

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!



Service of the Word
14th Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 2020 • 10:00 AM

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**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.

# **14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost • September 6, 2020 at 10:00 AM**

*Liturgical Color, Revised Common Lectionary – Green*

The Reverend Robert Cederstrom, 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, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation. Amen.

*Presider:* Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

*Assistant:* Faithful God, have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Presider:* God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of ✙ Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world. Amen.

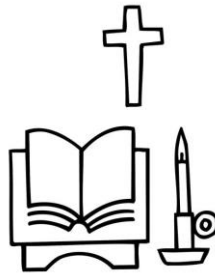


## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Presider:* Let us pray.

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



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

### **LESSON: *Exodus 12:1-14***

*Israel remembered its deliverance from slavery in Egypt by celebrating the festival of Passover. This festival featured the Passover lamb, whose blood was used as a sign to protect God's people from the threat of death. The early church described the Lord's supper using imagery from the Passover, especially in portraying Jesus as the lamb who delivers God's people from sin and death.*

*Assistant:* A reading from the Book of Exodus:

*Assistant:* <sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: <sup>2</sup>This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. <sup>3</sup>Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. <sup>4</sup>If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. <sup>5</sup>Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. <sup>6</sup>You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. <sup>7</sup>They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. <sup>8</sup>They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. <sup>9</sup>Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. <sup>10</sup>You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. <sup>11</sup>This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. <sup>12</sup>For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup>The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

<sup>14</sup>This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

*Lector:* This is the word of the Lord.

## **SERMON**

## **SOLO OF THE DAY: *My Lord, What a Morning Spiritual***

Kelli Shahinian, Mezzo Soprano

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Assistant:* Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

*Assistant:* Unite your church, O God. Grant us the gifts of repentance and reconciliation. Bless the cooperative work of churches in this community. Strengthen ecumenical partnerships; guide the work of the Lutheran World Federation and the World Council of Churches. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Assistant:* Protect your creation, O God. Teach us ways that do not harm what you have entrusted to our care. Renew and enliven places suffering from drought, flood, storms, or pollution. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Assistant:* Turn nations and leaders from ways that lead to death. Shape new paths toward peace and cooperation, teaching us to recognize one another as neighbors. Guide legislators, civil servants, judges, and police toward laws that protect the well-being of all. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Assistant:* Tend to all in need of your compassion. Hear the cries of those awaiting justice and those yearning for forgiveness. Give community to the lonely and neighbors to the outcast. Shelter all who are vulnerable in body, mind, or spirit, especially Craig, Hilda, Gisela, Jeanne, Irma, Christa, Belle, Jean, Angele, Joyce, John, Tom, Lisa, Virginia, Bud, Richard, Linda, and those whom we name in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Assistant:* Sustain us in our desire to properly offer our thanks to you for all the joys of life. Bless all who are celebrate special occasions, especially the birthdays of Pattie, Bill, Caroline, Laura, Jeff, Amy, Sebastian, Klaus, Stephen and Sara, and the wedding anniversaries of Lori & Larry, and Karin & Dennis. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Assistant:* We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in faith, especially Bill, John, Emma Jean and Curt. As you equipped them, equip us with your protection and power, until with them we see your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Presider:* All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through 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 30<sup>TH</sup>**

**Ministers:** People of the Church of Our Saviour, Lutheran

**Assisting Minister:** Jeanine Levitan

**Worship Attendants:** Antonio Centeno, Valerie Gavora, Laurie Herbert, Tim Keenan, Gil McNally, Kathy McNally, Rosa Morakis, John Merseburg, Dan Nigro, Lynn Nigro and Bobby Stainkamp

## **WELCOME REV. ROBERT CEDERSTROM, SR.**

We are blessed to have Pastor Bob Cederstrom join us today to preside at our liturgy. In addition to serving as the pastor of Christ Lutheran Church in New Hyde Park, he serves as our dean of the Western Nassau Conference of the Metropolitan New York Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA). Pastor Marc Herbst is away to officiate the funeral of his cousin Bill Herbst.

### **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, Gisela Feige, Jeanne Geib, Irma Grunewald, Christa Horn, Belle Lewis, Jean Millington (mother of Debbie Capilupi), Angele Moomjy and Joyce Morin

**HOSPITALIZATION/ILLNESS/MEDICAL CARE:** John Davis (friend of Jim Meredith, Rev. Tom Hammond, Lisa Keenan, Virginia Marshall, Bud McHale (friend of Kathy McNally), Richard Peterson, and Linda Ziccardi (friend of Kathy McNally)

**GRIEF:** Family and friends of Bill Herbst (cousin of Pastor Marc Herbst), John Kantlis (friend of Meredith Family), Emma Jean Harless (friend of Meredith Family), and Curt Meyhoefer (cousin of Jeanine Levitan)



## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING — 9/6 through 9/12

**BIRTHDAYS:** Pattie Anderson, Bill Miller – 9/6, Caroline Azzara – 9/7, Laura Weigand – 9/8, Jeff Carstens – 9/9, Amy Freund, Sebastian Newhall – 9/11, Klaus Kiess, Stephen Von Czerniewicz, and Sara Keenan – 9/12

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Lori & Larry Quinn – 9/6, and Karin & Dennis Reiner – 9/12

## JULY YTD FINANCIALS

Income: \$168,998

Expenses: \$185,118

Deficit: \$16,120

## AUGUST OUTDOOR WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> – 38 cars, 58 people, 1 canine!

Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 43 cars, 59 people, 1 canine!

Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> – 37 people (indoors)

Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – 42 cars, 65 people, 3 canines!

Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 38 cars, 59 people, 2 canines!

**PLUS ONE:** Thank you for your faithfulness! While the pandemic precautions have moved our worship outdoors this summer season, our average worship attendance during July and August is greater in comparison to last year. Last year's summer Sunday worship averaged 53 people, compared to 54 people this year. Plus, this year our ministry even went to the dogs!

**KNITWITS KNITTING ON TUESDAYS:** Adhering to the COVID-19 safety requirements for gathering, the Knitwits have resumed their weekly 10:00 AM Tuesday gatherings in the Parlor.

**ZOOM BIBLE STUDY RESUMES SEPT. 16<sup>TH</sup>:** The Western Nassau Conference of the Metropolitan New York Synod will resume its weekly Zoom Bible study sessions on Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. These sessions, held for one hour every Wednesday beginning at 11:00 AM, are led by Pastor John Jurik. Each week the upcoming Sunday lectionary readings are discussed. Since each week is different, everyone should be comfortable joining any week they are available. All are welcome! For September and October, please access using the following log in information:

<https://zoom.us/j/91679186704?pwd=KzJaUENyQ0ZTUE1vakl3Qk4rTFIpbQT09>

The password is: 367714

**FEEDING THE FLOCK:** Please continue bringing your gifts of non-perishable foods and bottled water each week to worship. Your generosity is helping keep the shelves stock at the Lutheran Social Services of New York's NEW LIFE Center food pantry in Uniondale. Thank you for your kind support for those in need.

**FOLLOW ON FACEBOOK:** Please "like" us on Facebook! We encourage you to follow us and receive the most recent information about the ministry at our congregation. The many posts will keep you up to date. If you happen to miss worship, you will be able to sustain your faithfulness through our posted hymns, sermons, and other messages. [www.facebook.com/manhassetlutheran](http://www.facebook.com/manhassetlutheran)

**ONLINE GIVING:** We have reinstated electronic giving for either one-time or sustained offerings. Please visit our website at [www.manhassetlutheran.org](http://www.manhassetlutheran.org) and click the "giving" tab on the right end of the top bar for further instructions. It's easy and convenient!

**TASK FORCE REPORTING DEADLINE EXTENDED:** The task forces for Communications, Financial Controls and Governance may submit their respective reports to the Congregation Council up to **November 1<sup>st</sup>**.



## **REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2020**

### Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>

Ezekiel 33:7-11 • Psalm 119:33-40 • Romans 13:8-14 • Matthew 18:15-20  
(Semi-continuous Series) Exodus 12:1-14 • Psalm 149

### Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

Leviticus 4:27-31; 5:14-16 • 1 Peter 2:11-17 • Psalm 119:65-72

### Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>

Deuteronomy 17:2-13 • Romans 13:1-7 • Psalm 119:65-72

### Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>

Leviticus 16:1-5, 20-28 • Matthew 21:18-22 • Psalm 119:65-72

### Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

Genesis 37:12-36 • 1 John 3:11-16 • Psalm 103:1-13

### Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

Genesis 41:53-42:17 • Acts 7:9-16 • Psalm 103:1-13

### Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>

Genesis 45:1-20 • Matthew 6:7-15 • Psalm 103:1-13

### Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

Genesis 50:15-21 • Psalm 103:1-13 • Romans 14:1-12 • Matthew 18:21-35  
(Semi-continuous Series) Exodus 14:19-31 • Psalm 114

## **WORSHIP LESSON FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**

We continue our summer focus on the semi-continuous series highlighting lessons in the Books of Genesis and Exodus. For the 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost the lesson is Israel's deliverance at the Red Sea. (Exodus 14:19-31).

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 or 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-foot 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.