

# 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, † 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 † 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

Text by: Sharon Reinbott 2013

1. This\_ is a sa-cred world. The\_ u - ni-verse di-  
2. This\_ is a sa-cred world. It\_ per - me - ates our  
4 3. This\_ is a sa-cred world, though death will have its  
vine Pours in - to night crea - a - tive might, and  
sense. The moon, the tree, the\_ cloud, the sea, in  
7 due. It makes me dare to\_ live a - ware, my  
we\_ re - flect its\_ shine. This is a sa-cred  
pure\_ mag - ni - fi - cence. This is a sa-cred  
10 deep - est dream pur - sue. This is a sa-cred  
world. We\_ see its first-born light cre -  
world. Oh\_ may it all em - ploy to  
13 world. May I a - rise and see prim-  
a - ting stars, their\_ worlds and ours, flared  
lis - ten well, with\_ ev - 'ry cell, trans -  
15 - e - val flame, cre - a - tion's name, now  
forth\_ in deep - est\_ night.  
formed in won - drous\_ joy.  
come\_ to birth in\_ me.

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)

**Soli Deo Gloria**

5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and  
gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry  
cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and  
sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:  
So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!

**\*GOSPEL**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark . **Glory to you, O God.**

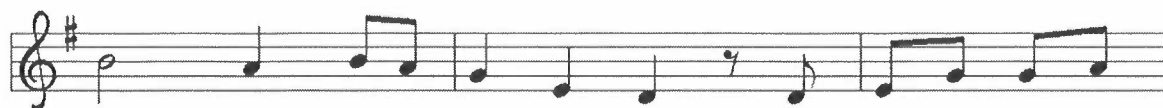
**Mark 10:2-16**

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



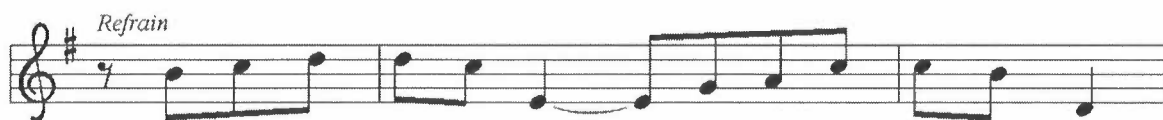
1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to  
2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find  
3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a  
bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a  
lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



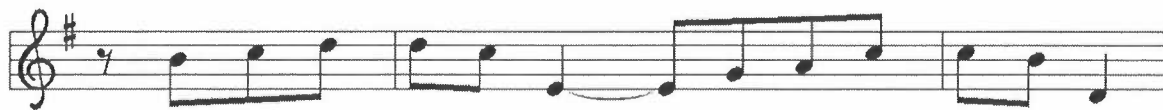
wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.  
wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.  
wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

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** ....Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

**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.*

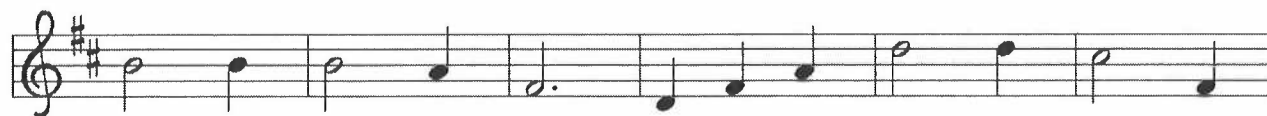
## COMMUNION MUSIC

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

### Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth



1 Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright  
2 Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing  
3 Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - t'ring one, in arms of



morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - 'ry  
me your food of light, grain . . . of life, and grape of  
pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I root and



breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.  
love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.  
grow un - til I flow'r, un - til I know.

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Julian of Norwich, c. 1342–c. 1413

Music: NORWICH, Carolyn Jennings, b. 1936

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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

2. There was a wo - man small as a  
 3. There was a man who walked in the  
 4. We are a - noin - ted, ser - vants of  
 5. There is a world that waits in the

star,  
 storm,  
 God;  
 womb;

Full of the pa - tient dreams of her  
 caught in be - tween the waves and the  
 We have been born a - gain of  
 there is a hope un - born God is

na - tion,  
 light - ning,  
 Spir - it.  
 bear - ing,

Wel - com - ing in an  
 Shar - ing his bread with  
 We are the word God  
 Though the powers of

an - gel of God, Wel - com - ing  
 those cast a - side, Heal - ing by  
 speaks to the world, Free - dom and  
 death prowls the night, there is a

in God's bold in - vi - ta - tion.  
 touch the lost and the dy - ing.  
 light to all who will hear it.  
 day our God is pre - par - ing.

"Let it be done," she sang, "un - to me.  
 Send - ing us forth, he says to his friends:  
 So let us be the word of the Lord:  
 Sing 'round the fire to wa - ken the dawn:



## **\*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); Karen (friend of Gloria Schmidt).

*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: October 6: "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. Murrieta-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: "Recycle/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](mailto: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](mailto: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 Laurretta Olson at [landjo@cox.net](mailto:landjo@cox.net)).

### **THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 10/6/2024**

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Amalia Vagts
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Rev. Glenn Schrader and Jennifer Strand
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Kathy DeVinney and Linda Zizka
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jennifer Strand
<b>Cantor</b>	Aysen Milliogullari
<b>Music</b>	Chancel Band, Aysen Millio- gullari, Michael Marty, Jack O'Brien, Jeff Ladderud, David Lester, and Ron Rude
<b>Usher</b>	Hildi Williams and Pam Hardman
<b>Greeter</b>	Gloria Schmidt
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Nancy and Ron Rude
<b>Treats</b>	Melissa Wyatt/Bales
<b>Tech Team</b>	Pflibsen/Bustamante
<b>Scripture Background</b>	John Indermark

### **THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 10/13/2024**

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Amalia Vagts
<b>Preaching Minister</b>	Rev. Glenn Schrader
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Ted Adams
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Pam Hardman and Lauretta Olson
<b>Acolyte</b>	Ted Adams
<b>Cantor</b>	Nilu Dorschner
<b>Piano</b>	Gréta Pásztor, Cameron Barton
<b>Music</b>	Chancel Choir
<b>Usher</b>	Patty Sirls and Kris Sanchez
<b>Greeter</b>	Diane Siefkes
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Kris Sanchez
<b>Treats</b>	Shelly Adrian/Saphir
<b>Tech Team</b>	Pflibsen/Bustamante
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## **Online Offering**

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## **Sunday Worship Times**

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

## **Office Hours**

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

## **Ministry Team**

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