

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship –9:30 am.

Rev. Vernon Lintvedt, Pastor
Assisting: Seminarian Matt Martin
Cheryl Vohlken, Organist
Sunday School & Bible Class 10:45 am

The 20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2022

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today: 4G “A Pathway to Discipleship” – Today’s Theme “Give”
(3PM –Today) Fall Festival, Trunk Or Treat, Chili Cook off.**

Nov 24 – “Home Alone” Dinner – Contact Pastor Vern if interested in participating – pv@mybslc.org

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 24:1-6 (The earth is the Lord's)

L: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,

C: **for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.**

L: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
And who shall stand in his holy place?

C: **He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.**

L: He will receive blessing from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

C: **Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

CONFESION AND DECLARATION OF GRACE

L: James writes: “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.” Yet we have often taken for granted those heaven-sent gifts, especially the gift of salvation, purchased with the life blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. But God in His great mercy looks down upon us in our need and gifts us with grace upon grace so that we may be reconciled to Him and through His forgiveness opens our hearts to be reconciled to one another. Because of our sins of thought, word, and action, we are unworthy of the grace we receive. Therefore, at our Lord's invitation, let us come before our heavenly Father in humility and faith, seeking His pardon for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

(The Forgiveness of God is Declared)

SHARING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE “The Goodness of Jesus”

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray

C: **and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve.**

L: Strengthen us in the certainty of the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting in Your heavenly kingdom,

C: **that, as Your children, we may love and trust in You all our days;**

L: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Joel 2:28-29 (The Holy Spirit is Poured Out)

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 9:6–15. (The Cheerful Giver)

VERSE Luke 12:31-32

L: Alleluia! He will command His angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

C: **Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless His holy name!**

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 12:22–34

(The kingdom of God belongs to the children who come to Jesus.)

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth 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. 702 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine,
Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart;
My zeal inspire!
As Thou hast died for me,
Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm and changeless be,
A living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread
And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrows's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul!

SERMON 4G – A Pathway to Discipleship - Give

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

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.

We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.
When perils o'er take us,
You will not forsake us,
And with Your help, O Lord,
our struggles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord, beside us,
Your strong arm will guide us.
To you, our great Redeemer,
forever be praise!

SENDING

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
C: Thanks be to God!

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 look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.
C: Amen.

HYMN No. 785 "We Praise You, O God"

We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You,
we kneel and adore You;
We bless your holy name,
glad praises we sing.

