

Mission Festival

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OUR SAVIOR EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The WORD OF GOD is a spiritual seed that takes root in human hearts. Grace grows! And just as it happens in nature, sometimes the most beautiful plant erupts from the ground in an unexpected place. So the Gospel will find new ground and bring forth a new fruit in new fields and among new peoples. The Apostle Paul says, "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow." (1 Corinthians 3:6-7) And what is our role in home mission work? Our role is to make sure that the message is taken to our neighbor who lives next door or across the world. Today in our mission festival celebration, we rejoice as we learn how a local and national agency partners in this gospel sharing right in our backyard. We join the Savior to seek those who are lost, as we re-dedicate ourselves to playing a wonderfully active part in that eternal work!

Prayer before worship begins: O Savior, You have called me to be your witness. Forgive me for the times I've failed to give witness to Your love. Remind me this morning that Your love gives me all I need, that I might treasure it all the more and eagerly share it with others. In Your name I pray. Amen.

Guests: Welcome to all who are visiting with us today!

Restrooms: far side (south) of the entry. **Parent's Room:** far left (southwest).



ORDER OF WORSHIP

OPENING SONG

"King of Love"

The King of Love my Shepherd is
Whose goodness faileth never
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever
And He is mine forever

Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul He leadeth
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth

Never failing, Ruler of my heart
Everlasting, Lover of my soul
On the mountain high or in the valley low
The King of Love my Shepherd is
The King of Love my Shepherd is

Lost and foolish oft I strayed
But yet in love He sought me
And on His shoulder gently laid
And home rejoicing brought me

In death's dark veil I fear no ill
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me
Thy rod and staff my comfort still
Thy cross before to guide me

Never failing, Ruler of my heart
Everlasting, Lover of my soul
On the mountain high or in the valley low
The King of Love my Shepherd is
The King of Love my Shepherd is

Oh, Oh, Oh, Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Oh, Oh, Oh Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Never failing, Ruler of my heart
Everlasting, Lover of my soul
On the mountain high or in the valley low
The King of Love my Shepherd is

Never failing, Ruler of my heart
Everlasting, Lover of my soul
On the mountain high or in the valley low
The King of Love my Shepherd is
The King of Love my Shepherd is

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never
Good Shepherd, may I sing Your praise
Within Your house forever
Within Your house forever

INVOCATION

- P:** In the name of the Father,
C: **whose glory is declared by the heavens,**
P: and of the Son
C: **who calls us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth,**

P: and of the Holy Spirit

C: **who empowers us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth. Amen.**

P: May God be gracious to us and bless us,

C: **And make His face to shine upon us,**

P: That Your ways may be known on earth,

C: **Your salvation among all nations!**

P: Fellow laborers in God's kingdom, we do not always live our lives in a way which is worthy of the calling we have received. Let us therefore confess our sins and ask for God's forgiveness.

C: **O Lord, most holy and righteous God, we humbly acknowledge before You that we do not respect You as we should, and that we do not love You above all else. We do not love others as You desire, and we are much too interested in ourselves. We fail to live up to our responsibilities as Your people at home, at work, at church, and in the community. We bring our imperfect selves before You, God, and confess our sins. Forgive us, cleanse us, and clothe us with newness of life through Jesus Christ our risen and ascended Lord. Amen.**

P: Take heart, children of God, for God's love continues to be yours! He has forgiven your sins, because Jesus died and rose. He died and rose for all people; He died and rose for you. Sins forgiven, you are at peace with God!

C: **May we declare the praises of Him who called us out of spiritual darkness into His wonderful light!**

P: "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'?"

C: **I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.**

P: Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together.

C: **Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Heavenly Father, You have called us from many races and tongues to be witnesses of the Good News of Your Son to every nation, tribe, language and people. Help us to share your precious Gospel with all who have not heard of your great love for them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** (spoken)

GOD'S WORD FROM THE EPISTLE

Acts 4:23-33

In the face of threats the apostles found strength in the psalms, sought courage in prayer, and testified to Jesus' resurrection in unity with all who believed in the Savior.

On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. When they heard this, they raised their voices together in

prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David: "Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against his Anointed One. Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. Stretch out your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus." After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly. All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all.

RESPONSE

"His Mercy is More"

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more
What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more
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GOD'S WORD FROM THE GOSPEL

Luke 10:25-37

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?" He answered: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind' ; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' ""You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.' "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

SONG

“Living Water”

God, I'm on my knees again
God, I'm begging please again
I need You
Oh, I need You

Walking down this desert road
Water for my thirsty soul
I need You
Oh, I need You

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet, sweet honey On my lips
Like the sound of a symphony To my ears
Like living water on my skin

Dead man walking, slave to sin
I want to know about being born again
I need You Oh, God, I need You

So, take me to the riverside
Take me under, baptize
I need You Oh, God, I need You

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet, sweet honey On my lips
Like the sound of a symphony To my ears
Like living water on my skin

I don't want to abuse Your grace
God, I need it every day
It's the only thing that ever really
Makes me want to change
(4x)

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet, sweet honey On my lips
Like the sound of a symphony To my ears
Like living water on my skin

Your forgiveness
Is like sweet, sweet honey On my lips
Like the sound of a symphony To my ears
Like living water on my skin
It's like living water

SERMON Luke 10:25-37 "Help for the Hurting"

THE CREED – SECOND ARTICLE

P: As God's witnesses, let us confess a portion of the message he has entrusted to us:

C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord.

**He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature,
purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil;
not with gold or silver,
but with His holy, precious blood
and with His innocent suffering and death,
All this He did, that I may be His own,**

and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, even as He is risen from the dead, and lives and reigns eternally.
This is most certainly true.

OFFERING

To honor God and to remind each other that our offerings are part of our regular gathering and worship, we bring the offering plates forward to the altar at this time.

OFFERING SONG "May the Peace" (10:30 am) OSLS 3-8 Grade

PRAYERS

P: Lord God, heavenly Father, your love for sinners has no limit. Make us faithful in our mission at home and abroad. Give us eyes to see that the work you give us to do begins within our own families, and continues to the ends of the earth. Give us power to proclaim your Word boldly, as we ought, and free us from every fear that might hold us back or hinder us from speaking your truth.

C: **We thank you for supplying us with workers who are willing to go out into your worldwide harvest field. Bless those who are sent out in your name. By your Holy Spirit, equip them with every gift they need to carry out Your work. Give them wisdom and understanding, that they may come to know and love the people among whom they work. Give them courage and strength that the message of Christ might be fully proclaimed to the world. Let the joy of your great love so fill our hearts that we may always sing your praise and long for our Savior's coming again.**

P: *(Special Prayers)* We pray this all through Jesus Christ, who has taught us to pray ...

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

RESPONSE

"Goodness of God"

I love You, Lord
For Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In the darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a Father
I've known You as a Friend
And I have lived in the goodness of God

And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
'Cause Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
(Repeat)

And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God
'Cause all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God

WE RECEIVE HIS BLESSING

P: May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. (2 Thessalonians 2:17)

C: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

“Child of God”

I was walking the wayside
Lost on a lonely road
I was chasing the high life
Tryna satisfy my soul

All the lies I believed in
Left me crying like the rain
Then I saw lightning from Heaven
And I've never been the same

I'm gonna climb a mountain
I'm gonna shout about it
I am a child of God
I found a world of freedom
I found a friend in Jesus
I am a child of God

I've felt the sting of the fire
But I saw You in the flames
Just when I thought it was over
You broke me out of the grave

I'm gonna climb a mountain
I'm gonna shout about it
I am a child of God
I found a world of freedom
I found a friend in Jesus
I am a child of God

I am a child of God
I am a child of God

Nothing can change the way
You love me
Nothing can change the way
I belong to You
Yes I do

Nothing can separate (Repeat)

I'm gonna climb a mountain
I am a child of God
I found a world of freedom
I am a child of God

I'm gonna climb a mountain
I'm gonna shout about it
I am a child of God
I found a world of freedom
I found a friend in Jesus
I am a child of God, oh yeah
Yeah, I am a child of God
I am a child of God



SILENT PRAYER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to Unworthy for leading our worship in music this morning! We all are sinful people *unworthy* of the grace that God freely gives us, but through faith in Christ and His sacrifice we become *worthy* as He forgives our sins and grants us eternal victory in heaven. “We play songs that you will hear on Christian contemporary playlists and stations to encourage hearts of faith and support worship of our Savior. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram by searching @unworthyband.”

And to **Pastor Mattek from Christian Family Solutions**, for sharing the mission, vision and scope of their work in our local area and out into the whole country. We are blessed to have these associations with talented, trained and dedicated therapists who share our faith and philosophy of ministry. Several are (current/former) members of our congregation.



THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (1/23)	8:00	am	Mission Festival
	9:15	am	Mission Festival Bible Study
	9:15	am	Teen Bible Study
	9:15	am	Sunday School
	10:30	am	Mission Festival
Tuesday	10:30	am	Senior Bible Study
Wednesday	4:00	pm	Public School Confirmation Class
	7:00	pm	Worship Service
Friday	9:00	am	Mom's circle
Sunday (1/30)	8:00	am	Worship Service
	9:15	am	Adult & Teen Bible Study
	9:15	am	Sunday School
	10:30	am	Worship Service

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

1st Lesson	Joshua 7:1, 19-26
2nd Lesson	1 John 2:15-17
Gospel	Luke 18:18-27
Psalm	Psalm 119b

THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

**Mission Fest
Service Theme**

PREACHER: Jim Mattek
(CHRISTIAN FAMILY SOLUTIONS)

MUSICIANS: UnWorthy

SONGS: AS PRINTED

FIRST LESSON:

Acts 4:23-33

SECOND LESSON

Luke 10:25-37

THE SERMON:

Luke 10:25-37

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