# LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

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On this Rally Sunday, a day in which we welcome home friends and neighbors after a summer of travels and activities, we are reminded of why we gather. The grumbling of the religious leaders in today's gospel is actually our holy hope: This Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. He invites us to his table to be nurtured and strengthened and to enjoy his company. As St. Paul reminds Timothy in his first letter to him, The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Thanks be to God.



The Feast in the House of Levi, Paolo Veronese, 1563, oil on canvas

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Inspired by Christ, living and growing in faith, we are a loving and open community of worship, witness, and service in God's world.

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# Gathering ■

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

This morning we welcome the Zuhrah Shrine Dixie Kats to our worship service. While teaching music in the Edina Public School, director Gary Lundgren began conducting the various bands at the Zuhrah Shrine. He has been working with the Dixie Kats since 1976, as well as the band which plays at the Shrine Circus.

**Prelude** 

Welcome

Muskrat Ramble

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Call to Worship For a New School Year

Please stand as you are able.

Calling all children of the Living God: the gospel is good news for every age and every stage.

### Let us worship together, the young and the old.

The good news is proclaimed in God's words, and also with crayons, silly songs, snacks, and rest time.

### Let us worship together, every generation.

We come together with different abilities and disabilities, learning in a rainbow of ways and styles.

### Let us worship together, with our family of faith.

All are welcome in the arms of Christ who proclaimed, "Let the children come!"

### Let us worship together, united in our eternal hope.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen

### **Gathering Hymn**



# Shall We Gather at the River

ELW #423



- 1 Shall we gath er at the riv er, where bright an gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar gin of the riv er, wash ing up its sil ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv-er, lay we ev-'ry bur-den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for -ev - er flow-ing by the throne of God? we will walk and wor-ship ev - er, all the hap-py gold - en day. grace our spir-its will de-liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown. soon our hap-py hearts will quiv - er with the mel-o - dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899 Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

## **Apostolic Greeting**

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

# **Prayer of the Day**

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### ₩ Word ₩

The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community. As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.

## Back to School Blessing

God of fresh starts and new beginnings - there are endless possibilities of what this new year might bring— of what we might learn, who we might meet, and who we might become. God, our friend who is always with us, be with us through it all. For the grown-ups going back to school, be with them too. Thank you for our teachers, helpers, caregivers, and leaders, and for all they do to help us learn and grow. God, our friend who is full of wonder, fill their hearts and bless their hands. With you, every transition and new start is a reminder of your goodness, for you are always creating fresh, amazing things in us and through us. **Amen.** 

### **Dismissal Song**



### Lesson

### 1 Timothy 1:12-17

St. Paul's letter to
Timothy and Titus are
called the pastoral
epistles because they
contain advice
especially intended for
leaders in the church.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Verse**

Please stand as you are able.



# Thy Word W&P #144 Refrain Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path. Text: Psalm 119:105. Amy Grant, b. 1960 Music: THY WORD, Michael W. Smith, b. 1957

# **Gospel Luke** 15:1-10

Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that their recovery brings joy in heaven.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

### C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup>When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup>And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' <sup>7</sup>Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

8"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' 10Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

### Sermon

Please be seated

# Hymn of the Day

Please stand as you are able.



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Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

# What a Friend We Have in Jesus

ELW #742



Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886 Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

# Prayers of the Church

- P: As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

  A brief silence.
- A: Your people receive mercy and your grace overflows in our lives. Fill your church with faith and love, and give understanding hearts... Lord, in your mercy,

### C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

# **Greeting of Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.

# **№** Offering **№**

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week.

We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

#### Anthem

## When the Saints Go Marching In

arr. by James "Red" McLeod

Oh, when the saints go marching in. Oh, when the saints go marching in.

How I long to be in their number, When the saints go marching.

Oh, when the saints go marching in. Angel Gabriel blow your horn.

There's a pearly gate and I can't be late. Oh, when the saints go marching in.

Play, oh, play your clarinet. Play, oh, play your clarinet.

You've heard Gabriel call: he wants one and all. Play, oh, play your clarinet. When the saints go marchin', saints go marchin'in,

We'll hear Angel Gabriel. He'll be raising' quite a din.

St. Peter's there to greet us and the gates will open wide. He'll be watching over us till we all are safe inside.

When the saints go marchin', I'll be marching there. I'll be there. I won't hesitate when I reach that gate. When the saints go marchin' in. Who can march without a drum? Up the street you hear them come. Rat, tat, rum, tum, hear that drum.

When the saints go marchin', I'll be marchin' with em. When they're marchin' I'll be swingin' to their rhythm. Gabriel, take my hand when I reach that promised land, When the saints go marchin' in.

Offertory
Please stand as
you are able.







Text: Henry Smith

Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

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# **Offertory Prayer**

A: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen** 

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We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.



# **Great Thanksgiving**

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 our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...





# Words of Institution

### Lord's Prayer

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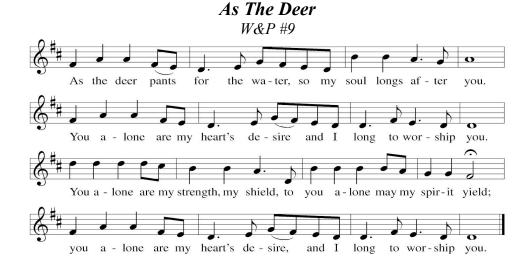
C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

# **Invitation to Communion**

Please be seated



P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest. The table has been prepared. All are welcome.



### **Distribution Music**

### **Distribution**

### Just a Closer Walk With Thee

Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is in front of the first pew.

Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you toward the front of the church for communion.

# Post-Communion Blessing

Please stand as you are able.

- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.

# Post-Communion Prayer

- A: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord..
- C: Amen.

# ■ Sending ■

We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace, Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.

### **Closing Hymn**



# Blessed Assurance



Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915 Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908 Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

**Announcements** 

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**Dismissal** 

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** 

Sunday

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music & praise.

# **WELCOME**

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—
for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.
We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you
as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	Pastor	Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
	Organist	Dr. Kris Rizzotto
	Guest Musicians	Zuhrah Shrine Dixie Kats
	Worship Assistant	Debby Pizarro
	Communion Assistant.	Marty Carlson
	Altar Servers	Mary & David Goplen
	Reader	Diane Stensrud
	Usher .	Don Holzschuh
	Rally Sunday Pie Social	Volunteers
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	Director of Music	Dr. Kris Rizzotto
	Children's Ministry Director.	Diane LaMere
	Worship Technical Director	Joseph LaMere
	Office Manager	Linda Nelson
	Design & Communication Director.	Michelle McCreery
	Custodian/Caretakers	Sarah & Trevor Skorburg

# **CALENDAR**

Sunday, September 11	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary & YouTube
		& Sunday School	<b>Sunday School Rooms</b>
	10:30 am	Pie Social	Fellowship Hall
Monday, September 12	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, September 13	9:30 am	Prayer Ministry	Christy Room/Sanctuary
	5:15 pm	SA Women's Group	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Men's AA	Patio/Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	AA/Spirituality Group	Christy Room/Sanctuary
Wednesday, September 14	10:00 AM	Bible Study	Library/Zoom
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Confirmation	. Christy Room
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Thursday, September 15	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting	Christy Room
Sunday, September 18	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary & YouTube
		& Sunday School	<b>Sunday School Rooms</b>
	4:00 pm	Isles Ensemble Concert	Sanctuary

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Worship is live-streamed each week & remains available for subsequent viewing on our <u>YouTube channel</u>.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Prayer List**

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort,



peace, and healing:

Matthew Moen; Anna Lena Skold; Trygve Svard; Evangeline Hagfors, cousin of David Hagford; Sam Pederson, nephew of Jennifer Cook; Tom Friend, brother-in-law of Mark & Kathy Hering; Beth Addington, & Elizabeth Muench, friends of the congregation; Natalie Mozey, daughter of Alan and Mary Poulsen; Cristiana Aubin, friend of Kris Rizzotto, Linda Kuehn, sister-in-law of Carol Kuehn; Ken Haenel, friend of Mary Sabatke; Marta Brown, daughter of Lizbeth & Mike Brown; Allison Reagon, friend of Michelle McCreery & Mark Duff.

### Meditation

**LOTI** is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the **Sanctuary** to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

## in the Christy Room

Our Nursery is staffed today for our littlest ones in the Congregation to use. Ushers can help you with directions to the Christy Room or simply follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary.

## Rally Sunday!

Join us after Worship today for our *Rally Sunday Pie Social* in the **Fellowship Hall**.

### **Loved Ones In The Military**

Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



### **Our Saviour's Housing Meals;**

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church provides a meal for 40 on the first Friday of every month. Due to COVID-19, our monthly meals are by donation. The shelter orders & serves the meal.

Cost per meal is \$250.

Thanks to *Dr. Remi & Debby Pizarro* for September. Our remaining 2022 schedule:

OCT Jean & Bruce Carlson

**NOV** Mary Sabatke

DEC Carol Kuehn & Family

For more information or sign-up, contact Cheri Moe moeclana@aol.com or (952) 431-5226. oscs-mn.org

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jacob Hovda 9/13 Drew Vant Hull 9/16

## **Kid Worship Materials**

Kid worship materials are available in the **Narthex** (back of **Sanctuary**). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages, activity sheets, books etc. are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

# **Visiting Sunday School Age Children**

Children **age 3 through 6th Grade** are welcome to visit Sunday School. We do ask that a parent/guardian accompany your child to Sunday School to help with the check-in process.

#### Choir Rehearsal

We gather at 7:00 PM on Wednesdays in the Sanctuary. Come sing with us!

### Women's Bible Study

We meet on **Thursdays at 7:00** PM in the **Library**, **September 15.** We are studying *Children of the Day*, by *Beth Moore*. Join us!

debragilroy@gmail.com or linda.nelson@loti.org

### LOTI Women's Book Club

Our monthly meetings will begin on **September 30**, at **5:00** PM at the home of *Deb Gilroy*. Our book is *Ordinary Grace*, by *William Kent Kruger*.

### **New Member Sunday**

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church will receive new members on **Sunday**, **September 25th** during the 9:30 AM Worship Service. Please contact the church office at 612 377-5095 or <u>churchoffice@loti.org</u> if you would like to be welcomed as a member.

### **LOTI Sermons Podcast**

Check out our new podcast series on Apple, Spotify, Amazon, or Google...wherever you listen. You can find it by typing *LOTI Sermons* in the search bar of the platform you are using for podcasts. Listen to any of the sermons from this summer through today, wherever you are, anytime!

# **New Conversation & Cuisine Groups**

After two years of a pandemic that made it difficult to get together in person, we are now planning to resume *Conversation & Cuisine* groups.

Conversation & Cuisine is a casual evening of getting better acquainted, while enjoying a meal in each other's homes or a restaurant of choice. Groups made up of 6-8 members and friends of Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church gather for three meals during the course of the year. If you would like to participate in the 2022-23 groups, please reply by September 30th to Janna Haug via email at jannahaug@yahoo.com or speak with her during Coffee Hour.

#### Thank You!

Special thanks to bakers and volunteers for Rally Sunday Pie Social...David Ackerman, Robin Bloom, Andrea Christy, Julie Gallop, Carolyn Hagford, Janna Haug, Kathy Hering, Ellie Holmquist, Twyla Hobbs, Mary Jubenville, Ruth Lee, Mary Ann Lisk, Michelle McCreery, Linda Nelson, Lorraine Spies & Beryl Waldeland, Denise Wilkens.

### Isles Ensemble Concert

September 18, 4 PM LOTI Sanctuary

### Death and Transfiguration

FRANZ SCHUBERT

String Quartet in D Minor, D. 810, Death and the Maiden

#### DMITRI SHOSTAKOVICH

Piano Quintet in G Minor, op. 57

Musicians: Stephanie Arado, Kenneth Freed, Ivan Konev, Tom Rosenberg, Leslie Shank

When a man is in despair, it means that he still believes in something. -DS

Admission is \$25 for Adults. Children, Students, & LOTI Members attend Free of Charge. Tickets may be purchased in person at the door, or in <u>advance</u>. <u>islesensemble.org</u>

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