6th Sunday of Easter May 14th, 2023 Our Savior's Lutheran, ELCA

Senior Quilt Blessing

Prelude

L: Alleluia. Christ is Risen!

C: Christ is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!

Mother's Day Prayer

Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Prayer

L: We gather thankfully and confidently in the strong name of God, the Creator of our past and future, in the name of the Son, whom we follow, and in the name of the Spirit, our guide on our journey. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Opening Song

715

"Christ Be Our Light"

Opening Dialogue

- L: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
- C: for in your wisdom you have formed us.
- L: You feed the hungry and clothe the naked.
- C: We bless you and praise your name forever.
- L: You set free those who are bound.
- C: We bless you and praise your name forever.
- L: You raise up those whose courage falters.
- C: We bless you and praise your name forever.
- L: You provide for our every need.
- C: Accept our grateful praises.
- L: You have called us from all peoples.
- C: We rejoice and bless your name forever.
- L: You bless your people with peace.
- C: We bless you and praise your loving grace.
- L: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
- C: for in your wisdom you have formed us.
- L: God has made us God's people through Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life-everlasting. Amen

Prayer of the Day

God's Holy Word Isaiah 43: 1b-4a

Jeremiah 29: 11

Matthew 13: 1-9; 18-23

Sermon

Song # 798

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

Quilt Wrapping and Blessing...

Sharing the Peace

L: The peace of the Risen Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Offering Invitation

Offering

Offering Prayer

God's Giving Continues...

Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Meal

Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

Prayers

Sending

L: Step into the future in faith! Trust God to lead you!

C: Lord God, you have called us, your servants, to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, on paths as yet untrodden, and through perils and adventures unknown.

L: Step into the future in hope! Let God's presence go before you! Let your dreams carry you.

C: Give us faith to go out with good courage, not always knowing where we are going, but knowing always that your hand is leading us and your love is supporting us.

L: Step into the future in love! Live God's love in truth and action! Go in God's love and light! Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Closing Song # 543

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Postlude

An Invitation

Holy Communion: All are welcome to this table. Whether you belong to this church, or another church, or no church at all, the gift of this bread and wine, and Christ's real presence are for us all. Your Children are welcome. You do not need to be a certain age to receive the gift of God at this table. Those not communing may come forward for a blessing. Crossing your arms in front of your chest (sign language for love) will let our servers know you would like a blessing. If you prefer grape juice, take the cups from the center of the tray. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, let the server know as you come forward. Please let the usher know if you would like communion brought to you.

We also celebrate the gifts of God's grace and love in **Holy Baptism**. If you have not been Baptized and would like to be, please contact the church office to visit with our pastor.

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all is ready!



ANNOUNCEMENTS - May 14th, 2023

Isaiah 43: 1b-4a - Ieremiah 29: 11 Matthew 13: 1-9; 18-23

Happy Mother's Day!

PRAYER You are invited to light the candles on the tables in the back of the sanctuary any time before, during, or after worship for yourself, or in memory/honor of a loved one as a symbol of the promised light of Christ shining in the darkest, gloomiest, most uncertain times of our life – to give us hope.

NEXT SUNDAY: Confirmation during worship, MAY 21ST.

CONGRATULATIONS: We wish to congratulate our Seniors today: Jordan Peterson and Sawyer Lutzka



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF LWR is helping the people of Ukraine, Turkey, Ethiopia and Somalia, who are currently experiencing trauma from war and natural disaster crisis. You can send donations to: Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061, or call LWR @ 800-638-3522. Your help brings needed medical supplies, health services, shelter, food, etc. PLEASE PRAY - LWR.ORG/UKRAINE-CRISIS.

NEW LENDING CLOSET Over the past few years the congregation has collected a few walkers, wheelchairs, and other home medical items to share with each other. So... why not make it official. If you have things like that at home and you are not using them at the moment, you can give them a general cleaning and bring them to the church (leave in the carpeted area in the back of the Fellowship Hall). We are going to make sure things are in good working order and ready to be signed out as people need.

*SEE OTHER SIDE FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

PRAYER CHAIN You may call Deb Lekatz at 218-749-6247. Please pray for people in need of comfort, hope, healing, or safe transition: Pastor Rob (Methodist Church), Matt (community), Ken, Janet H., Ruth T., Hermine, Deb L., Avery, Marilee, Nancy, Diane, Matt, Ethan (community), Adam, Ross-(needs transplant of kidneys & pancreas), Brandon, Jessica, Breanna, Jeremy, Richard, Shari, Rodney, Dave C., Lee, Kathy, Mary, Wally C., Marlene, Cliff, Gerilyn & family, Bonnie M.(MS), Victoria.

IF YOU'RE VISITING: Thank you for being here today. If you would like to know more about OSLC, call the church office at 218-741-6207 or Pastor Tim @ 320-226-7074 (voice messages are routed to our email, so leave us a message). Office hours are Mon-Wed from 10am to 4pm, and Fri. 10am to 4pm (except during holidays). Join us for coffee & treats in our Fellowship Hall across from the sanctuary after worship. Bathrooms are located to the left and down the hall as you exit the sanctuary. Parents: As you enter the Sanctuary, to the left, there is an activity tree holding canvas bags with toys & books for your children to use during worship, and coloring pages/books with crayons in the basket beside it - feel free to use them! You are also welcome to utilize the "Youth Room" down the hall (past the bathrooms) with your little ones if needed (Sunday School also takes place here after worship). We're alad vou're here~

RADIO SPONSORSHIP Thank you, John & Diane Elofson, in loving memory of our mothers, Ginny Elofson and Irene Hannula. And also, Dan & Judy Peliska, in loving memory of Judy's mother, Joyce, and Jorma Wessman. If you are interested in sponsoring a Sunday worship broadcast in honor of someone or a special event (wedding anniversary, birth of children, baptism date) or in memory of a loved one who has passed, you may do so in full for \$90 or in partial at \$45. Just call the church office, and/or sign up on the sheet provided on the blue bulletin board by the fountain. Those in nursing homes, assisted living communities or at home and unable to attend in person thank you for considering. Our live worship can be heard on KRBT 1340AM & 104.9FM.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS THIS WEEK:

- > Tuesday, May 16th 1pm WELCA Bible study, and 5:30pm Council meeting
- ➤ Wednesday, May 17th, 5:30pm Confirmation
- Thursday, May 18th, 2pm Nursing home worship service (Pr. Tim officiating)
- Sunday, May 21st Confirmation during worship





