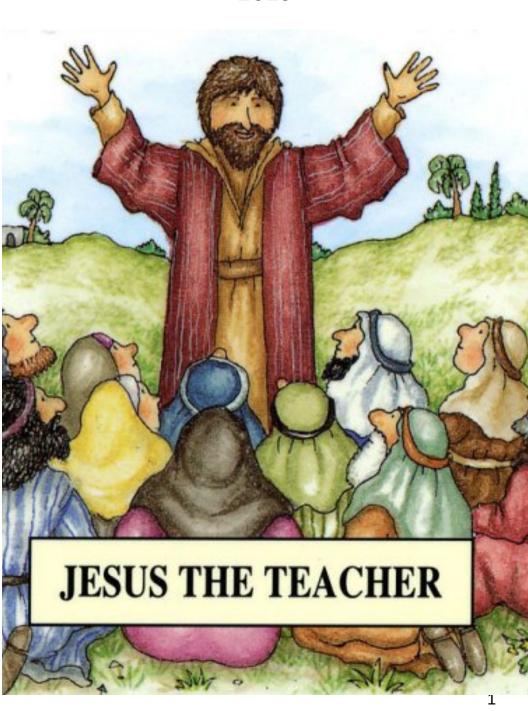
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WELCOME!

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Prelude "What a Friend" Jackie Oakes

Welcome

Opening Hymn "God is Here!" #719 Blue Hymnal V1 &4

Prayers of the People

Prayer of the Day

All: Most holy God, the earth is filled with Your glory, and before You angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see Your power at work in the world, and by Your grace make us heralds of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music Calypso on "He Leadeth Me" Praise Ringers
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Reading Mark 4:1-34

Again he began to teach beside the lake. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the lake and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the lake on the land. He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil.

'And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.' And he said, 'Let anyone with ears to hear listen!'

The Purpose of the Parables

When he was alone, those who were around him along with the twelve asked him about the parables. And he said to them, 'To you has been given the secret of the kingdom of God, but for those outside, everything comes in parables; in order that "they may indeed look, but not perceive, and may indeed listen, but not understand; so that they may not turn again and be forgiven."'

And he said to them, 'Do you not understand this parable? Then how will you understand all the parables? The sower sows the word. These are the ones on the path where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: when they hear the word, they immediately receive it with joy. But they have no root, and endure only for a while; then, when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. And others are those sown among the thorns: these are the ones who hear the word, but the cares of the world, and the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things come in and choke the word, and it yields nothing.

And these are the ones sown on the good soil: they hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.'

A Lamp under a Bushel Basket

He said to them, 'Is a lamp brought in to be put under the bushel basket, or under the bed, and not on the lampstand? For there is nothing hidden, except to be disclosed; nor is anything secret, except to come to light. Let anyone with ears to hear listen!' And he said to them, 'Pay attention to what you hear; the measure you give will be the measure you get, and still more will be given you. For to those who have, more will be given; and from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.'

The Parable of the Growing Seed

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

The Use of Parables

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Pastor Casey

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

"What Feast of Love" #701 Blue Hymnal

Apostles Creed

I believe in God. the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ. God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died. and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand Of the Father And He will come 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

Sharing the Peace

If you do not wish to shake hands, simply share a peace sign!



Offering "Jesus Paid it All, All to Him I Owe" Jackie Oakes

Offering Prayer

Words of Institution

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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Communion



Distribution Music

Benediction

Closing Hymn "You are the Seed" #753 Blue Hymnal

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude "I Need Thee Every Hour" Jackie Oakes



Serving in Worship 2/9/2025

Usher: Linda and Steve Westlie

> Greeter: Marlene Goetz

Communion Assistant: Lori Zeller

> Reader: Scott Dettmann

Reader * Communion Usher * Greeter



Anyone interested in helping or willing to learn more about what's involved should see or contact
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Happenings at Our Saviors! 2025

February 2 - Congregational Meeting/Timeline of Events

February 8- Moose Breakfast - Invite your Valentine

February 9 - Building Blocks Redevelopment - Failure

February 23- Building Blocks Redevelopment - Hospitality

March 5 - Ash Wednesday

March 3- Congregational Meeting-Budget

Dates are subject to change

March 16th - Loaves and Fishes





Meed to meet with Pastor Casey?

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Have a guestion or announcement?

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Meed to contact Leadership Team?



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Please Keep Our Savior's Lutheran Church's Mission Exploration Team in Your Prayers

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Trust in the Lord

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Installation of Mission Exploration Team

PC: You have been called to help this congregation examine itself and prepare for God's preferred future. Will you pray for Our Savior's and the people that make up this church? Will you be faithful and diligent, curious and not judgemental, quick to forgive, and slow to anger?

MT: We will and we ask God to help and guide us.

PC: Congregation, will you give this team your support and trust, keeping them and their work in prayer.

C: We will. And we ask God to help and guide us.

PC: Let us pray.

All: Dear God. Guide us through this time of transition. Help us to see your purpose in each of our lives and in the life of Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Let us be slow to anger and quick to offer help. Give us your heart for our community and for all those who need to hear a message of love. Let adversity draw us closer together and heal old wounds. Give us a spirit of curiosity and adventure. Fill us with joy and blanket us with your peace. Give us resolve and hope as we wonder what our future might look like. heal our brokenness and let us be healers in this broken world. We pray these things in Jesus' name.