

# Blessed Savior Lutheran Church Florissant, Missouri



*“Empowered by God’s Holy Word,  
we joyfully share the love of Jesus with all people;  
through worship, teaching, fellowship,  
service and witnessing.”*

*Twenty-second Sunday after  
Pentecost  
November 13, 2011*

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

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The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost  
Saturday, November 12 and Sunday, November 13, 2011

**WE WELCOME YOU** to our worship service this morning. We pray God’s rich blessings upon you as you hear His Word and praise His holy name. We ask our members and visitors to please use the friendship pad found on the pew. Kindly hand the friendship pad to the person sitting next to you. The Ushers will collect them after the service. Thank You.

**THIS WORSHIP FOLDER / CHURCH BULLETIN** is prepared for your convenience and contains the entire order of worship with all spoken and sung responses. However, if you are more comfortable using the hymnal, you may use the order of worship found in the front pages of Lutheran Service Book where all the melodies are shown for the sung responses of the congregation.

***Divine Service 2*** *p. 167*

***Greeting of Peace*** The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “Peace be with you,” as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

***Opening Hymn “How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord”*** #853

*Stand*

**Confession and Absolution** *p. 167*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**



I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that | you have done;\*

**I ponder the work | of your hands.**

I stretch out my | hands to you;\*

**my soul thirsts for you like a | parched land.**

Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God!\*

**Let your good Spirit lead me on | level ground!**

For your name's sake, O LORD, pre- | serve my life!\*

**In your righteousness bring my soul out of | trouble!**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son**

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for | mercy!\*

**In your faithfulness answer me, in your | righteousness!**

### *Kyrie*

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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

### *Hymn of Praise* **“Gloria in Excelsis”**

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A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

- C **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:  
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise  
You for Your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord  
God, Lamb of God:  
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on  
us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.  
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the  
Lord.  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the  
Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Salutation and Collect of the Day*

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P The Lord be with you.

C  **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

- C **Almighty and ever-living God, You have given  
exceedingly great and precious promises to those  
who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of  
darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your  
Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be  
found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our  
Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Sit*

*Old Testament Reading*

*Zephaniah 1:7-16*

<sup>7</sup>Be silent before the Lord GOD!

For the day of the LORD is near;  
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice  
and consecrated his guests.

<sup>8</sup>And on the day of the LORD's sacrifice—

“I will punish the officials and the king's sons  
and all who array themselves in foreign attire.

<sup>9</sup>On that day I will punish

everyone who leaps over the threshold,  
and those who fill their master's house  
with violence and fraud.

<sup>10</sup>“On that day,” declares the LORD,  
“a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate,  
a wail from the Second Quarter,  
a loud crash from the hills.

<sup>11</sup>Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar!  
For all the traders are no more;  
all who weigh out silver are cut off.

<sup>12</sup>At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,  
and I will punish the men  
who are complacent,  
those who say in their hearts,  
‘The LORD will not do good,  
nor will he do ill.’

<sup>13</sup>Their goods shall be plundered,  
and their houses laid waste.  
Though they build houses,  
they shall not inhabit them;  
though they plant vineyards,  
they shall not drink wine from them.”

<sup>14</sup>The great day of the LORD is near,  
near and hastening fast;  
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter;  
the mighty man cries aloud there.

<sup>15</sup>A day of wrath is that day,  
a day of distress and anguish,  
a day of ruin and devastation,  
a day of darkness and gloom,  
a day of clouds and thick darkness,

<sup>16</sup> a day of trumpet blast and battle cry  
against the fortified cities  
and against the lofty battlements.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

Rev. 7:14b; Ps. 84:5

**C These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

## Epistle

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup>For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. <sup>7</sup>For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Stand

*Alleluia and Verse* 🎵

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**C Alleluia.  
Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel


Matthew 25:14-30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C  **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>Jesus said: "It will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup>To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. <sup>17</sup>So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. <sup>18</sup>But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup>Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>22</sup>And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' <sup>24</sup>He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' <sup>26</sup>But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C  **Praise to You, O Christ.**



- **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living  
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

*Sit*

*Mite Box Sunday*

*Children's Message*

*Sermon Hymn*

*"We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God" #941*

*Sermon*

*Offering*

*Stand*

*Offertory* 

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- **What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits  
to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and  
will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup  
of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I  
will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence  
of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

## *Prayer of the Church*

*After each petition of the prayers:*

P Lord, in Your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

*After the final petition:*

P Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

## *Lord's Prayer*

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P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C 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.**

## *Benediction*

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P 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.

**C  Amen.**

## *Closing Hymn "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"*

*#660*

*Sit*

# Announcements

After the announcements, please stand for the closing Doxology

## Doxology

#805

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## Go and Serve the Lord

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The Preacher	Vicar Eric Ekong
The Liturgist:	Sem. Christopher Griffith
The Organist & Dir. Of Music:	Mr. Kenneth Butherus
Greeters:	E- Dale & Eileen Montonye & L- Walter & Audrey Lang
Elder Greeters:	Saturday: Brian McKenna E- Ray Ehrhard & L- Dennis Henneman
	Acolytes: Sunday 8:00 am: Maria Koop Sunday 10:30 am: Hannah Ekong
Christian Education:	Sunday 9:15 a.m. Adults, Young Adults, Youth, and Sunday School Wednesday morning Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

**Altar flowers** - Are placed by Don Young in celebration of Doris Hewkin’s birthday and in memory of Ernest Young.



**Adorn the Church** - 20 Poinsettias have been reserved from the greenhouse. If you would like to order a Poinsettia, please pick up an order form located in fellowship hall. **Orders will be taken from Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**Lutheran High School Association - Fantasy Faire Dinner Auction - November 19, 2011:** Doubletree Hotel – Westport, 1973 Craigshire Rd., St. Louis, MO 63146. Includes open bar, three course meal, silent and oral auctions. The cost is \$85 per person/\$850 per table. For more information contact: Cheryl Ehrhard at 314-382-6664, ext 323.

**BLESSED SAVIOR'S CALENDAR**  
**November 13 – November 20, 2011**

**TODAY:** 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. **Worship Services**  
**Sunday** 9:15 a.m. **Sunday School & Bible Classes**  
**Mite Box** 9:15 a.m. **Youth Confirmation Classes**  
**Nov. 13** *Last day to turn in food for seminary baskets*

**MONDAY:** Winkel – Vicar Ekong  
**Nov. 14**

**TUESDAY:** 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal  
**Nov. 15**

**WEDNESDAY:** 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
**Nov. 16** 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study (McKenna)

**THURSDAY** 6:45 p.m. All Board Devotion- ***please note date change***  
7:00 p.m. All Board Meetings  
**Nov. 17** 8:00 p.m. Bd. Of Directors

**FRIDAY:** Pastor & Vicar Day with family  
**Nov. 18**

**SATURDAY:** 7:00 a.m. MOBS Bible Study @ Denny's  
**Nov. 19** 6:00 p.m. **Worship Service with Holy Communion**

**NEXT** 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. **Worship Services**  
**SUNDAY** with Holy Communion  
9:15 a.m. **Sunday School & Bible Classes**  
**Nov. 20** 9:15 a.m. **Youth Confirmation Classes**

**Scrip Cards** are a great way to do your Christmas Shopping. You can use them to buy gifts or send them as gifts. Any Questions call Patti Henneman.

## CALLING ALL CHILDREN!



### CHRISTMAS REHEARSALS

*All children ages 0 – youth groups are encouraged to participate.*

Saturday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Dec. 3 (TBD due to Breakfast in Bethlehem)

Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. (possibly lunch break from 12-12:30, and then practice from 12:30 – 1:30).



### **Sunday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> - Performance Day**

**5:30 p.m.** – parents drop off kids and enjoy hors d'oeuvres as kids get ready.

**6:00-7:00 p.m.** – Children's Christmas Service

**7:00 p.m.** – Dinner, dessert and Christmas carols. (We are looking into providing child care, so that the kids can play and be supervised and parents can also enjoy themselves.)

If you should have any questions, please feel free to call Sandy Radford or Becky Daengsurisri.

**Thanksgiving Day Worship Service with Holy Communion**  
**November 24th - 9:00 a.m.** For those who will be traveling for Thanksgiving, have a safe and blessed day.

**November 26<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 a.m. Hanging of the Greens** - Please sign up in fellowship hall for the area you would like to help decorate. Thank You.



**Breakfast in Bethlehem - Sat., Dec. 3rd**

**10 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** If anyone would like to help serve or bring muffins, pastries or breads to the

breakfast, please sign up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall. There is also a sign-up sheet if you plan to attend or would like to help. All ages are invited.



### **REMINDER**

**Voter's Assembly - Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> after late service.**

We will be voting on the church budget and leadership at the December meeting. If you would like to review the church budget, copies are available on the table in fellowship hall. If you cannot attend the meeting, please keep Blessed Savior in your prayers.

**The Prayer:** *Lord Jesus, I pray that You would continue to bless our church with programs and ministries that grow and succeed. I also pray that You would allow us never to lose sight of the source of this sufficiency—You and You alone. Make and keep us humble servants, O Lord. In Jesus name. Amen.*

Nov. 13

22<sup>nd</sup> Sun. after Pentecost

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11:** In this closing chapter of St. Paul's first letter to the Thessalonian Christians and to us we are encouraged to live as faithful stewards of all that God entrusts to us so that we may be self-controlled, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. In other words, all that we do and the way in which we do it gives evidence that the Holy Spirit is alive within us.