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Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 2, 2021
Worship 9:00 am

OPENING HYMN * *Chief of Sinners Though I Be* ELW #609
Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me,
died that I might live on high, Lived that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine, I am his and he is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love! Higher than the heav'ns above,
deeper than the depths of sea, lasting as eternity.
Love that found me - wondrous thought - found me when I sought him
not.

Only Jesus can impart balm to heal the wounded heart,
peace that flows from sin forgiv'n, joy that lifts the soul to heav'n;
faith and hope to walk with God in the way that Enoch trod.

Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me;
all my wants to him are known, all my sorrows are his own.
He sustains the hidden life safe with him from earthly strife.

O my Savior, help afford by Your Spirit and your word!
When my wayward heart would stray, keep me in the narrow way;
grace in time of need supply while I live and when I die.

HYMN OF THE DAY * *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* ELW #836
Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

CLOSING HYMN * *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* ELW #631
Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to
earth come down! Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy
faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with
thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit into every
troubled breast; let us all in thee inherit; let us
find thy promised rest. Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as
its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy
life receive; suddenly return, and never, never-
more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee
without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless
let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly
restored in thee! Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our
crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Help us keep an updated prayer list. If you have placed an individual on our prayer list, please remember to notify the office when that individual can be removed. Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Marion Tosheff, Annabelle Paul, Jim Simmons, Leroy MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's father), Dawne Veet, Andrew (friend of Pastor Joel), Mary Baker (Pastor Joel's mother-in-law), Lisa (Dawne Veets' family member), Robyn, Evelyn, and their family (friends of the Zimmermans), Robin Ellerman (Wendy Snyder's sister), Ed Digon (Malane's husband), Diane Trullinger (friend of Marcia Schreffler), Cheryl Digon (Ed & Malane Digon's daughter-in-law), Kelly Utter, Gertrude Gassner (friend of Merle Beachell), Julianna Stoner (friend of Eva Kunz), Kathy Dare, Bob Sheetz (Bill's brother), Makwan Sayed (friend of the Flemings), Christy Silvers (friend of Nedda Pollock), Helen Kester (friend of Malane Digon), Veronika Lenker (friend of the Flemings), Corine Harold (friend of Kathy Dare), Joe Newman (friend of Kathy Dare), Betty Giovaninello (friend of Linda Schreier), Sondra Andrews (Bob & Jean Lisse's daughter), Connie Johnson, Barbara Hammell (Betty's daughter), Vernel Brown (friend of the Flemings), Bishop Dunlop.

Pray for missionaries, especially Tonya Starner in Mongolia.

Pray for our military, especially Ian Bowling, Jason Nunez, Noel Sanchez & George Schreffler, III .

Pray for our shut-ins, especially Shirley Kaltreider, Irene Nanov, Miriam Reinard, Ellavene Rutter, Alta Shadel, George Sheleman, Tom & Wendy Snyder.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, a caring congregation dedicated to the word of Christ welcomes all people to worship and grow with us as we share His love and salvation with our neighbors, our children and ourselves.

***We again welcome back Mitchell Sensenig
this morning and thank him for providing our music.***

We also thank John Zimmerman for being our reader this morning.

Manna Food Pantry – Our “2nd Sunday” food collection is still ongoing. During the winter, and during this time of the pandemic food pantries are seeing a greater demand of their services. If you would like to make a donation you may bring your items into the church & place them on the table in the Narthex at any time. If you are not comfortable with coming into the church building we would be happy to offer "curbside drop-off" during regular office hours. Pastor Joel & Barb are keeping their regular hours. Just let us know & will be happy to come out & get your donation from you. Thank you.

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Updating Our Prayer List

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