OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH SUNDAY WORSHIP



October 6, 2024

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

ELW is Evangelical Lutheran Worship, our red hymn book located in the pew rack in front of you.

The songs are in the back half of the book, with the song number at the top of the page.

*An asterisk indicates the congregation should stand in body and/or spirit. Congregation's speaking and singing parts are in bold font.

WELCOME

PRELUDE - Entrance Prayer (Tune: Dirait-on, by Morten Lauridsen; Text: R.R.)

As we enter a sacred place of God, and bring to God our soul-light

And leave behind all pretense, of on our own, of what we own

Come and be with God, come today, listen for the song

Let God's love upon you lay, and open now to hear it now.

There is quiet there is no other way, to hear what God is singing

Upon you now the Spirit, to take away burdens away

Please use this time to prepare for worship.

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Hope. Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of \oplus Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

*GATHERING HYMN- This is a Sacred World Text Sharon Reinbott

This Is a Sacred World



Tune: Franklin L. Sheppard 1852-1930

TERRA PATRIS

*GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:18-24

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 8

Read in parts. The congregation part is in bold.

O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING: Hebrews 1:1-4: 2:5-12

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW #878 Soli Deo Gloria (vs 5)



*GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Mark . Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 10:2-16

The Gospel of Jesus Christ. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY - ELW #726 Light Dawns on a Weary World

Light Dawns on a Weary World



Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The assisting minister leads the prayers. ...God in your mercy, receive our prayer.

PASTOR ... We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

*EXCHANGE OF PEACE

OFFERING - Stay With Us – Luke 24:28–35 (Tune: Walter Pelz, Text: Herbert Brokering)

*OFFERING PRAYER - Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (all sing) Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love Teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.

Almighty God, your love is cast, like seed upon the ground O let the dew of grace appear, and righteous fruits abound

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Trusting in the mercy and compassion of God who is with us as Parent and Creator, let us pray as Jesus did:

COMMUNION

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.

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

This is Christ's table. You and all are welcome here, without exception. Please follow the ushers' direction, filling in the communion rail starting on the right side. You may stand or kneel. If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your heart. Gluten free wafers are available. The wine is red; the grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.

COMMUNION MUSIC

ELW # 735 Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth (all sing)





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Shelter Me, O God (Psalm 16) Hear My Cry, God of Hosts (Scottish Tune)

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

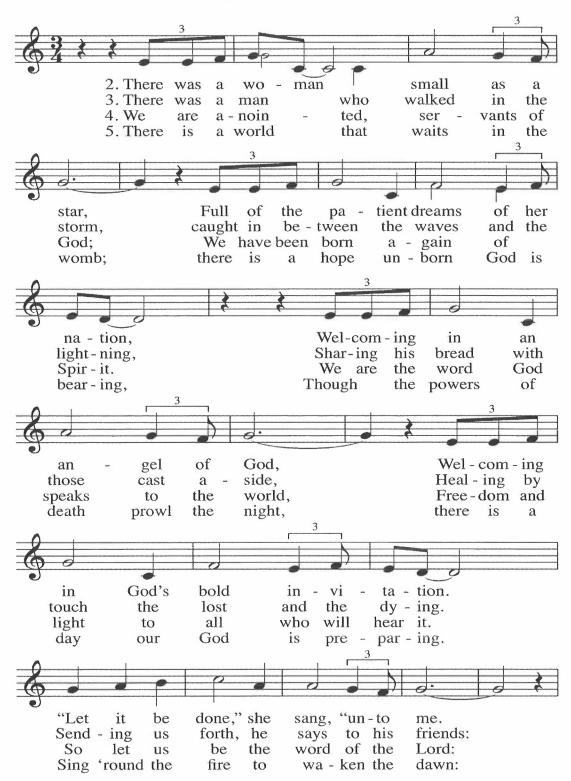
SENDING PRAYER

Holy God, you give your Spirit of truth, and you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth to be Christ-centered community through faith and action in the heart of Tūcson and wherever you lead us. Amen.

*SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

SENDING HYMN - *I Am For You* Rory Cooney



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*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God!

You are welcome to leave at any time following the dismissal. Many at Our Saviour's remain to listen to the postlude - please feel comfortable leaving or staying as you wish. You are invited to join for coffee and conversation following worship.

POSTLUDE Build a Stronger Table, Not a Higher Wall (French Carol)

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Welcome to Our Saviour's



Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us (Ephesians 2:14). You are welcome at Our Saviour's because of who you are. We are a congregation of longtime churchgoers, newcomers, seekers, seasonal visitors, and returners with diverse backgrounds, life experiences, and beliefs. We follow a familiar Lutheran service with piano, organ, and guest

musicians. We celebrate the cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity of the Tucson region and seek to be a place of belonging for all. We welcome those who have felt or been excluded from church spaces because of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, financial status, or any other reason. We like the sound of young people in worship, we value the experience of our elders, and all ages between. Our communion table is Christ's table, and all people are welcome, no exceptions. Your presence here builds up the body of Christ.

Prayer Requests: Our Saviour's Family: Tracy; Marty; Maija, Paul, Fred A., Emma and those at home.

Our Extended Friends & Family: Richard (neighbor); The Banker Family (cousin of Mary Pflibsen); John (friend of Pastor Glenn's); Beverly (sister-in-law of Martha Neff Stum and Mary Neff); Josh, Melissa, and Mary Ann (friends of Chris and Theda Doak); Megan (niece of Chris and Theda Doak); Sally (friend of Kathy DeVinney); Tom (brother-in-law of Ted Adams); Abel (great grandson of Laverne Walsh); Maureen (mother of Adam Delaossa); Jeanne (friend of Shatzi Taylor).

Names will remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for longer.

Newcomers and Visitors + Newcomers and Visitors + We're glad you're here. Please fill out the green slip in the pew rack and place in the offering plate. You're welcome to share in Holy Communion. Families - we have a small play area up front.

Nametags + Nametags help us get to know and remember each other. Please let the ushers know if you need one made for you.

Expansive Language + As Lutherans, we teach that "God calls all creation into being and gives people language as a way of responding to God and forming community" (Principles for Worship, Principle L-1). In worship at Our Saviour's, we seek to use expansive language for God and people, sometimes changing or offering alternatives to the printed text.

Current Liturgy Music + *liturgy* is the flow of our worship service - working together as people to praise God. Currently most of our liturgy music is from "Behold, I Make All Things New," and was written by Benjamin Splichal Larson.

October Sunday Forums

Today: <u>October 6</u>: "Sustainable Christianity" led by Jon Dorschner of OSLC Jon will examine the environmental catastrophe that the human species has unleashed on our planet and how we can make amends. How should we as Christians should relate to our natural world?

October 13: "What do you do when it Rains in Tucson? Are we Ready for the Rain?" led by Joaquin Murrieta-Saldivar of Tucson's Watershed Management Group As the Cultural Ecologist Direct of WMG, Dr. Murrietta-Saldivar will explore the value of water in our community and the endless opportunities to have a "Natural City" that benefits nature and people.

October 20: "Recyle/Reduce/Reuse" led by Phala Andressen and Mary Durham-Pflibsen of OSLC

Some of us are already aware of this ministry at OSLC which has been ongoing for many months. Phala and Mary can give us new details and tell us what challenges remain. The OSLC Reconciling in Christ Committee will also continue to offer Sunday Forums in October and November. The topics will be developed and augmented as the Committee learns more about questions and comments coming from the OSLC community.

Quilting Group

The OSLC Quilt Ministry meets the third Tuesday of each month in the Activity Building. If you are unable to join us we would love for you to stitch at home. You can pick fabric from our "stash" and make a quilt top at home. When your top is done just bring it back and the group will get it backed, batted, quilted, bound, and delivered.

Knit and Crochet Group

Anyone interested in joining please text Donna Lounsbury 520-400-2514.

Chancel Choir 2024-2025 Season

We welcome all singers to join the Chancel Choir! We are a loving and supportive community who appreciate music and are happy to worship together. Rehearsals are on Thursday Nights at 6:30pm in the Activity Building. No prior choral experience is required, and you can join any time during the season. To find out more, please email Dr. Gréta Pásztor at gpasztor@lutherantucson.org.

Bell Choir 2024-2025 Season

The Our Saviour's Bell Choir rehearse on Monday nights at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. This is a perfect opportunity to come check out this happy group and help us create joyous, uplifting music. We welcome anyone who wants to ring and is willing to learn. For more info contact Kathie (kmmmiller@hotmail.com) or any current ringer.

Spanish Class

Tuesday Nights at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary in the Activity Building Café.

Come & See:

Are you looking for an opportunity to explore your life of faith? Have you been seeking new ways of connecting with the Bible and other texts that are a part of our traditions and faith practices? Are there questions that you would like to discuss with others who also feel a renewed call to discipleship?

Join others at Our Saviour's in responding to this new calling of the Holy Spirit. Beginning in October, we'll meet in the Patio Room at noon for an hour, and you are free to bring your lunch. Also, be sure to remember your Bibles, but we will also have a brand-new set of Lutheran Study Bibles available for use. Led by Pastor Glenn and Pastor Amalia.

THURSDAYS 12 - 1 PM. You are welcome.

Other Ways to Grow Your Faith:

Weekly events led by community and Our Saviour's members - open to anyone. All events in Activity Building.

Mindfulness Meditation (Mondays, 1:30 - 2:30 PM); Men's Bible Study (Tuesdays, 7:00 AM); Lay Shared Bible Study (Wednesdays, 10:30 AM. Contact Lauretta Olson at landjo@cox.net).

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 10/6/2024

Presiding Minister Rev. Amalia Vagts

Assisting Minister Rev. Glenn Schrader

and Jennifer Strand

Communion Assistants Kathy DeVinney and

Linda Zizka

Acolyte Jennifer Strand

Cantor Aysen Milliogullari

Music Chancel Band, Aysen Millio-

gullari, Michael Marty, Jack O'Brien, Jeff Ladderud,

David Lester, and Ron Rude

Usher Hildi Williams and

Pam Hardman

Greeter Gloria Schmidt

Coffee Host Nancy and Ron Rude

Treats Melissa Wyatt/Bales

Tech Team Pflibsen/Bustamante

Scripture Background John Indermark

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 10/13/2024

Presiding Minister Rev. Amalia Vagts **Preaching Minister** Rev. Glenn Schrader

Assisting Minister Ted Adams

Communion Assistants Pam Hardman and

Lauretta Olson Acolyte Ted Adams

Cantor Nilu Dorschner

Piano Gréta Pásztor, Cameron Barton

Music Chancel Choir Usher Patty Sirls and

Kris Sanchez

Greeter Diane Siefkes
Coffee Host Kris Sanchez

Treats Shelly Adrian/Saphir **Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante

Scripture Background John Indermark

Online Offering

We have partnered with the ELCA and Tithely to offer secure online giving. Scan the image below using your smart phone to make your offering. Or, contact the church office to set up regular online giving.



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9:00 - Sanctuary Coffee following 10:30 Sunday Forum

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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