

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.”*

*The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2013*

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Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5, 2013

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.

HOLY COMMUNION will be offered during our worship services this week. You are encouraged to prepare for communion by meditating on the Christian Questions and Answers located on pages 329 & 330 in the front of the hymnal.

We rejoice in this celebration of the **LORD'S** Supper as the Lord Jesus indeed comes to us in a very intimate manner, giving to us His true Body & Blood in and with the bread and wine in this sacred meal. St. Paul writes, "*A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.*" (1 Corinthians 11:28-29) It is out of love and care for every individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we ask those who are not instructed in the faith and/or doubt the presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus in this Sacrament to speak to the pastor before attending the Lord's Supper. Members of churches that belong to the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod, believing and confessing as we do, are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper with us. We practice close communion and ask that ALL guests who desire to commune; kindly speak to the Pastor before the service. Please respect our position of love in this matter of pastoral care, BSLC.

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.

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 “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”

#822

Stand

Confession and Absolution

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.**
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit

Ps. 55:4, 16-18; antiphon: Ps. 55:22



Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;*

he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

My heart is in anguish with- | in me;*

the terrors of death have fallen up- | on me.

But I | call to God,*

and the LORD will | save me.

Evening and morning and at noon I utter my com- | plaint
and moan,*

and he | hears my voice.

He redeems my soul in safety from the battle | that I
wage,*

for many are arrayed a- | gainst me.

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.

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sus- | tain you;*

he will never permit the righteous to | be moved.

Kyrie

- P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**

- P 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.**
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise 🎵 **“This Is the Feast”** p. 155

- C **This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign.
Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day p. 156

- P The Lord be with you.
- C 🎵 **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **O God, the Giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Sit

First Reading

Acts 16:9-15

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

adapt. from Matt. 28:7; Heb. 2:7; Ps. 8:6

C **Christ has risen from the dead. God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor, He has given him dominion over the works of his hands; he has put all things under his feet.**

Epistle

Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

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

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

p. 156

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

Holy Gospel

John 16:23-33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

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

²³Jesus said: "In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

²⁹His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God." ³¹Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Nicene Creed

p. 158

C **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came
down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the
virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to
the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both
the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is
worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and
apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of
sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice" #556
Vs. 1-5

Sermon

Responsive Hymn

"Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice" #557
Vs. 6-10

Offering

Stand

Offertory 

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- C **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 One God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament

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Preface 

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus 

p. 161

- C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory,

honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

p. 162

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.**

The Words of Our Lord

p. 162

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: **“Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”**

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: **“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**

Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C  **Amen.**

Agnus Dei

C **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.**

Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymns

“Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”	#680
“Jerusalem, My Happy Home”	#673
“Son of God, Eternal Savior”	#842


Stand

Post-Communion Canticle  **“Thank the Lord”** *p. 164*


- C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Post-Communion Collect

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- A Let us pray.**
- A We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**
- C  Amen.**

Benediction

- 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 “Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won” #490

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 Organist:	Mr. Kenneth Butherus
Greeters:	E – Jan Hawkins & L- Dave McDermott
Elder Greeters:	Saturday: Ed Steinbruegge E- Gary Pohlmann & L- Terry Bossaller
Acolytes:	Sunday 8:00 a.m.: Sunday 10:30a.m.:
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 Joyce Meyer in celebration of her birthday and for God’s many blessings.

Altar Flowers – If you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory/celebration of, or in thanksgiving, etc. the following dates are available: June 9, 16 and 23, July 14 and August 18. Thank you.

Ascension Service, May 9th at 7:00 p.m. – This year, the Ascension Service will be held at Salem Lutheran Church- Black Jack. It is really a wonderful service. Please plan on attending if you can.

BLESSED SAVIOR'S CALENDAR
May 5 – May 12, 2013

TODAY: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. **Worship Services**
Sunday with Holy Communion
Sunday 9:15 a.m. **Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes**
May 5 12:00 p.m. **Voter's Assembly**

MONDAY:
May 6

TUESDAY: 7:00 p.m. **Hand Bells**
May 7

WEDNESDAY: 9:30 a.m. **Adult Bible Study**
May 8 6:30 p.m. **Adult Bible Study (McKenna)**

THURSDAY: **NO 7:00 p.m. Bd. Of Elders- Moved to 16th**
May 9 7:00 p.m. **Ascension Service - Salem**

FRIDAY: Pastor & Vicar - Day with family
May 10

SATURDAY: 7:00 a.m. **MOBS Bible Study @ Denny's**
10:00 a.m. **F. Hall in use (Stocker/Glass)**
May 11 6:00 p.m. **Worship Service**

NEXT 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. **Worship Services**
SUNDAY 9:15 a.m. **Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes**
May 12 **Happy Mother's Day**



“A Light Unto the World” **Matthew 5:14**

Anniversary Announcements – Just a reminder, there will be only the 10:30 a.m. Anniversary Worship Service the weekend of May 18-19. Also, there will be no Sunday School or Bible Class on the 19th.

A sign-up sheet for food and attendance is available in Fellowship Hall. Please let us know by May 12th if you plan to attend. Also, if you are signing up for a main dish, please make enough for your family + a few more people.

We look forward to a very joyous celebration!



Guatemala Needs – There is a list of items in fellowship hall needed for the Guatemala trip. If you are interested in donating any of these items, please have them here by May 12th. Please keep Vicar, Brian McKenna and Ray Ehrhard in your prayers as they prepare to serve in Guatemala.



Blood Drive 2013

Our Blood Drive at Blessed Savior is scheduled for Monday, June 3rd and will run from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. This is your chance to make a difference in the lives of those who need blood due to surgery, accidents, or illness. Did you know that you are never too old to give blood? If you are 16 years of age, you will need parental or legal guardian consent in order to give blood. But if you are 17 years of age or older and pass the pre-donation screening, you are able to donate, no matter how old you are. Sign-up lists for being a donor as well as helping as a volunteer are located in Fellowship Hall.

If you have any questions, please call Debbie Haynes.



We Pray to the Father in Jesus' Name

Acts 16:9–15

Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

John 16:23–33 or John 5:1–9

“In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33). Jesus has opened the way to the Father, so that *“whatever you ask of the Father”* in Jesus’ name, *“he will give it to you”* (John 16:23). We pray, therefore, in the confidence that we will be heard and answered, that our *“joy may be full”* (John 16:24). We pray because the Gospel has been preached to us, and the Lord has opened our hearts to believe the Gospel (Acts 16:10, 14). We pray in the name of Jesus because we have been baptized into Him, as Lydia and her household were baptized (Acts 16:15). We have been healed, and we live and walk and pray in newness of life (John 5:8–9). For we stand upon the firm foundation *“of the twelve apostles of the Lamb”* (Rev. 21:14), and our temple is *“the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb”* (Rev. 21:22).

Thank you - to all of you who came to the prayer studies and the walks and to those who called in their prayers for the prayer service.

May 5

6th Sun. of Easter

Acts 16:14

“The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul.” God must move first – Lydia could not open her own heart, for like all people she was by nature sinful and unclean. But the Lord knocks down barriers and opens hearts – He moves first and blesses Lydia with faith. The same pattern is followed throughout our entire spiritual life. We believe because God opens our hearts; we forgive others because God forgave us; we give generously because God has given to us beyond the bounds of generosity.