WELCOME TO WORSHIP!



Service of the Word 11th Sunday after Pentecost August 16, 2020 • 10:00 AM

Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran

The Reverend Paul Egensteiner, Bishop The Reverend Marc Herbst, Pastor Judith Feuss, Music Director/Organist



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WELCOME to the CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LUTHERAN (COSL)! We are pleased to have you join us for worship today, and we hope that your experience is spiritually enriching and meaningful.

IF YOU ARE NEW to COSL, here are some things you might like to know:

- Who we are. COSL is a congregation of the family of God that welcomes all people without discrimination or prejudice, seeking to strengthen one another with Word and Sacraments, prayer, and example. Our mission is to:
 - Share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and his love with all people.
 - Reach out to our community with friendship and witness.
 - Bring hope and healing to those who are in need, both at home and abroad.
 - Offer opportunities for worship, learning, fellowship, and service.
 - Encourage all members to discover, develop and share their God-given talents.
- Children are always welcome to join us for worship. They are encouraged to come forward during Children's
 Messages and participate. Also, please note that there are Activity Bags (containing books, coloring, and other
 materials inside) available for children preschool to Age 6, in the narthex (entrance hall).
- **Childcare** is provided for interested families during worship. Ms. Anna Gordy, a mother of four and grandmother of nine (and counting!), has vast experience in childcare, including 15 years at a local Parish Resource Center. This ministry is provided in the Nursery School Room, located on the lower level.
- **Sunday School,** available for children ages 4 through 12, is offered September through June. The program begins during the 10AM worship with an opening Children's Message among the entire congregation, and then the students depart to learn beloved Bible stories, Lutheran identity, and the love of Jesus. They return before the conclusion of worship to participate in the dismissal. On designated Youth Sundays the students may remain with the entire congregation and participate in a meaningful way throughout the liturgy.
- Coffee and refreshments are generally served following worship in the Parlor, located on the lower level accessible from the narthex (entrance hall). Please join us!
- **Restrooms** are located on the lower level along the main hallway. A changing table is available in another restroom located off the fellowship hall.
- Worship Assistance and Emergency Needs. First aid kits and a defibrillator are readily available. Please see an usher if assistance is needed, or if you have any other concerns or questions.
- **Pastoral Care.** We minister to the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of all God's children. Confidentiality is respected. For pastoral care please feel free to contact Pastor Marc Herbst (see contact info above) or one of our agencies: (counseling) **Lutheran Counseling Center**, 132 Jefferson Ave., Mineola, 800-317-1173 or 516-741-0994 or (food and essentials) **New LIFE Center**, **Long Island**, 311 Uniondale Ave., Uniondale, 516-483-3240.

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Liturgical Color, Revised Common Lectionary – Green The Reverend Marc Herbst, Presiding Minister

GATHERING - The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Presider: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is

everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen.

Presider: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Assistant: Reconciling God, we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Presider: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Amen.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider: Let us pray.

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout

the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



WORD - God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

LESSON: Genesis 45:1-15

Moved to tears by Judah's plea on behalf of Benjamin, Joseph declares, "I am Joseph!" and asks, "Is my father still alive?" Despite the brothers' evil intent, God used Joseph to preserve many lives at a time of famine.

Lector: A reading from the Book of Genesis:

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[After Judah offered himself in place of his brother Benjamin,] ¹Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. ²And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. ³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. 7God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. 8So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. 9Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. 10 You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. 11 will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' 12 And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. ¹³You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." 14Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

SERMON

SOLO OF THE DAY: Simple Song from Mass (Leonard Bernstein) Robert Horowitz. Tenor

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assistant: Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Assistant: Lord, you gather the church to be part of your mission as ambassadors of Jesus Christ. As Jesus acknowledged the great faith of a woman from outside his people, help your church discover and find blessing in the faith of people we might reject. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Assistant: You have blessed us with the bounty of the earth. Grant your grace to all your creatures, that the earth will flourish. Relieve waters choked by garbage, renew soils stripped of nutrients, and refresh the air all creatures need to live. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Assistant: You call the nations to be glad and sing for joy. Let your way be known among all the nations of the world, now divided by competing interests, contending alliances, and consumed by enormous worry. Bless us and make your face shine upon all. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Assistant: You show unexpected mercy, kindness, and generosity. We pray for those who do not have enough, for outcasts in our villages, cities, and town, and for those who need your healing, especially Craig, Hilda, Jeanne, Irma, Christa, Belle, Jean, Angele, Joyce, Bill, Klaus, Charles, Bud, Terri, John, Linda, and those whom we name in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Assistant: In you we live and move and have our being. Grant our congregation grace to find our life refreshed in you. Accompany us in the rhythms of late summer. Give us rest and renewal, and strengthen us for mission in your name. Be present among us as we celebrate the birthdays of Connor, Brian, Pamela and Joanne, and the wedding anniversary of Andrew & Pam. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Assistant: Your eternal promises are more than we could ever imagine. As you gather all the saints, especially Donald and Minerva, join us also with them on the great day of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Presider: In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING - God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

Presider: 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.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Assistant: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

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SERVING THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

Ministers: People of the Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran

Assisting Minister: Jeanine Levitan

Worship Attendants: Antonio Centeno, Valerie Gavora, Laurie Herbert, Lisa

Keenan, Tim Keenan, Gil McNally, Kathy McNally, Rosa Morakis, John

Merseburg, Lynn Nigro and Bobby Stainkamp

PRAYERS OF COMFORT AND HEALING

(Unless a renewed request is received, prayer intercessions for individuals will be listed for three consecutive weeks.)

ASSISTED CARE/HOMEBOUND: Craig Anderson (father of Keri Anderson Reda), Hilda Bormann, Jeanne Geib, Irma Grunewald, Christa Horn, Belle Lewis, Jean Millington (mother of Debbie Capilupi), Angele Moomjy and Joyce Morin

HOSPITALIZATION/ILLNESS/MEDICAL CARE: Bill Herbst (cousin of Pastor Marc Herbst), Klaus Kiess, Charles Lecesse (father-in-law of Bobby Stainkamp), Bud McHale (friend of Kathy McNally), Terri McNally (sister-in-law of Kathy McNally), John Treiber (brother of Kathy McNally), Linda Ziccardi (friend of Kathy McNally)

GRIEF: Family and friends of Donald Henriksen (brother of Karin Artinian) and Minerva Lick (mother of Carol Furciato and grandmother of Allison Azzara)

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING — 8/16 through 8/22

BIRTHDAYS: Connor Rummel – 8/17, Brian Carstens and Pamela Carstens - 8/18, and Joanne Saltini – 8/21

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Andrew & Pam Sapienza – 8/16

JUNE YTD FINANCIALS

Income: \$148,749 Expenses: \$159,993 Deficit: \$11,224

OUTDOOR WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Sunday, August 9th – 42 cars, 65 people, 3 canines!

Sunday, August 2nd – 38 cars, 59 people, 2 canines!

Sunday, July 26th – 40 cars, 59 people, 2 canines!

Sunday, July 19th – 37 cars, 50 people, no canines

Sunday, July 12th – 34 cars, 53 people, no canines

Sunday, July 5th – 32 cars, 48 people, 1 canine!

MEMORIAL FOR MINERVA LICK: A memorial will be held on Thursday, August 20^{th.} Visitation will take place in the church's parlor, beginning at 10:00 AM. A worship service will follow at 11:00 AM. The interment will take place afterward at the Calverton National Cemetery, 210 Princeton Boulevard, Calverton, NY 11933.

<u>FOOD PLEDGE STILL ON:</u> The pandemic has made the need to feed the hungry even greater. Please consider bringing non-perishable goods to worship throughout the summer. These donations will be collected and delivered to the Lutheran Social Services of New York's NEW LIFE Center food pantry in Uniondale. The donations will be collected as you depart from worship. Thank you for your generosity.

CHURCH SECURES NEW TRACTOR: The Resources Ministry Team was compelled to replace our 11-year-old tractor that has been used to maintain our landscaping needs. During the last few years, we have incurred increased repair costs, and last month the tractor's transmission failed. A new John Deere X570 mower was purchased at approximately \$6,000.00. We welcome any donations that can help us offset this unexpected expense.



Our Hands." Church of Our Saviour Lutheran Manhasset

is joing with ELCA service activities "Gods Work. Our hands."

We are kicking things off with Fill A Backpack. Backpack and supplies go to children through the New LIFE Center-Long Island

FILL A

it's not just about paper, pens, or binders-- it's about giving the gift of opportunity in school and life that many children will not receive otherwise.

You can **FILL**, **ADOPT** or **FUND** a backpack.

Backpacks available or supply your own

Make it a summer family project!

A contribution of any kind helps to relieve the burden involved with prepping for the school year.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands.

- O Backpacks
- O Lunch Boxes
- O 3 ring Binders
- O Loose Leaf Paper
- O Graph Paper
- O Composition Notebooks O Glue
- O Spiral Notebooks
- O Folders
- O Crayons
- O Colored Pencils
- O Markers
- O Highlighters

O Calculators (regular and scientific)

O Pens (red, blue, black)

O Pencil Sharpeners

O Pencil Case/Box

O Pencils

O Earasers

O Glue Sticks

O Rulers

O Scissors

O Index Cards

Deadline for donations August 23rd



REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 16, 2020

Sunday, August 16th

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 • Psalm 67 • Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 • Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

(Semi-continuous Series) Genesis 45:1-15 • Psalm 133

Monday, August 17th

2 Kings 5:1-14 • Acts 15:15-21 • Psalm 87

Tuesday, August 18th

Isaiah 43:8-13 • Romans 11:13-29 • Psalm 87

Wednesday, August 10th

Isaiah 66:18-23 • Matthew 8:1-13 • Psalm 87

Thursday, August 20th

Ezekiel 28:11-19 • 1 Corinthians 6:1-11 • Psalm 138

Friday, August 21st

Ezekiel 31:15-18 • 2 Corinthians 10:12-18 • Psalm 138

Saturday, August 22nd

Ezekiel 36:33-38 • Matthew 16:5-12 • Psalm 138

Sunday, August 23rd

Isaiah 51:1-6 • Psalm 138 • Romans 12:1-8 • Matthew 16:13-20

(Semi-continuous Series) Exodus 1:8-2:10 • Psalm 124

WORSHIP LESSON FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD

We continue our summer focus on the semi-continuous series highlighting lessons in the Books of Genesis and Exodus. For the 12th Sunday after Pentecost the lesson is Pharaoh's daughter taking Moses as her son (Exodus 1:8-2:10).

For the personal health, safety and well-being of you and others gathering, the Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran is adhering to New York State Department of Health's "Interim COVID-19 Guidance for Religious and Funeral Services and Operations of Faith-Based Institutions." Below are some highlights:

SCREENING AND TESTING: In order to participate in today's worship, you must be able to answer "no" to the following questions:

- Have you tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
- Do you have any of the following symptoms?
 - Fever above 100.4F
 - Persistent dry cough
 - Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
 - Chills or repeated shaking with chills
 - New loss of taste of sense of smell
 - Flu-like muscle pain, sore throat, and headaches
- In the last 14 days, have you been in close or proximate contact with any individuals suffering from COVID-like symptoms?

TRACING AND TRACKING: As you enter, your attendance will be noted so that you may be alerted should it become known you have come into close or proximate contact with a person with COVID-19.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING, PROTECTIVE GEAR, PROPER HYGENE: All gathered in the assembly are required to observe six-feet social-distancing etiquette, and wear face coverings always. Washing of hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer must be observed. There should be no physical contact with others.

GATHERING SPACES: For drive-in worship, you are encouraged to remain in your vehicles, and if possible, all vehicles should park in alternate spaces. Should you wish to sit in a lawn area, you are permitted to bring your own personal chairs, but above guidelines must be observed. For indoor worship, 25% capacity is permitted (60 people), and you will be asked to sit in alternate pews, where bulletins will be placed. Families may sit together.