Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

1205 North Lincoln Ave O'Fallon, IL (618) 632-0126 www.mybslc.org Worship –9:30 am. Rev. Vernon Lintvedt, Pastor Assisting: Matt Martin

Cheryl Vohlken, Organist Sunday School in recess until Sept 11

The 14th Sunday after Pentecost

September 11, 2022

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY: The Baptism of Zuri Lintvedt

Sunday School begins (10:45 -11:45 AM)

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Psalm 30:2–5; antiphon: vv. 11a, 12b

- L: You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever!
- C: O LORD my God, I cried to You for help, and You have healed me.
- L: O LORD, You have brought up my soul from Sheol; You restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.
- C: Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints, and give thanks to His holy name.
- L: For His anger is but for a moment, and His favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L: Let us now confess our sin to God, our merciful Father. Gracious God,

C: we admit and confess our sinfulness. We are by nature sinful and unclean. Daily we do things we ought not do and do not live up to our calling as the people of Your pasture and the sheep of Your hand. We justly deserve Your punishment in this life and for eternity. Trusting in Your mercy, we come to You for forgiveness. Our trust is in the merits of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Grant us remission of all our sins and lead us to renewed lives that reflect Your goodness and love.

DECLARATION OF GRACE

- L: God spoke through Ezekiel the Prophet saying: "I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak..." (Ezek 34:16). God is gracious and merciful. He hears our prayers and joyfully restores us to His fold. By your confession of sins and trust in the cleansing blood shed on the cross of Jesus, it is my joy to announce: Our sins have been forgiven in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE "He Knows My Name" Tommy Walker

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, grant that we with all boldness and courage bring to You our petitions with the assurance that You care for us as individuals. With Your abiding care, grant us every good thing for this life and every blessing in the life to come; for You live with and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BAPTISMAL SONG "The Borning Cry"

RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM Zuri Shanti Lintvedt

Zuri is the first-born child of Erik & Jayni Lintvedt. Her godparents are the Shaun & Heidi Brady, Travis Lintvedt, and Kristen Lintvedt.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Ezekiel 34:11–24

(God will personally search for His sheep.)

VERSE Luke 15:10

L: Alleluia. I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God

C: over one sinner who repents. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 15:1–10

(Jesus tells the parables of the lost sheep and lost coin.)

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read)

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN No. 380 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king; Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled." Joyful, all you nations, rise; Join the triumph of the skies; With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! The Herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! The Herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild he lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! The Herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

SERMON "Hark the Herald Angels Sing... Again!" Luke 15:1-10

Pastor Vern

CONFESSION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

stand

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

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

OFFERING "Never Forget!" (video)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

All: 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.

BLESSING OF THE LORD

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord smile upon you and ≰ give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYNM No. 387 "Joy to the World" (vss. 1, 2 & 4)

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love, And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders of His love.

SENDING

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!