** The unfolding of Your words gives light;  
it imparts understanding to the simple.

**Pastor:** I open my mouth and pant,  
because I long for Your commandments.

**People:** Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
as is Your way with those who love Your name.

**Pastor:** Keep steady my steps according to Your promise,  
and let no iniquity get dominion over me.

**People:** Redeem me from man's oppression,  
that I may keep Your precepts.

**Pastor:** Make Your face shine upon Your servant,  
and teach me Your statutes.

**People:** My eyes shed streams of tears,  
because people do not keep Your law.

**All:** Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
as is Your way with those who love Your name.

## **EPISTLE** *Ephesians 6:10–20* (“Put on the whole armor of God.”)

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup> and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup> and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, <sup>18</sup> praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, <sup>19</sup> and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## **HOLY GOSPEL** *Mark 7:14–23* (What comes out of a man is what makes him “unclean.”)

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

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

<sup>14</sup> And he called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup> There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” <sup>17</sup> And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. <sup>18</sup> And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, <sup>19</sup> since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) <sup>20</sup> And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. <sup>21</sup> For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, <sup>22</sup> coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. <sup>23</sup> All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “Amazing Grace” LSB 744

## SERMON "Don't Tell"

**CREED** Saturday – Nicene Creed Sunday – Apostles' Creed  
*(Creeds can be found on the back cover of the hymnal.)*

**OFFERING** "Come, Come Ye Saints" (A. Christiansen)

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray

**People:** **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *Psalm 119:132*

Pastor: We come before our Lord in prayer, saying along with the psalmist, "Turn to me and be gracious to me, as is Your way with those who love Your name."

O Lord, You spoke through Your servant Moses, instructing us to teach Your Word to future generations. Grant us diligence in sharing Christ with our children and our children's children, that they may know Him as their Savior.

Turn to me and be gracious to me,

**People:** **as is Your way with those who love Your name.**

Pastor: O Lord, the apostle Paul warns us of Satan and his schemes. We thank You that You do not leave us defenseless but give us Your armor to guard and defend us.

Turn to me and be gracious to me,

**People:** **as is Your way with those who love Your name.**

Pastor: O Lord, You have the power to heal and to restore, and so we humbly ask that You look with favor upon the sick and hurting in body, mind, or spirit, [*especially . . .*]. Give to them strength and restoration according to Your perfect will.

Turn to me and be gracious to me,

**People:** **as is Your way with those who love Your name.**

Pastor: O Lord, we thank You for those who serve on behalf of others, including teachers, first responders, and those in the armed forces of our land. Watch over and bless these individuals as they fulfill these vocations with selflessness and honor.

Turn to me and be gracious to me,

**People:** **as is Your way with those who love Your name.**

Pastor: O Lord, give us faithful hearts with which to receive Your Son's body and blood at Your Table. Grant that it strengthen and sustain us in the one true faith. Turn to me and be gracious to me,

**People:** **as is Your way with those who love Your name.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy.

**People:** **Amen.**

***Saturday service please continue with the Sacrament***

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

### BENEDICTION *Ephesians 6:13*

Pastor: Therefore take up the whole armor of God,

**People:** **that you may be able to withstand in the evil day,**

Pastor: and having done all,  
**People:** **to stand firm.**  
Pastor: 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. *Numbers 6:24–26*  
**People:** **Amen.**

**HYMN** “Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus” LSB 660

**POSTLUDE** “Lift High the Cross” (D. Busarow)

## ✠ SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*  
**People:** **And also with you.**  
Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *Colossians 3:1*  
**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Psalms 136*  
**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, 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:

**SANCTUS** LSB 161

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

### LORD’S PRAYER

### PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**People:** **Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI** LSB 163

### DISTRIBUTION

“I Come O Savior, to thy Table” LSB 618

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

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***Thank you, Erich Zorr, for serving as our organist today.***

**Serving Him Today**

- Elder/Helper    Saturday – Don Secord, Dick Cherney  
                          Sunday – Steve Kolling
- Ushers           Saturday – Dick Cherney, Debbie Holewinski, Dave Goddard, Kris Secord  
                          Sunday – Jack Toivonen, Ken Kuntz, Dave Liedtke, Sue Frank
- Greeters        Saturday – Lynn Parker  
                          Sunday – Carol Johnson, Joan Holdmann
- Readers         Saturday – Debbie Holewinski  
                          Sunday – Diane Kuntz
- Media Operators  
                          Saturday – Dan Scafaro  
                          Sunday – Sharon Gifford
- Altar Care – Shirley Knitt & Miriam Gilman
- Nursery – Sunday 9:00 am Service –

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***THE MISSION OF OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH IS TO EQUIP AND ENCOURAGE  
 FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST TO SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH PEOPLE IN OUR  
 COMMUNITY AND IN THE WORLD SO THAT ALL MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE.***  
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**THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR:**

- Monday            03** Labor Day
- Tuesday         04** 7:15 am – 7:45 am Doughnuts & Blessings  
                          9:30 am Quilters  
                          10:30 am Staff Meeting  
                          7:00 pm Choir
- Wednesday      05** 6:30 pm Youth (8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade) & Parents Meeting  
                          7:00 pm Elders Meeting
- Thursday         06** 6:30 pm Dad’s Bible Study
- Friday             07** Office Closed
- Saturday         08** 7:00 am Men’s Interdenominational Bible Study, ER Firestation
- Sunday            09** Rally Day  
                          7:30 am Worship  
                          8:45-9:45 Sunday School, HS Bible Study, Adult Bible Study  
                          10:00 am Worship celebrating Holy Communion

**ATTENDANCE:** Saturday Evening: 90, Sunday: 152, Communion: 138,  
 Saturday Morning Men’s Bible Study: 2, Monday Evening Bible Study: 15

**ACTUAL to DATE** (as of July 31, 2018)

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| <b>TOTAL GIVING</b>       | \$ 232,482.71 |
| <b>OPERATION EXPENSES</b> | \$ 208,706.64 |
| <b>BALANCE</b>            | \$ 23,776.07  |



**God's richest blessings to you on YOUR special day!**

**Birthdays:**

2 – Barry Holtzman, Cameron Birchbauer, Carol Duckworth, Greyson Rogers  
3 – Abigail Alft, Ezra Kadlec 4 – Lois Schlueter 6 – Florence Holewinski 8 – Deborah Holewinski

**Anniversaries:**

2 – Chris & Janette Wise 3 – Adam & Kristie Ross 4 – Blaine & Bailey Welch  
5 – James & Nancy Steenport 7 – Roger & Caroline Anderson



**SCRIP Hours**  
Saturday after service  
Sunday after service  
Monday - Thursday 9-3 in the office

**Prayers For Our Families** – Without a doubt, one of the most important aspects of our relationship with the Lord our God is our prayer life with Him. We are instructed to pray without ceasing (1 Thess. 5:17), and to pray for one another (James 5:16). For we are under attack from the devil and his minions constantly, and we need the best protection we can get! At Our Savior, we are blessed to be surrounded by families whom our Lord has called to walk together in the light of Jesus. Each one of our families has good days and bad, and each one of our families deserves our prayers. Starting January 7, each Sunday we will be praying for members of Our Savior. Those whom we will be praying for are selected at random from our membership roster, and don't be surprised if you will be receiving a phone call from Pastor Kufahl to let you know that your family will be in our prayers this week. We encourage you to use this list in your personal, daily prayers as well. Each one of us is precious in God's sight. May our Lord open our eyes to see the gift that each family is!

*Nancy Cameron, Carl Gromoll Family, Jessica Karll Family, Rick & Anne Mai Family,  
Lois Pietz, Donald & Rebecca Schutt, Max & Ardith Wessler*

**Our Savior Email List** - If you have not yet subscribed to our email list, follow the link on our website to sign up. If you are signed up and did not receive it, please check your spam folder and then make sure [oursavioreagleriver@gmail.com](mailto:oursavioreagleriver@gmail.com) is in your address book. Gmail users – these emails will appear in your "promotions" tab.

A 6-month CHALLENGE for the **FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT CAMPAIGN** at Camp Luther was approved at the voters meeting. Individual members are being challenged to help fund camp's new Community Center/Dining Hall. For each dollar raised, Our Savior will match that gift up to a total of \$10,000. THE GOAL: A GIFT TO CAMP LUTHER OF \$20,000 BY January 1, 2019.

**Constitution and Bylaws** - The Constitution committee is continuing to meet and is preparing a new Constitution and Bylaws for the congregation's consideration. It is intended that the updated Constitution and Bylaws will be presented for discussion at the next voters meeting on Wednesday September 12, 2018 at 7:00 pm. The final vote to adopt our updated Constitution and Bylaws will be at the December 2018 Voters Meeting. Any questions can be directed to Pastor Kufahl.

**"Doughnuts and Blessings"** Students of all ages are invited to swing by church to receive a prayer with Pastor and grab a doughnut on your way to your first day of the school year, September 4th from 7:15-7:45.

**Backpack Blessing** - Students are invited to bring their backpacks on Sunday, September 9th, at the 7:30 or 10 a.m. worship service for a backpack blessing. Students will receive a backpack tag and a blessing to remind them that God is with them at school and wherever they go.

**Rally Day** - Join us for the start of our fall Christian education program! Sunday, September 9th, from 8:45-9:45 a.m. Parents and children ages 2-grade 6 will be meeting in the fellowship hall. Grades 7-12 will meet in the youth room and adult Bible study will be held in the sanctuary.

**Sunday School Ministry** - Do you love God's Word and children? Perhaps you'd like to help with Sunday school! We need help behind the scenes as well as teachers and teacher assistants. We also need nursery volunteers during the education hour. Please talk to Marlene Rieck if you'd like to help or for more information.

**JuBELLation Choir** - Our JuBELLation choir will resume rehearsals on September 11th, at 6 p.m. Music reading ability is helpful but not required. All are welcome! Please contact Vicki Holewinski or Marlene Rieck for more information.

**Attention All Potential Singers** – Make plans now to attend the FIRST choir rehearsal of the fall/winter season on Tuesday, Sept. 4 at 7:00 pm. The choir is open to all members – from newly confirmed young adults through any older age you can imagine! No special skills are necessary, and no try-outs are needed. We only require that you have a desire to sing and a desire to have fun and great Christian fellowship. No long-term commitment is required. You can join us for a couple of months, a season – or whatever fits your schedule. Our choir director, Steve Kolling, will assist you to help you find the right voice section if you are unsure. We look forward to welcoming back all those who have participated in the choir in the past and especially look forward to welcoming all newcomers. Please let either Steve or Marlene Rieck know of your intent, so they can adequately plan music for all. Any questions can be directed to Steve at 715-891-0927 or Marlene at 715-479-6226.