

SUNDAY WORSHIP

May 15, 2022



Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 15, 2022

10:45 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: Come, Now Is the Time to Worship
by Doerksen**

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains for those
who gladly choose You now

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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: Love Is What We Need by Angrisano

Gathered here, we see we are one family.
Love is what we need.

Gathered here, we see we are one family.
Love is what we need.

All who dwell in God dwell in love,
and love will set us free.

So let our mission be to live so all will see
his love in us.

In everyone we meet, the greatest and the least,
love is what we need.

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love is what we need.

All who dwell in God dwell in love,
and love will set us free.

So let our mission be to live so all will see
his love in us.

So now we join in faith to share our hope in grace
that in the darkest night love is our saving light.

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Sacrament of Holy Baptism

**Nixon Edward Osen
Abby Christina Sweeney**

Pastor: Baptism is God's gift. It is a tangible sign of God's boundless love for us. Through this gift we are given new life; no longer defined by the powers of sin and death, we are free to see ourselves and our neighbors as children of God. By these waters we are united with all the baptized, flowing together into one body of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve as disciples of Jesus Christ. Trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Nixon and Abby baptized into Christ?

Parents and Sponsors: I do.

Pastor: As you bring these children for baptism, God is entrusting you with some responsibilities; to foster a relationship between them and God's faithful people, give them the gift of God's word, teach them to celebrate the Lord's supper, and nurture them in faith and prayer as you grow in your own faith so that these children may learn to trust God's love for them and show forth Christ's love for others and God's whole creation, pursuing justice and peace for all. Do you promise to help these children grow as disciples of Jesus Christ?

Parents and Sponsors: I do.

Pastor: People of God, we are all drawn together in new life through the waters of baptism. As we celebrate the baptisms of Nixon and Abby, I encourage you to take this opportunity to reaffirm your own baptismal promises as we pledge our support for our new brothers. Will you be the body of Christ with and for these children and their families, create relationships with them, supporting them, challenging them, and nurturing their growth in faith as they celebrate and live out this new life in Christ?

Congregation: We will.

Pastor: Saying "yes" to God's gift of baptism means saying "no" to the powers of sin and death that stand against the will of God. Do you renounce the powers of sin, evil, and all the forces that separate us from God, our neighbors, and creation?

Parents and Sponsors: I renounce them.

Pastor: Congregation, please join us as we confess our faith.

Congregation: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Pastor: Nixon Edward Osen / Abby Christina Sweeney, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Pastor: Nixon Edward Osen / Abby Christina Sweeney children of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked by the cross of Christ forever. Amen.

Pastor: This candle, lit from the paschal candle, represents the light of Christ that now shines forth from Michael, Brodyn & Jace. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and

glorify your Father in heaven.

Pastor: Let us welcome Michael, Brodyn & Jace into this congregation.

Congregation: Welcome to the body of Christ! Together we will seek to be in healthy relationships with God, all people everywhere, and creation itself. We promise to walk with you through your life of faith as we discover together what it means to be disciples of Jesus Christ here and now. Thanks be to God.

Pastor: Family and sponsors, you may be seated.

SONG: Alleluia! Love Is Alive by Angrisano

People of God, see the morning is new
Rise from your sleeping and run to the tomb
Come and see! Come and see! He is alive!
A grave that is empty, a promise fulfilled
God who was with us is here with us still
He is here! He is here! He is alive!

Alleluia! Love is alive
Conquered the grave and defeated the night
Alleluia! Love is alive!
The Son has arisen for all
Your people sing alleluia!

People of God, let your fear fall away
Your chains have been broken; abandon your shame
Lift your hearts! Lift your hearts! He is alive!
Here now is mercy embracing your soul
Here the fulfillment that once was foretold
It is true! It is true! He is alive!

Alleluia! Love is alive
Conquered the grave and defeated the night
Alleluia! Love is alive!
The Son has arisen for all
Your people sing alleluia!

People of God now rejoicing in Christ
Carry your joy to the darkness of night
Tell the world! Tell the world! He is alive!
Hear the good news of this glorious day
Every heart singing as heaven proclaims
He is Lord! He is Lord! He is alive!

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READINGS

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: 10,000 reasons by Redman

Bless the Lord
O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing
when the evening comes

Bless the Lord
O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons
for my heart to find

Bless the Lord
O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending

Ten thousand years
and then forevermore

Bless the Lord
O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

Bless the Lord
O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

Lord I'll worship
Your holy name

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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 Soon and Very Soon by Crouch

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
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soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

Author: Author: Andraë Crouch, b. 1945

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!

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

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?

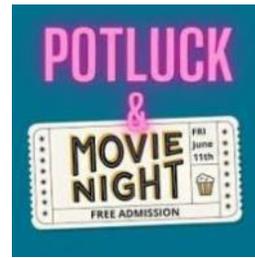
Please donate items to help the Mission trips! Donate your clothing, toys, household items, and other items. Help us by dropping off **gently used clothing and clean items**

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
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OSLC STAFF



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

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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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