Sixth Sunday after Pentecost June 30 & July 1, 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 1st & 3rd weekends and at the Sunday 9:00 AM Service on the 2nd & 4th 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 Pat & Jan Grosse.

THE LECTERN FLOWERS today are presented to the Glory of God by Martha Society in appreciation to Joy Schroeder for her many years of service to the Martha Society and her dedication to our missions at church and in our community!

IN CELEBRATION OF FREEDOM

You Have Been Truly Freed

June 30 & July 1, 2018

A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Almighty God, You have given us this good land as our heritage. Make us always remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Make us who came from many nations with many different languages a united people. Defend our liberties and give those whom we have entrusted with the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there might be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, let our hearts be thankful; and, in troubled times, do not let our trust in You fail. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP (Sunday) "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" (Medema)

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. O let the nations be glad and sing for

joy; for Thou shalt judge the peoples righteously and govern the nations upon the earth. God, even our own God, shall bless us: and all the ends of the earth shall fear

him.

OPENING HYMN "Before You, Lord, We Bow" LBS 966

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days.

Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end, grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

HYMN "Faith of Our Fathers"

1. Faith of our fathers, living still In spite of dungeon, fire and sword O how our hearts beat high with joy When-e'er we hear that glorious word! Faith of our fathers, holy faith, We will be true to Thee till death

2. Faith of our fathers, we will strive
To win all nations unto Thee:
And thro' the truth that comes from God
Mankind shall then indeed be free
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to Thee till death.

3. Faith of our fathers, we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach Thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to Thee till death.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us confess our failures, fears, and weaknesses to God. Let us seek God's mercy

and grace that we may be forgiven and live in peace. God, who cares for all,

People: we confess that we are by nature sinful and alienated from You. We do not

always love You with our whole heart. We do not care for ourselves, our neighbors, our nation, or the earth as we ought. Forgive our failure to hear Your Word, our failure to worship You regularly, our failure to appreciate the great gifts of forgiveness and freedom that You have given us in the Church and in our country. Forgive our failure to care for the earth and its resources. Forgive our neglect of praying regularly for our world, our nation, and our elected leaders. Make us strong witnesses in word and action to Your

redeeming love. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake,

forgives us all our sins. We believe in Jesus, our Savior; therefore, through the water and Word of Holy Baptism, God has made us His sons and daughters. With that

promise, we live forgiven and free.

People: Amen.

HYMN "God of Our Fathers"

- God of our fathers, whose almighty hand Leads forth in beauty all the starry band Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.
- Thy love divine hath led us in the past, In this free land by Thee our lot is cast; Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay; Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.
- Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way, Lead us from night to never-ending day; Fill all our lives with love and grace divine, And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

OLD TESTAMENT Lamentations 3:22-33

²² The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³ they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴ "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵ The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. ²⁶ It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷ It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. ²⁸ Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; ²⁹ let him put his mouth in the dust—there may yet be hope; ³⁰ let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. ³¹ For the Lord will not cast off forever, ³² but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³ for he does not afflict from his heart or grieve the

children of men.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ² for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³ For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, ⁴ begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— ⁵ and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶ Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷ But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also. ⁸ I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by hi¹³ For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴ your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. ¹⁵ As it is written, "Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He has loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword; His truth is marching on.

Refrain Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watch fires of a hundred circling camps They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps: I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps; His day is marching on. **Refrain**

I have read a fiery gospel writ in burnished rows of steel"
"As ye deal with My condemners, so with you My grace shall deal"
Let the Hero born of woman crush the serpent with His heel,
Since God is marching on. **Refrain**

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me: As He died to make men holy let us die to make men free,

While God is marching on. Refrain

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 5:21-43

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the fifth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹ And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. ²² Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and

seeing him, he fell at his feet 23 and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." ²⁴ And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. ²⁵ And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶ and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. 27 She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. 28 For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." ²⁹ And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. 30 And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" ³¹ And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?" 32 And he looked around to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. ³⁴ And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." 35 While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷ And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. 38 They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." 40 And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." 42 And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. 43 And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Lord

ANTHEM "Almighty Father" (Williams/Harlan)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

All: I pledge allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands; one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

All: I pledge allegiance to the cross of my Lord, Jesus Christ and to the faith for which it stands; one Savior, King Eternal, with mercy and grace for all.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

O say! Can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.
O say does that Star-spangled Banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

O thus be it e'er when free men shall stand Between their lov'd homes and the war's desolation! Blest with victory and peace, may the Heav'n rescued land Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserved us a nation! Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, And this be our motto; "In God is our trust!" And the Star-spangled Banner in triumph shall wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

SERMON "Yoke Born Freedom" Lamentations 3:22-33

OFFERING "God Bless the U.S.A." (Greenwood, arr. Schmutte)

PRAYER FOR THE NATION

Pastor:

Lord, we are thankful for the abundant blessings You have bestowed on America. We acknowledge with thanks that all we have and enjoy is a gift from Your gracious hand. We come before You today in heartfelt appreciation for our nation and its people. We thank You for enabling us to worship You in freedom and to serve You without fear. You have enriched us with the bounties of farm and factory, the beauty of forest and mountain, and the marvels of medicine and science. Look with favor upon this nation, this state, and this community. Preserve our cherished liberties. Enable our leaders to govern with wisdom, honesty, courage, and justice. Protect these who serve in the armed forces and those who maintain peace and safety in our communities. Give us willing hearts to obey our nation's laws and to work for the common good. Keep our financial institutions secure and our economy strong. Bless our fields that they may produce abundant harvest. Guard us from calamities of nature and accident, and spare our land from the ravages of disease and epidemic. Strengthen the homes of our nation. By Your Spirit lead husbands and wives to love each other, parents to nurture their children, young adults to assume responsibility, and children to show respect. When times are prosperous let our hearts be thankful; and in troubled times, do not let our trust in You fail. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN "God Bless Our Native Land" LSB 965

Saturday service please continue with the Sacrament

ANTHEM "I Sing a Song for America" (Wagner)

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine on you and be

gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance on you and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG "God Bless America"

God bless America, Land that I love, Stand beside her and guide her Thru the night with a light from above; From the mountains, to the prairies, To the oceans white with foam, God bless America, My home, sweet home. God bless America, My home, sweet home.

▼ SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN "Great is Thy Faithfulness" LSB 809

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Grant, O God, that Your holy and life-giving Spirit may move our healed and forgiven

hearts.

People: Filled with this life-giving, heavenly food, empower us to serve You as we seek

to break down the barriers that divide, overcome prejudices, and set aside hatreds. With our divisions healed, grant that we might live in justice and

peace; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: We give thanks, heavenly Father, that You have strengthened us through this

Sacrament. And we pray that we may show forth our faith as we live out each day in our families, communities, and nation. Grant us and Your Church around the world to proclaim the coming of Your kingdom through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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People: Amen.

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Serving Him Today

Elder/Helper Saturday – Don Secord, Dick Cherney

Sunday - Steve Kolling

<u>Ushers</u> Saturday – Dick Cherney, Carol Pluedeman, Dave Goddard, Bob Johnson

Sunday - Jack Toivonen, Ken Kuntz, Sue Frank, Dave Liedtke

Greeters Saturday –

Sunday - Joy Schroeder

Readers Saturday – Kris Secord

Sunday - Nancy Steenport

Media Operators

Saturday – Steven Rieck Sunday – Jackie Pearce

Altar Care - Diane Schoessow, Carol Pluedeman

Nursery – Sunday 9:00 am Service – Amy Kufahl

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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 02 6:00 pm Bible Study Tuesday 03 9:30 am Quilters

10:30 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday 04 Fourth of July

Thursday 05 6:30 pm Dad's Bible Study

Friday 06 Office Closed

Saturday 7:00 am Men's Interdenominational Bible Study, ER Firestation

7:00 pm Worship

Sunday 9:00 am Worship celebrating Holy Communion

ATTENDANCE: Saturday Evening: 97, Sunday: 136, Communion: 123,

Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study: 5, Monday Evening Bible Study: 23

ACTUAL to DATE (as of May 31, 2018)

 TOTAL GIVING
 \$ 156,140.67

 OPERATION EXPENSES
 \$ 136,853.90

 BALANCE
 \$ 19,286.77

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

1 - Lily Young
 2 - Bonnie Berta, Joyce Loyd
 3 - David Liedtke, Nancy Cameron
 4 - Chuck Healy
 5 - Lois Parnitzke
 7 - Linda Stenschke

Anniversaries:

1 – Chad & Randee Smith 2 – David & Lynn Parker, Stewart & Pamela Jackson 3 – Don & Diane Schoessow 7 – Leroy & Kay Kibbel



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!

Leon Bogard, Sally Gibbs, Elmer & Diane Jensen, Karla Lokker Benjamin Parling Family, Chuck & Lois Schlueter

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

2018 Envelopes – If you have not yet received your 2018 envelopes please contact the office.

Appalachian Servant Event - The time is almost here for a few of our youth and adults to head into the mountains of North Carolina to serve people in the name of Jesus, and in turn see how our God continues to serve them. This year, a new septic system will be put in by hand at one site, another home will be receiving a new roof, another will be made handicap accessible, and another will have new subflooring and windows put in. That's a lot of work, but God is good! Keep an eye out for a "little red gas can" where you can help contribute to this event. All funds raised will provide gas and transportation for our team, as well as supplies needed for all the repairs we will be doing.

Time Lab Vacation Bible School - Get ready to launch into hyperdrive at Time Lab, where we'll discover Jesus from eternity past to eternity future! Don't miss this fun week! July 30th-August 2nd, from 9 am to 12 pm. Register at our website or pick up a registration form at our display in the narthex. Don't forget to invite friends!

VBS Needs - Thank you for all you have given for our VBS crafts! We are still in need of 10 3/4 oz. soup cans. Please clean them, remove labels, and place in basket near the VBS display. Thank you for your help! Please watch for a food sign up sheet for our snacks coming soon.

4th of July Parade - The 4th of July is a great day to show your love of country. But it is also a great day to show love for your Lord and Savior to those along the parade route in Eagle River. How? Join in and help with Our Saviors entry into the Eagle River 4th of July parade down Wall Street. Our entry will be a flat-bed truck featuring the voices and musicians from our church. But you do not need to be a member of any of the musical groups to participate. Our entry also needs decorating help as well as individuals and families to walk alongside our entry handing out candy and our church give-away. Interested? Good! Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to help with planning. Those participating are asked to meet at Todd Otto's garage, 1231 E. Wall Street, the morning of the 4th at 10:00 am. Please wear your church t-shirt or something with red, white or blue, and of course, comfortable shoes. Weather is the only thing that will deter our entry! So, come on! It will be fun!! Join other members of our congregation as we share our love for God and country while singing our way down Wall Street! For additional information or answers to any questions, please call the church office.

Thank you - Pastor Kufahl, the Board of Trustees and the Congregation would like to thank the Scrip committee and Lois Parnitzke for their donations to pay for the new Media Center located in the back of the sanctuary. The media center will be used to house not only the laptop for the power point, but also all of the sound equipment, sound mixer and the new video equipment that we will be getting. It will be full and well used when the project is complete, there is a lot more work to be done. Thank you, once again to the Scrip committee for the generous donation to assist in paying for the media center project. It is much appreciated by all!

Martha Society luncheon planned at Agave Azula for Wednesday, July 18 after Martha Society monthly meeting. The meeting will be at church at 10:00am. Afterwards we will drive over to Agave Azula on highway 70 east for lunch at 11:30 am. If you will be joining us for this luncheon, please call Sharon Gifford at 715-617-0308 so we can give the restaurant a head count.

Praise & Worship Team - Our next rehearsal will be Monday, July 9th at 7 p.m. in preparation for worship on July 14th & 15th. New vocalists and instrumentalists are welcome!