

# SUNDAY WORSHIP

## May 15, 2022



### Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 15, 2022

8:45 AM Worship

**SCRIPTURE SERIES 7, 2022: LIFE TOGETHER**

**We explore Christian community through Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book Life Together, written while in an underground seminary during the Nazi years in Germany.**

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

P How very good and pleasant it is  
when kindred live together in unity!

**C It is like the precious oil on the head,  
running down upon the beard, on the beard of  
Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.**

P It is like the dew of Hermon,  
which falls on the mountains of Zion.

**C For there the Lord ordained his blessing,  
life forevermore.**

P Let us together worship the Lord.

**SONG: Holy God, We Praise Your Name  
ELW 414**

Holy God, we praise your name;  
Lord of all, we bow before you.  
All on earth your scepter claim,  
all in heav'n above adore you.  
Infinite your vast domain,  
everlasting is your reign.

Hark! the glad celestial hymn  
angel choirs above are raising;  
cherubim and seraphim,  
in unceasing chorus praising,  
fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:  
"Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

Lo, the apostolic train  
join your sacred name to hallow;  
prophets swell the glad refrain,  
and the white-robed martyrs follow;  
and from morn to set of sun  
through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit,  
three we name you, though in essence only one;  
undivided God we claim you  
and, adoring, bend the knee  
while we own the mystery.

Author: Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Gracious and loving God, we come to you today  
knowing we are broken, both as individuals and as a  
community. Give us the courage to openly confess  
our sin through the power of your Holy Spirit, so we  
may love you and others with our whole hearts. Let us  
take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin.

Silence

P God of all,  
**C We confess that we take our ability to freely  
gather to worship for granted. We neglect to  
worship you both in community and in solitude.  
Forgive us for the ways we turn away from your  
gifts of prayer, Scripture, song, and communion.**

P God of community,  
**C We confess that we often gossip, judge, and  
bring down others instead of building up your  
kingdom through words of compassion and care.  
We are quick to speak and slow to listen. Forgive  
us for the ways we turn away from others and  
from your gifts present in the body of Christ.**

P God of creation,  
**C We confess that we take your creation for**

**granted, from the promise of the first morning light to the expanse of the stars of the universe. Forgive us for the ways we turn away from your gifts that sustain life.**

P Friends in Christ, each morning we turn again to God, confident in God's unending mercy and love. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for God who has promised is faithful.

**C Amen.**

**SONG: All Are Welcome ELW 641**

Let us build a house where love can dwell  
and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell  
how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions;

All are welcome, all are welcome,  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
and words are strong and true,  
where all God's children dare to seek  
to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
and as symbol of God's grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

All are welcome, all are welcome,  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found  
in water, wine and wheat:  
A banquet hall on holy ground,  
where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
is revealed in time and space;  
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

All are welcome, all are welcome,  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach  
beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
and live the word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger  
bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome, all are welcome,  
All are welcome in this place.

**TODAY'S THEME**

**SONG: Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The unity of heart and mind is like that to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear;  
and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil and pain, and sin, we shall be free;  
and perfect love and friendship reign  
through all eternity.

Author: John Fawcett, 1782. Copyright: Public Domain

**READINGS**

**Reader Ruel Carpenter**

**Ephesians 6:18**

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

**2 Timothy 3:14-17**

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that

everyone who belongs to God may be proficient,  
equipped for every good work.

R This is the word of our Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

### **SONG: Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty ELW 777**

"Come to me, all pilgrims thirsty;  
drink the water I will give.  
If you knew what gift I offer,  
you would come to me and live."

Jesus, everflowing fountain,  
give us water from your well.  
In the gracious gift you offer  
there is joy no tongue can tell.

"Come to me, all trav'lers weary;  
come that I may give you rest.  
Drink the cup of life I offer;  
at this table be my guest."

Jesus, everflowing fountain,  
give us water from your well.  
In the gracious gift you offer  
there is joy no tongue can tell.

"Come to me, believers burdened;  
find refreshment in this place.  
Come, receive the gift I offer,  
turn to me and seek my face."

Jesus, everflowing fountain,  
give us water from your well.  
In the gracious gift you offer  
there is joy no tongue can tell.

Author: Delores Dufner, The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844  
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## CONFESSION OF FAITH

**C We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,**

**who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 20

P The law of the Lord is perfect,  
reviving the soul;

**C the decrees of the Lord are sure,  
making wise the simple;**

P the precepts of the Lord are right,  
rejoicing the heart;

**C the commandment of the Lord is clear,  
enlightening the eyes;**

P the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring for ever;

**C the ordinances of the Lord are true  
and righteous altogether.**

P More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold;

**C sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the  
honeycomb.**

## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### RECONCILIATION

P The Peace of Christ be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

### OFFERING

### PRAYER AFTER OFFERING

R Let Us Pray,

**C All that we have and all that we are comes from  
you. Bless these gifts that we return to you and  
give us confidence that together our generosity  
will powerfully shape your creation, bringing hope  
and new life. Amen.**

## JESUS' WORDS OF INVITATION

### LORD'S PRAYER

### HOLY COMMUNION

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray,

**C We thank you that we, though many, are made one body through your gift of communion. Strengthen us for the days ahead and make us blessings for the world through this gift of grace. Amen.**

### BLESSING

P The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

**C Amen.**

P The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

P The God of all grace bless you now and forever.

**C Amen**

### SONG **Now the Green Blade Rises** ELW 379

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,  
wheat that in the dark earth many years has lain;  
love lives again, that with the dead has been;  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid him, love by hatred slain,  
thinking that he would never wake again,  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter like the risen grain,  
he that for three days in the grave had lain;  
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen:  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Author: John MacLeod Campbell Crum, 1872-1958; French Carol  
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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DISMISSAL

P As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him.

**C Thanks be to God!**

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Please remember in your prayers:

Laurie Dahl and family on the passing of her mother, Darren Beecher, Lisa Zuk, Ethel Haugen, Kennedy Deutmeyer, Scott Willenbring, The people of Ukraine

### San Isidro Labrador in Guatemala

### Tarkanfi in Ethiopia

### Shut-ins unable to worship with us include:

Marlys Gamm, Gladys Hanson, Eunice Banta, Ray Thorp, Marv Emly, Cindy Durand, Ray Hartley, Marlena McClanahan, Elaine Thielke, and Anita Callander.

**To join the prayer chain or to add your concerns, please email [prayerchain@oursaviorsonline.org](mailto:prayerchain@oursaviorsonline.org) or call Jeanne Zaske at (651) 398-2414**

Dear Friends,

Amy Minear, who has been serving as our Office Manager, will be leaving her position, effective May 20. We appreciate all the good and faithful work Amy has done over the past year-and-a-half, and we wish her well and will hold her in prayer in future endeavors.

This means we are looking for applicants for Office Manager. It's a 24 hour a week position (presently 9 AM to Noon on Monday and Friday, 9 AM to 3 PM Tuesday through Thursday, although exact hours are negotiable). It involves typical office management responsibilities, including being first point of contact in-person and by phone for members, visitors and workers/vendors in the building, keeping track of and ordering supplies, keeping church database current and being the go to for its use by members, scheduling groups and activities, overseeing electronic donations, creating and printing weekly bulletins and other material, helping to schedule worship volunteers (readers, offering counters), generating and publishing OSLC's weekly electronic newsletter and otherwise posting announcements and information for the congregation. Facility with Windows OS and Office Programs (especially Word, Publisher and Excel), and a willingness to learn a few proprietary programs (the programs that run our LED sign outside and our scrolling announcement screens in the narthex, and the program we use to create the material for projection during worship) are required.

Please be in touch if you are interested in this position or know someone who is!

Peace,

Pastor Steve



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will be July 18-21  
Sign up online, there is a link to the form  
on the home page of our website.

**Cost is \$25 per child.**

Adult and Youth volunteer opportunities  
will be available.



## Our Savior's Gardeners

Spring has finally arrived and we are once again recruiting anyone interested in helping with the various garden plots around our church yard with weeding and upkeep. Various people have offered to care for an area, or two around the church and are willing to do so when it fits their schedule. There are a couple of occasions when we send out an evening or weekend work time together, however, there is no commitment to fit that in your schedule.

Please contact us and we will be happy to meet you at church on a Sunday morning or an evening to find an area that works for and interests you. Thank you for considering this ministry at our church.

Jeanne and Bob Zaske

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## SUMMER WORSHIP TIME

**Memorial Weekend,**

**Sunday, May 29**

**through**

**Labor Day Weekend,**

**Sunday, September 4**

**9:30 AM only**

Proceeds from this event will go towards purchasing a “new, used” van for the Youth mission trips and activities. The old van is over 30 years old and needs replacement.

# — JOIN OUR — **FUNDRAISER** AT RAISING CANE'S

**Mention the fundraiser at the register  
and Cane's will donate 15% of sales to:**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

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**DATE & TIME:**

**Tuesday, June 14th from 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

**LOCATION:**

**1560 109th Ave NE, Blaine, MN 55449  
(763) 780-0959**



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# CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILY

## 50-50 Raffle Fundraiser for

### Youth Mission Trips

50-50 Raffle tickets are now available to purchase. One winner will get half of the money raised! The raffle tickets (\$1 each) will be sold in between services on Sundays and the winning name will be drawn at the end of the Garage Sale on Saturday, May 21. Must be 21 years or older to purchase.

All Proceeds for 50-50 Raffle and Garage Sale go towards supporting the youth mission trips at OSLC

### Summer Stretch

Looking for something to do at the end of summer? Summer Stretch is a week long summer ministry program centered around service and fellowship for anyone currently in 5-12 grade. This is an ecumenical ministry which means we are partnering with other churches in the area. Summer Stretch will take place from August 15-19 and registration will come out sometime in May. For more information contact Nick Gilbert

### Mission Trip Prayer Partners

There's a new opportunity to serve! This year we are connecting all our mission trip participants with prayer partners. The partnership involves simply meeting at least once with the student/adult leader before the trip and then praying for them, especially when they are on their trip. The meeting could occur at a pre-established mission trip meeting, during or after church, or any other time that works for you and your partner. If you are interested in being a prayer partner please contact Nick Gilbert or sign up on Sundays at the Mission trip poster board and we will assign a student. More detailed information will be provided upon signing up.

# GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER

for Youth Mission Trips

**Saturday, May 21st**  
**8:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**DROP OFF TIMES (in designated areas):**

**Tuesday, May 17, from 4:00 pm—8:00 pm**

**Wednesday, May 18, from 9:00 am - 8:00 pm**

**Thursday, May 19, from 9:00 am -8:00 pm**

**NO DONATIONS ACCEPTED ON FRIDAY, MAY 20th**

### Are you spring cleaning?

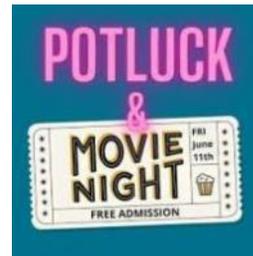
Please donate items to help the Mission trips! Donate your clothing, toys, household items, and other items. Help us by dropping off **gently used clothing and clean items**

**NO MATTRESSES & CRIBS, LARGE EXERCISE EQUIPMENT, TV'S, COMPUTER SCREENS or MONITORS, OR COMPUTERS. NO DVD or VHS PLAYERS, PRINTERS, SPEAKERS, MICROWAVES, VIDEO CAMERAS, SHREDDERS, AQUARIUMS, LIGHTING,**

**Large furniture subject to approval— NO ENTERTAINMENT CENTERS**

**Questions? Ask Charisse**  
**[cfroemke@oursaviorsonline.org](mailto:cfroemke@oursaviorsonline.org)**

# OSLC STAFF



NOTE: you can reach our onsite staff by calling 763-784-1971 and entering their extension # noted below by the "x".

**Lead Pastor,**

Stephen Sylvester x1004

**Interim Pastor,**

Jen Hackbarth x1005

**Pastor for Seniors,**

Craig Hanson x1006

**Director of Music,**

Kyung Ko x1011

**Finance & Operations,**

Christine Ventrelli x1002

**Office Manager,**

Amy Minear x1001 (main voicemail)

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Children's Ministry Danielle Draheim, x1009

Youth Ministry Nick Gilbert, x1007

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Joy Rauner 763-234-8131

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**OSLC Funeral Coordinators,** Char & Rick Wymer

**Manager for Worship Production,**

Charles Puskas

**Head Ushers:** Verne Nelson/ Chuck Sikora

We really, really need to get together again! Toward that end, on Friday May 13 (that's not bad luck, right?), I encourage you to carve out time to attend what I hope will be the first of many such gatherings. We will gather at 6 for the meal, after which we will view one of my favorite movies, "The Spitfire Grill." Roger Ebert didn't like it, but I do.

We will provide childcare for wee ones, but until we really get the ball rolling and figure things out, we won't have anything specific for primary grade kids, although they are certainly welcome to join us for viewing the film.

If you think you will be attending, please respond to this email to let me know, as it would be great to have some idea how many we will have. If you have any questions, email me with those as well. We're also looking at setting up some book studies, with the first of them taking place during the summer. We will be "gathering" via zoom, and not to give anyone painful flashbacks, but because that will allow us to include people who are on vacation or up at the cabin. If there is enough interest, however, we can always have a virtual and an in-person group. No dates yet set, of course, but the book I am looking at to kick things off is, "Creation: An Appeal to Save Life on Earth" by E. O. Wilson.

**So, May 13, 6 PM, "The Spitfire Grill," because we really, really need to get together again.**

Peace,  
Pastor Steve

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**Individual staff schedules vary, please make appointment for specific needs**