

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship –9:30 am Sunday School & Bible Class: 10:45am

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#(un)filtered

“Following Jesus in a selfie world”

Sunday, May 10, 2026 - Part 5

“#compassion” (reviving) - Mark 1:40-45

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF GOD’S PEACE

INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: In a world of digital noise and quick judgment,

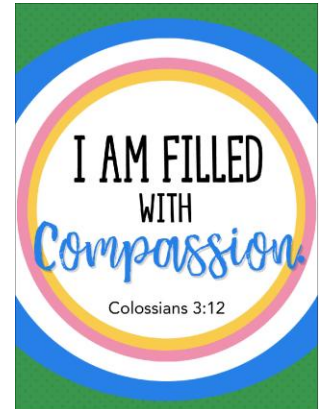
C: Teach us the slow, intentional pace of Jesus.

P: He reaches out His hand to the outcast; He sees the unseen.

C: Revive our hearts, Lord, to love with a compassion that moves us to action.

P: It’s time to stop scrolling and start living.

C: To discover the beauty of God’s unfiltered grace.



OPENING HYMN “For God So Loved” (Worship Initiative)

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: Merciful God, we confess that the digital world has made our hearts cold. We have joined in the noise of outrage and looked past the pain of real people. We have stayed at a safe distance when You called us to move closer. Forgive our apathy. Soften our hearts and give us the courage to show mercy.

C: Lord, have mercy! Christ, have mercy!

P: Come near to me and hear my cries through Jesus:

*(You are invited to silently reflect on the fact that
though our sin is great, Christ’s love is greater.)*

P: God is rich in mercy and slow to anger. Walk now in the light of His forgiveness.

C: Thanks be to God!

P: God’s unfiltered grace pours over you completely, fully, mercifully. The masks come off. The scrolling stops. From a cross and a tomb, the Lord’s extravagant grace flows into your broken heart, filling you to the brim, as He gives you a new identity and new hope. Hear the good news! Because of Jesus’ death and resurrection, your sins are forgiven,

C: “As far as the east is from the west!” (Ps 103:12) Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Merciful Savior, who reached out Your hand to touch the untouchable: Soften our hearts that have grown cold in the noise of digital outrage. Move us from the safety of the comment section into the proximity of the hurting, that we may reflect Your healing love to a broken world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

C: **Amen.**

✠ **WORD** ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 58:6-12

“Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you;

the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’ If you take away the yoke from your midst, the pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness, if you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness

and your gloom be as the noonday. And the LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your desire in scorched places and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail. And your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to dwell in.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING Colossians 3:12-17

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:40-45

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the first chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

And a leper came to him, imploring him, and kneeling said to him, "If you will, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, "I will; be clean." And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. And Jesus sternly charged him and sent him away at once, and said to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, for a proof to them." But he went out and began to talk freely about it, and to spread the news, so that Jesus could no longer openly enter a town, but was out in desolate places, and people were coming to him from every quarter.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN LSB 848 "Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service" (vs 1,3-4)

**Lord, whose love through humble service
Bore the weight of human need,
Who upon the cross, forsaken,
Offered mercy's perfect deed,
We, Your servants, bring the worship
Not of voice alone, but heart,
Consecrating to Your purpose
Ev'ry gift that You impart.**

**As we worship, grant us vision,
Till Your love's revealing light
In its height and depth and greatness,
Dawns upon our quickened sight,
Making known the needs and burdens
Your compassion bids us bear,
Stirring us to tireless striving,
Your abundant life to share.**

**Called by worship to Your service,
Forth in Your dear name we go,
To the child, the youth, the aged,
Love in living deeds to show;
Hope and health, good-will and comfort,
Counsel, aid, and peace we give,
That Your servants, Lord, in freedom
May Your mercy know and live.**

SERMON "#compassion" (reviving) - Mark 1:40-45 Pastor Nathan

CREED The Apostle's *Creed*. (*Please rise.*)

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 "All We Need" (Charlie Hall)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN LSB 850 "God of Grace and God of Glory" (vs 1-2,4)

God of grace and God of glory,
On Your people pour Your pow'r;
Crown Your ancient Church's story;
Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.

**Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.**

**Lo, the hosts of evil round us
Scorn the Christ, assail His ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
For the living of these days,
For the living of these days.**

**Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Your salvation
Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
Serving You whom we adore,
Serving You whom we adore.**

SENDING

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**