

*Nineteenth Weekend  
after Pentecost*

*Saturday, September 29, 2018—5 p.m.*



*Our Savior's Lutheran Church*

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*Someone is casting out demons in Jesus' name who isn't part of Jesus' own circle, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus' word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn't do it, by people we can't keep tabs on.*

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the ✝ holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Source of all life, **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, ✝ God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN – *Spirit of Gentleness (WOV #684)*

**Refrain**

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

1) You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing:  
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." **Refrain**

2) You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;

and when they were blinded with idols and lies,  
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. **Refrain**

3) You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. **Refrain**

4) You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.  
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;  
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions your people arise. **Refrain**

#### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. . . **C: God of love, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them; keep us from those things that harm us; and guide us in the way of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

#### BIBLE READING-Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

<sup>4</sup>The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup>We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; <sup>6</sup>but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.” [ <sup>10</sup>Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. <sup>11</sup>So Moses said to the LORD, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? <sup>12</sup>Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors’? <sup>13</sup>Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ <sup>14</sup>I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup>If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.” <sup>16</sup>So the LORD said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.”] [ <sup>24</sup>So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. <sup>26</sup>Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the

spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup> And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” <sup>28</sup> And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” <sup>29</sup> But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD’s people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!”]

Psalm 19:7-14

<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.  
<sup>8</sup>**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**  
<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.  
<sup>10</sup>**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**  
<sup>11</sup>By them also is your servant enlightened,  
and in keeping them there is great reward.  
<sup>12</sup>**Who can tell how often he offends?  
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**  
<sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get  
dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great  
offense.  
<sup>14</sup>**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be accepta-  
ble in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

Bible Reading -James 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup>Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup>Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup>The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup>Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup>Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. <sup>19</sup>My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, <sup>20</sup>you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner’s soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION-*Listen, God Is Calling (WOV #712)*

Listen, listen, God is calling through the Word inviting,  
Offering forgiveness, comfort and joy. **2X**

## GOSPEL READING – Mark 9:38-50

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 7th chapter.

### **Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)**

<sup>38</sup>John said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” <sup>39</sup>But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup>Whoever is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup>For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. <sup>42</sup>“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup>If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup>And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup>And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup>where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. <sup>49</sup>“For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup>Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)**

MESSAGE– PASTOR CYNTHIA HOPP

HYMN OF DAY-*Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak (LBW #403)*

1) Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone;  
as you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.

2) Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;  
oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.

3) Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart;  
and wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

4) Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts o'erflow  
in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

APOSTLES' CREED - *page 85 LBW*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is**

seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.**

OFFERING & NOISY CAN

OFFERTORY-OFFERTORY-*Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (WOV #612)*

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

LORD'S PRAYER (*page 97 LBW*)

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

BLESSING –God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being; Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead; Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church; Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

CLOSING HYMN-*My Faith Looks Up to Thee (LBW #479)*

1) My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray,  
take all my guilt away, oh, let me from this day be wholly thine!

2) May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart,  
my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me,  
oh, may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

3) While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread,

be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day,  
wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

4) When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream  
shall o'er me roll; blest Savior, then, in love  
fear and distrust remove; oh, bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord and your neighbors.

**Thanks be to God.**

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### PRAYER LIST FOR THE WEEK

Cynthia Boersma, Ruth Ann Garloff, Loy Ann Nasby,  
Fran Muir, Jacob Dykstra, D.E. Jones,  
Dean Anderson, Jim Konda, Sheryl Skare, Carol Scott,  
Jamison Nestegard, Alice Michelson, Karen Grunst,  
Steven Hansen, Richard Muir



## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUN. 9-30: **9 am Praise Worship** (Broadcast on KKOJ), 10:10 am Adult Class

MON. 10-1: 9 am Workshop, 6 pm Ministry Teams, 7 pm Council Meeting

TUES. 10-2: 8 am Small Group, 9 am Staff Meeting

WED. 10-3: 6:30 a.m. Men's Study, 1:30 pm Release, 2:45 pm Confirmation, 6:15 pm Hand Bells, 6:15 K.I.C.K., 7 pm PRAISE! Choir, 7:30 pm NINJA, 8 pm Praise Band

THURS. 10-4:

FRI. 10-5: 2:00 pm Pines Study Group

SAT. 10-6: **5 pm Holy Communion Worship**

SUN. 10-7: **9 am Holy Communion Worship** (Broadcast on KKOJ), 10:10 am Adult Study, MS/HS Sunday Study

### Current Fund Update (as of 8-31-18)

Bank Balance 1-1-18	(\$4,354.38)
YTD Income	+\$202,973.63
YTD Expense	<u>-\$259,489.49</u>
Bank Balance 8-31-18	(\$60,870.24)

### Missionary Sponsorship Update (as of 8-31-18)

Budget	\$12,000.00
YTD Income	<u>\$ 8,290.52</u>
Amount Needed	\$ 3,709.48



## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

*A wheelchair is available— Just ask an usher to help you*

**WE EXTEND** our sympathy to the family and friends of DeLorris Quiring who passed away on September 21st. Service will be held at American Lutheran Church in Windom, MN at 11:00 am on Monday, October 1st. Visitation 1 hour before service.

Back by Popular Demand-**Sunday Night Bonfire Fellowship** (gathering thru October weather permitting) In the Church Courtyard-**Sunday, September 30th** at 6:30 pm. Bring a lawn chair and come share a s'more!!!

**Bethany Lutheran WELCA** near Bergen on **Saturday, October 6** from 10 am to 1 pm. Again we will have Norwegian goodie, baked goods, quilt and crafts, farm produce and turkey and barbecue sandwiches with homemade pie for our noon luncheon.

### **Jackson County Libraries 2018 Fall Programs:**

**October, 3**—Jackson at 11 am, Lakefield at 2 pm, Heron Lake at 6 pm  
Therapy Dogs—Linda Clarksean & Pam Pronk

**For more information on the programs, please see the bulletin board.**

**New Member Classes**— There will be two classes offered **Sunday, November 4th and 11th** at 10:15 in the church office (in the education building) If you or if you know someone who would be interested in attending these classes, please contact the church office. These classes are for those new to the community or new to Our Savior's.

**Panama Mission Trip**— There are 9 people from Our Savior's joining the Bethlehem Lutheran Group going to LaHuaca, Panama from February 2-9, 2019. Dave & Lisa Ringkob, Wayne Christopher, Jessica Jandera, Holli & Kayla Arp, Dee Nestegard and her daughter and granddaughter. We each pay our own way but are raising funds to purchase playground equipment (which they only have what Bethlehem has purchased) and Vacation Bible school supplies. Each family made a basket to raffle valued between \$25-\$50. Tickets are available to purchase until October 14th. Winner need not be present. They will be drawn on October 14th at our Panamanian Fundraiser Meal at Bethlehem. Tickets for meal \$10 are available Sunday mornings and in the office. Meal: Bistec (sliced beef), Holjaldre (fried bread) and ice cream

**Collecting Sunshine Foods grocery receipts** for Panama Mission Trip. Sunshine Foods will give OSLC 1% back from receipts. Ice cream pail container in Narthex for collection. Will be collecting until January 31, 2019.

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>5 pm</u>	<u>9 am</u>
<i>Acolytes:</i>	Victoria Beaver	Megan Benson & Brittany Arduser
<i>Lectors:</i>	Marcia Johnson	Dave/Ruth Hansen
<i>Ushers:</i>	Van Johnson	Dave Hansen
<i>Radio:</i>		Sharon Anderson
<i>Greeter:</i>	Marilyn Matejka	Dennis & Michelle Bratrud

## MISSION STATEMENT

We come to meet Jesus, and we want other people to meet Him too.

**MINISTERS:** All Members of the Congregation

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*PASTOR: Rev. Cynthia Hopp – 507-382-6860*

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**SOUND SYSTEM OPERATOR:** *Dave Metli*

**PROJECTIONIST:** *5-Jean Pike; 9-Ted Dose*

