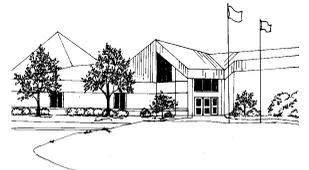


**Our mission
is to teach,
love,
and connect...
teach all ages
about Jesus,
love one another
as God loves us,
and connect
with others
in a hurting world.**



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We warmly welcome you in the name of Jesus!

We are always glad to have you worship with us.

*If you do not have a regular church home,
we invite you to make our church home yours.*

- † Our worship services are on Sunday mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 AM. We also invite and encourage you to join us in Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 AM.
- † Assisted hearing devices, children's bulletins, and large print service folders are available; please ask an usher for one.
- † While we encourage children to be present in worship, the upstairs cry room opposite the elevator is available for you.
- † Our worship services can now be viewed on the church's Facebook page (live or after the service), as well as on our YouTube channel. *The Lutheran Hour* can be heard on Sundays at 9:00 AM at KAWZ (102.7FM).

Prayer before worship:

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

AS WE GATHER "In God We Trust" is a familiar statement. It has been the official motto of the United States of America since 1956 and has appeared on American coins dating back to 1864. As God's people, we trust that God will keep His promises. Centuries ago, the psalmist confidently stated, "In God I trust; I shall not be afraid" (Psalm 56:11). Today we begin a new Church Year—another year of God's grace. We can celebrate that God has brought us to this time and place and together can look trustingly to blessings and surprises yet to come.

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

11:00 AM, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2022

PRESERVICE MUSIC "Light of the World" (Sing Hallelujah)

by A. Bergthold, E. Cash, F. Cash, M. Cash, S. Cash

We will be singing this later in the service. Please follow along on p. 11.

RINGING OF BELL

OPENING SONG

“Yes, I Will”

by E. Hoagland, J. Smith, M. Fieldes

Verse **I count on one thing:
The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now.
You won't fail me now.
In the waiting,
The same God who's never late
Is working all things out.
You're working all things out.**

Chorus **Yes, I will lift You high
In the lowest valley.
Yes, I will bless Your name.
Yes, I will sing for joy
When my heart is heavy
All my days, yes, I will.**

Repeat Verse and Chorus

For all my days, yes, I will.

Bridge **I choose to praise,
To glorify, glorify the name of all names
That nothing can stand against.
I choose to praise,
To glorify, glorify the name of all names
That nothing can stand against.**

Chorus

**For all my days, yes, I will.
For all my days, yes, I will.**

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WELCOME

Please stand.

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

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

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame.

People: **Make me to know Your ways, O Lord; teach me Your paths.**

Pastor: Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; for You I wait all the day long.

People: **May integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for You.**

Pastor: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

People: **In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.**

VERSE

“In Advent Hope”

1 In Ad-vent hope we gath - er And wor - ship trust - ing - ly,
As - sured that Christ is com - ing To set His peo - ple free.

Tune: Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Köln, 1623, Tune: Public domain

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Confident of receiving God’s great mercy, let us confess together that we by nature are sinful and that through our thoughts, words, and deeds we have sinned against our God and deserve His punishment now and eternally.

People: **Almighty God, we repent of our sins and ask for Your forgiving grace in our lives. Be merciful to us and for the sake of Jesus grant us remission of our sins so that, as Your redeemed people, we may greet you in Advent hope and with trusting hearts serve You in time and in eternity.**

Pastor: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: **And also with you.** *We share the peace of Christ with those around us.*

Remain standing for the hymn. During the singing of the hymn, the first candle on the Advent wreath is lighted.

HYMN

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

LSB 357, sts. 1, 2, 4

1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som
2 O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who or - d’rest
4 O come, Thou Branch of Jes - se’s tree, Free them from

cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
all things might - i - ly; To us the path of
Sa - tan's tyr - an - ny That trust Thy might - y

ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.
pow'r to save, And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.

Refrain
Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: Latin, c. 12th cent.; Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum, 1710, Köln; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–66, alt., Tune: French, 15th cent.
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Please be seated.

COME AND HEAR THE GOOD NEWS!

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah proclaims the peaceable kingdom of God.* **Isaiah 2:1–5**

Reader: The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be lifted up above the hills;
and all the nations shall flow to it,
and many peoples shall come, and say:
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”
For out of Zion shall go the law,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,

and shall decide disputes for many peoples;
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore.
O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *Put on the Lord Jesus Christ as you await His coming.* **Romans 13:8–14**

Reader: Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Reader: Please stand in reverence to the Gospel. *Stand.*

Holy Gospel **Matthew 24:36–44**

Pastor: Hear now the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: [Jesus said:] "But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have

stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The First Article

Pastor: As we begin a new Church Year and reflect on how Jesus' coming fulfilled the Father's plan for our salvation, we speak the First Article of the Apostles' Creed and its meaning. It relates the loving work of God the Father for us. He has created and still preserves us, and in His grace, He has brought us to the beginning of a new Church Year.

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: What does this mean?

People: I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

Please be seated.

SONG

"Sing to the King"

by B. Foote & C. S. Horne

**Sing to the King Who is coming to reign.
Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain.
Life and salvation His empire shall bring,
And joy to the nations, when Jesus is King.**

**Refrain: Come, let us sing a song,
A song declaring we belong to Jesus;
He is all we need.
Lift up a heart of praise.
Sing now with voices raised to Jesus;
Sing to the King.**

**For His returning we watch and we pray;
We will be ready the dawn of that day.
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed,
'cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King. *Refrain***

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD.

WE PRAISE THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS *Tithes and offerings are collected by the ushers. We encourage you to sign and pass the Friendship Book at this time. All communicants are invited to read and prayerfully consider the following.*

We believe that...

- † *Holy Communion is a Sacrament since it was instituted by Christ Himself.*
- † *We are truly worthy and well prepared to partake of Holy Communion when we repent of our sins and have faith in these words, "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins."*
- † *We receive the bread and wine and the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ when, as repentant, true believers we partake of Holy Communion.*

Our Savior Lutheran Church practices close communion.

What does this mean?

Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are welcome to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of our church or one of our sister congregations, we encourage you to speak to the pastor about preparing to participate in communion at Our Savior.

- † *Children and those not communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing (indicated by folded hands), or to remain seated for individual prayer. When the wine is offered, communicants have the choice of an individual cup or the common cup. Individual cups containing DARK WINE are alcohol-free for those with medical need only, please.*

OFFERTORY

Please stand.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

After each petition:

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our petition.

The prayers conclude:

Pastor: trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF CONSECRATION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My $\text{\textcircled{c}}$ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My $\text{\textcircled{c}}$ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION *Please be seated. If you are communing, please follow the directions of the ushers.*

SONG

"Savior of the Nations, Come"

LSB 332

- 1 Savior of the nations, come,
Virgin's Son, make here Your home!
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.**
- 2 Not by human flesh and blood,
By the Spirit of our God,
Was the Word of God made flesh—
Woman's offspring, pure and fresh.**
- 3 Here a maid was found with child,
Yet remained a virgin mild.
In her womb this truth was shown:
God was there upon His throne.**
- 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all
From His pure and kingly hall;
God of God, yet fully man,
His heroic course began.**

- 5 **God the Father was His source,
Back to God He ran His course.
Into hell His road went down,
Back then to His throne and crown.**
- 6 **For You are the Father's Son
Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
By Your mighty pow'r make whole
All our ills of flesh and soul.**
- 7 **From the manger newborn light
Shines in glory through the night.
Darkness there no more resides;
In this light faith now abides.**
- 8 **Glory to the Father sing,
Glory to the Son, our king,
Glory to the Spirit be
Now and through eternity.**

Text: attr. Ambrose of Milan, 340–397; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546; (sts. 1–2): tr. William M. Reynolds, 1812–76; (sts. 3, 6): tr. Lutheran Service Book, 2006; (sts. 4–5, 8): tr. F. Samuel Janzow, 1913–2001; (st. 7): tr. Gifford A. Grobrien, 1973
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SONG

“Come as You Are” by D. Crowder, M. Maher, & B. Glover

**Come out of sadness from wherever you've been.
Come, broken-hearted, let rescue begin.
Come find your mercy. O sinner, come kneel;
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal,
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.**

Chorus

**Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.
All who are broken, lift up your face.
O wanderer, come home; You're not too far.
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart,
Come as you are.**

**There's hope for the hopeless
And all those who've strayed:
Come sit at the table, come taste the grace.
There's rest for the weary,
Rest that endures.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure. *Chorus***

Bridge

Come as you are. Fall in His arms. Come as you are.

**There's joy for the morning. O sinner, be still.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. *Chorus***

Ending **Come as you are. Come as you are. Come as you are.**

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Please stand.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance on you and ☩ give you peace.

People: **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG “Light of the World” (Sing Hallelujah)

by A. Bergthold, E. Cash, F. Cash, M. Cash, S. Cash

**Light of the World, Treasure of Heaven,
Brilliant like the stars in the wintery sky.
Joy of the Father, reach through the darkness,
Shine across the earth, send the shadows to flight.**

**Light of the World, from the beginning
The tragedies of time were no match for Your love.
From great heights of glory, You saw my story.
God, You entered in and became one of us.**

Chorus: **Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah.
Sing hallelujah for the things He has done!
Come and adore Him, bow down before Him.
Sing hallelujah to the Light of the World.**

**Light of the world, crown in a manger,
Born for the cross, to suffer, to save.
High King of Heaven, death is the poorer.
We are the richer by the price that He paid.**

Chorus

**Light of the World soon will be coming.
With fire in His eyes, He will ransom His own.
Through clouds He will lead us straight into glory.
And there He shall reign forevermore, forevermore.**

Chorus

SILENT PRAYER

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Readings for next Sunday, 12/4:

Isaiah 11:1–10

Psalm 72:1–7

Romans 15:4–13

Matthew 3:1–12
