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Welcome to

Gethsemane Lutheran Church

WELCOME EVERYONE! A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We welcome you! We are glad that we are here to worship the Lord together and thank God for your presence. We pray that you feel at home and welcomed. Please ask for a Welcome Bag from the Ushers. Also remember Gethsemane is a kid friendly place where we enjoy the noises and ways children experience worship in their own ways. As a parent we hope this makes you feel comfortable.



Visitors, please take a minute to scan the QR code above to learn more about Gethsemane Lutheran and fill out the Visitor Contact Form.

Our Mission Statement

To Spread God's Life Changing Message, ♦ We will Keep God's Word ♦ Reflect God's Love ♦ Preserve God's World ♦ Share God's Bounty ♦ Do God's Work

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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

WELCOME/GREETING

PRELUDE "At the River" Traditional; arranged by Aaron Copland; arranged for violin, cello, and piano by JoAnn Haasler JoAnn Haasler, violin Erik Haasler, cello

Please rise as you are comfortable

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather today to remember those whom have gone before us; those we have loved in this life and who continue to have a place deep within our hearts.

We thank you loving Lord for those who graced our lives with memories of love.

We gather today, some with hearts still grieving.

Mend our broken hearts, Lord, with your grace and peace.

We gather today in the hope of the promise we have in you, knowing that our loved ones are held in your precious arms as we await the feast that is to come.

Refresh our spirits, O Lord, as we center ourselves now in Your presence.

During the gathering hymn, you are invited to bring pictures of your loved ones to the altar.

GATHERING HYMN: "Shall We Gather at the River" ELW 423

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

- On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray, we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain*
- 3 Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain*
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Led by Assistant Minister: Jon Stolz

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

Read by: Jon Stolz

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

Word of God. Word of Life! Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are comfortable

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Praise God's Name" by Michael Joncas

ALL SING TWICE:



Verse (sung by the choir):

You servants of the Lord, bless the Lord:
Blessed be His name forever!
From east to west praised be the name of the Lord our God!

(Repeat Alleluia twice)

A READING FROM: Luke 6:20-31

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Please feel free to close your eyes and experience the word of God

Word of God. Word of Life!

Thanks be to God.

All children who would like to join in the children's message, please make your way to the front of the church

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE Pastor Perrie

REMEMBERANCE OF THE SAINTS

In the past year, our faith community has celebrated the lives of seven saints who have gone before us. During this time, a family member or friend will come forward to light a candle in remembrance of this beloved one. A bell will toll to commemorate their life.

- Jerry Wenzler
- Tom Douglas
- Jill Wormley-Washburn
- Jane Irving
- Jack Workman
- Shirley Klante
- Ron Rebatzke



HYMN OF THE DAY "Death Be Never Last" by Ray Makeever JoAnn Haasler, violin Erik Hassler, cello



Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: DEATH BE NEVER LAST, Ray Makeever

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Please rise as you are comfortable

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As you feel called by the Spirit, take your stone and lay your burdens at the foot of the cross.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

Please be seated

MISSION MOMENT

OFFERING

As we have been so abundantly blessed by an ever loving God, please consider an offering to further God's mission in the world through Gethsemane and our ministries. Our offerings of time, talent and treasure are our response to God's gifts to us of freedom and life! Offering plates are located in the back of the sanctuary or you may also consider giving online.

"Give Thanks" by Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Led by Assistant Minister: Jon Stolz

God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.

Amen.

Please rise as you are comfortable

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sins and heals our lives.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of a loving God and of one another. (silence for reflection)

Have mercy, O God,

Against you, we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us. Amen.

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as heaven is above the earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ. Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

Blessed be God forever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

With all the saints

of Africa and Asia, Europe and the Americas, India, Australia, and the islands, we praise you, O God, for creating the worlds.

With all the baptized,

the old and young, the weak and the strong, the famous and the forgotten, we bless you, O God, for providing mortals with food.

With all the faithful

in tents and mansions, cities and farms, past and present, we worship you, O God, for sheltering the generations.

With all your holy people

Who minister in the church, who serve the poor, who walk in the way of the cross, we glorify you, O God, for journeying with us in Jesus.

With Paul and evangelists,
we remember the meal of your Son:
On the night before he died, he took bread, and gave thanks,
broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With Peter and all the martyrs, we honor Christ's death, saying Amen.

Amen!

With Mary Magdalene and all the apostles, we proclaim his resurrection, shouting Amen.

Amen!

With John, the theologians, and the mystics, we celebrate Christ present with us, exclaiming Amen.

Amen!

With the Virgin Mary and all who sang of your greatness, we pray for the power of the Spirit.

Imbue this gathering, this bread and this cup, with the merciful body and blood of Christ

Form us into a communion of service, and infuse your earth with the wholeness we seek.

With grandparents and godparents,
With the Orthodox, Roman Catholics, Protestants, Pentecostals, Evangelicals,
and independents,
and with all who
lead us to a future we cannot yet see,
and at the end draw all humanity to yourself.

Now with all of the family you saved by your love,

we shout blessing: Blessing

glory: Glory

wisdom: Wisdom

thanksgiving: Thanksgiving

honor: **Honor** power: **Power** might: **Might**

be to you, our God, forever and ever.

Amen Amen

Praying now in the language of your heart, we pray as children of God:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Please be seated

Invitation to the table

Please come up the center aisle for communion and return to your seat using the side aisles. Come, eat and drink - All are welcome to the table!

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"Jerusalem My Happy Home" Traditional Hymn; arranged by Tony Alonso **Gethsemane Choir** JoAnn Haasler, violin Erik Hassler, cello

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

COMMUNION PRAYER

Led by Assistant Minister: Jon Stolz

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

Amen.

BLESSING

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you + and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please rise as you are comfortable

CLOSING HYMN "For All the Saints" ELW 422

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

DISMISSAL

Led by Assistant Minister: Jon Stolz

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Many thanks to the wonderful string players who made today's worship extra special: Guest violinist JoAnn Haasler and cellist Erik Hassler.