

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Season of Pentecost

Extending from Pentecost Sunday all the way to Christ the King Sunday in November, the season of Pentecost is a time to contemplate the living out of this life of the Holy Spirit. These days of the church year are grounded in God who is the rock; God, whose steadfast love breathed life into all creation; God, whose love animates the healing hands of Jesus. We, as Christians build upon this foundation, but the questions remain: What will we build? What will be built upon our lives?

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 20, 2017 Welcome !

It is wonderful to worship with you today !

We give thanks to God for this day and the opportunity to gather together as God's family to be fed with God's Word that sustains us for daily life.

If you are joining us for the first time, please sign the guest book in the rear of the church or fill out the tear-off card on the back cover of this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

All parts of today's worship service are printed in this service bulletin.

Restrooms can be found downstairs.

We request that all cell phones and beepers be turned off when you enter the sanctuary. Thank you.

Parents with small children are welcome to use the church entryway area (through the glass doors) for quiet time. There is a changing table in the Women's bathroom.

Gathering Prayer

please stand if you are able

Gathering Hymn

sung twice

**There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.**

**Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly dove,
Stay right here with us,
filling us with your love;
And for these blessings
we lift our hearts in praise;
Without a doubt we'll know
that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.**

Brief Order For Confession and Forgiveness

Please remain standing

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Pastor: In Christ's dying and rising, we are re-
born; we are no longer dead in our sin. Let
us return to the shepherd and guardian of our
souls, confessing our sin.

*If you are able, please kneel --
or you may be seated*

Pastor: Almighty God . . .

All: **We confess before you our preference for
things that pass away, our silence in the face
of injustice, our reluctance to accept the free-
dom of forgiveness. Make us whole again;
renew in us the grace of baptism; and set our
minds on the things that are above.**

Please remain kneeling

Pastor: God calls us to seek good and to turn away
from evil. To those who believe in Jesus Christ,
God grants forgiveness of sin, strength in weak-
ness, and the promise of eternal salvation.

All: **Amen**

Opening Hymn

please stand if you are able

**1. From all that dwell below the skies
Let the creator's praise arise;
Let the redeemer's name be sung
Through ev'ry land, in ev'ry tongue.**

**2. Eternal are your mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends your Word;
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore,
Till suns shall rise and set no more.**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray . . . God of all peoples, your arms reach
out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as
disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion
and constancy, that your name may be known throughout
the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise

repeats

**I am the way
The King of the Victory
I am the truth
Lord of the harmony
I am the light
Light of the world to be**

**Hosanna – I hold your hand my friend
Hosanna – I give you strength my friend
Hosanna – You walk the sea my friend
We're gonna sail to victory**

**Sailing – Sailing
Sailing cross the river – sailing**

**Sailing – Sailing –
Sailing cross the river sailing**

**Freedom – Freedom
Freedom in the life of Jesus**

**Hosanna – I hold your hand my friend
Hosanna – I give you strength my friend
Hosanna – You walk the sea my friend
We're gonna sail to victory**

please be seated

First Lesson

Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8

New Revised Standard Version

The prophet calls upon Israel to do justice in view of God's imminent intervention to save. Righteousness and obedience define who belongs to the Israelite community—not race, nationality, or any other category.

1 Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

6 And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant— 7 these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. 8 Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Psalm

Psalm 67

Lector: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

**All: that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

Lector: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

**All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and
guide the nations upon earth.**

Lector: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

**All: The earth has yielded its increase; God,
our God, has blessed us.**

Lector: May God continue to bless us; let all the ends of the earth revere him.

All: Amen.

Second Lesson

Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32

New Revised Standard Version

God has not rejected Israel. Rather, the call and gifts of God are irrevocable, so that while all have been disobedient, God has mercy upon all.

1 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. 2 God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

29 for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. 30 Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, 31 so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. 32 For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Gospel Hymn *Part 1*

Please stand if you are able

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

Reading of the Gospel Lesson

Matthew 15: 21-28

New Revised Standard Version

Jesus teaches his disciples that true purity is a matter of the heart rather than outward religious observances. Almost immediately, this teaching is tested when a woman considered to be pagan and unclean approaches him for help.

21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." 23 But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." 24 He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." 25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." 26 He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." 27 She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." 28 Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn *part 2*

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

please be seated

please remain standing

*We will sing the following traditional hymn
from South Africa*

*- then the music will drop for the prayers
- you may hum along if you like.*

*When the music rises, we will again sing
the hymn twice.*

Hymn of the Day

please stand for the hymn

**1. Lord, whose love in humble service
Bore the weight of human need,
Who upon the cross, forsaken,
Worked your mercy's perfect deed:
We, your servants, bring the worship
Not of voice alone, but heart;
Consecrating to your purpose
Ev'ry gift which you impart.**

**2. Still your children wander homeless;
Still the hungry cry for bread;
Still the captives long for freedom;
Still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
Healed the sick and freed the soul,
By your Spirit send your power
To our world to make it whole.**

**3. As we worship, grant us vision,
Till your love's revealing light
In its height and depth and greatness
Dawns upon our quickened sight,
Making known the needs and burdens
Your compassion bids us bear,
Stirring us to ardent service,
Your abundant life to share.**

**Thuma mina - thuma mina -
thuma mina - hear us Lord**

**Hear me Jesus - hear me Jesus
hear me Jesus - hear us Lord**

at the end of the prayers

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always

All: **And also with you.**

*With a handshake, we greet one another with a sign
of God's peace. . .*

*You may be seated
following the sharing of the peace*

Offering

*We worship God through our giving.
As the offering plate is passed we
respond to God's Word as we give
thanks for God's material and
spiritual gifts to us.*

Offertory

*Sung by congregation
as the gifts are presented at the altar
Please stand if you are able.*

**Take my life – that I may be
Consecrated Lord to thee
Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise**

**1. Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee**

**Take my life – that I may be
Consecrated Lord to thee
Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise**

**2. Take my silver and my gold
Not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose**

**Take my life – that I may be
Consecrated Lord to thee
Take my moments and my days
Let them flow in ceaseless praise**

Leader: Let us pray . . . Gracious God,

All: You open your hand, filling our lives with all good things and renewing the face of the earth. We offer these gifts in thanksgiving for all that we have received from your bounty. Accept them for the sake of him who offered his life for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving *spoken*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is right and a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You are the one who was, and is, and is yet to come. And so with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn . . .

The Sanctus

sung - repeat after pastor

Pastor: Holy

All: **Holy**

Pastor: Holy, Holy

All: **Holy, Holy**

Pastor: Holy God Almighty

All: **Holy God Almighty**

Pastor: Heaven is filled with glory
Hosanna in the highest

All : **Heaven is filled with glory
Hosanna in the highest**

Eucharistic Prayer

Pastor: All glory and honour to you, God of grace, for you gave your only Son Jesus Christ once for all on the cross to be the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world, that all who believe in him might have eternal life..

All: **Amen, Come Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Therefore heavenly Father, in this sacrament of the suffering and death of your Son, we now celebrate the wonder of your grace and your saving presence in our lives.

All: **Amen**

Pastor: Let us now pray with confidence the words our Saviour gave us:

All: **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**

Pastor: Come, all has been prepared; eat and drink with delight, and be satisfied.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei

All: **Lamb of God**

**You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

O - Lamb of God

**You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

Lamb of God

**You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

O - Lamb of God

**You Take away the sin of the world
Grant us - Grant us - Your peace**

please be seated

The Holy Communion

Instructions for receiving
Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion; children and those of other faiths are invited to share the bread and a blessing.

*Communion will be distributed
in this fashion:*

*When dismissed by an usher
please come to the front of the church
to receive the bread from the
Pastor or Assisting Minister.*

*If you are seated on the **right** side
of the church please go to the **right** side
communion rail.*

*If you are seated on the **left**
side go to the **left** side communion rail.*

*The Assistant minister will follow with the cup.
Please dip your wafer into the wine when prompted.*

*If you are unable to come forward but would like to
receive communion, please inform the usher
and communion will be brought to you in the pew.*

*Gluten-free wafers and wine are available -
ask when you come to the Communion rail.*

Communion Hymn

to be sung by the congregation

**1. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.**

**2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with Thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.**

**3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with Thy fire divine.**

**4. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity.**

*When all have returned to their seats,
the congregation will please stand*

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: **Amen**

Leader: Let us pray . . . God our creator,

All: **At this table you have satisfied us with the
good things of your grace. Fix our hearts on
your mercy and truth, that our lives may reflect
your love for all creation; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen**

Post-Communion Canticle

All: **Thank the Lord and sing his praise;
Tell everyone what he has done.
Let everyone who seeks 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**

please be seated

Congregational Announcements

please stand for the Benediction and closing Hymn

Pastor: Continue to walk in Christ Jesus, rooted and built
up in him. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy
Spirit, bless you now and forever.

All: **Amen**

Closing hymn

**1. 2. 3. What a mighty God we serve
What a mighty God we serve
Angels bow before Him
Heaven and earth adore Him
What a mighty God we serve (Sung 3 times)**

**4. Victory is mine
Victory is mine
Victory today is mine
I told Satan – get Thee behind
Victory today is mine**

**5. Joy is mine
Joy is mine
Joy today is mine
I told Satan – get Thee behind
Joy today is mine**

**6. Peace is mine
Peace is mine
Peace today is mine
I told Satan – get Thee behind
Peace today is mine**

Leader: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**



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OUR SAVIOUR

LUTHERAN CHURCH

welcome home !

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 20, 2017

Today - Pentecost 11

Worship	8:30 AM
Worship	10:00 AM
Worship	11:30 AM

Wednesday Food Pantry

10:00 AM

Saturday Church Prep

9:30 AM

Next Sunday - Pentecost 12

Worship	8:30 AM
Worship	10:00 AM
Worship	11:30 AM

Arrivals and Departures . . .

Free Parking ~ Every Sunday
Available on the south side of 90th Avenue from
175 Street to 178 Street. You MUST display a
yellow parking permit. To get a permit ask an
usher - they are FREE!

Cold water is available in the church entryway.

Hand Sanitizers are available in the entryway
and in the bathrooms.



Contact Us . . .

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the important things ...



Consider giving through our online giving system. It is safe and secure. You can sign up for a one-time gift, but more importantly; you can set it to give your offering on a regular basis, even when you are not at church. Many of our folks now use this easy way to give - you basically set it, and forget it. You never have to remember your offering, or find your offering envelopes - your gifts are automatically sent to the church account.

To sign up, simply go to the church web site at oursaviourjamaica.com and click on the "Donate" button in the upper left hand corner. Because the expenses of the church continue even when you are not in church, this is the best thing you could possibly do to support the ministries of your church each and every week - Pastor Bob uses it, you might consider it too.

Gotta Talk to Pastor Bob ? Gotta Talk to Pastor John ?

- trying to schedule a prayer service ?
- need to ask a question ?
- just need to talk ?

Please try to remember that "church time" is "church time." If you need to speak with a pastor, unless it is an emergency, please send an e-mail, or give a call. They are never too busy for you.

There are a lot of things for pastors to prepare on a Sunday morning, especially between services. Please be respectful of "church time."

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for our young folks



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**For all youths
ages 12-19
Movie and Game Nights
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at 7:00 PM
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***Form Your Faith
Find New Friends
Feed Your Community
Feel Safe and Have Fun***



At the Museum of Natural History in NYC - during the first 1st Friday event
Be a part of ALL the great things at OSLC !



mark your calendars

Kid's Church is back - now only on holiday weekends at the 10:00 service. If there is a three-day holiday weekend on the calendar, we will be having Kid's Church that Sunday at 10:00 AM - plus something new - the youth of Our Saviour will be taking the lead this year ! Come join us for something special - the first one is Labor Day Weekend - September 3.

Confirmation Class - Students and Parents Info Session - September 30 at 10:00 AM

Worship Assistant Training Days - will be announced soon

Pastor John's Installation - October 7 at 4:00 PM - much more to follow about this big day.

Pastors and Prayer Services, etc.

One of the reasons we have two pastors is so that the ministry responsibilities are shared between two pastors instead of one. Effective immediately, for most events, only one pastor will be attending. We still love you, but there are too many events, especially this summer, for both pastors to be able to attend each and every event.

we are . . . our saviour !



**SEPTEMBER 9 - SATURDAY
we need YOU - sign up sheets are up NOW**

We need need people to volunteer for:

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers - the church will NOT be purchasing any hot dogs or hamburgers this year - it is ALL up to you - please remember to buy rolls and buns too - do NOT bring anything other than hot dogs or hamburgers - except maybe veggieburgers

Hamburgers and hot dogs (and rolls !) can be delivered to church Friday - September 8 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Please do not wait until Saturday to bring your food.

Water and ONLY Water - cases of individual water bottles can be brought to church on Friday September 8 from 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM -- Please do not wait until Saturday to bring your water. NO soda - NO fruit drink - only water please

Set Up - Saturday morning (September 9) at 9:00 AM - lots of help needed

Clean Up - Saturday afternoon at 4:00 PM - lots of help needed

Face Painters and Balloon Makers - Saturday morning at 11:00 AM

Talent Show - no point in putting up the stage if you do not showcase your talent - play an instrument ? Sign Up ! Sing ? Sign Up ! Dance ? Sign Up !

Welcome !

If you are joining us for the first time today or if your personal information has changed, please use this tear-off card to help us keep in touch with you and let you know of all the great things happening at Our Saviour Lutheran Church.

My Name _____

Address _____

Apartment _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail address _____

This is my:

- 1st time at worship
 2nd time at worship

I would like more information on:

- Becoming a Member
 Baptizing my child
 I would like a Pastor to call
 Other _____

I am asking the church to pray for the following person or reason

- I would like these prayers to be kept confidential
- I would like these prayers to be added to the church prayer list to be read next Sunday morning during worship
(Names will be included for one week)

Please tear off this card and either
- place it in the offering plate
- give it to an usher



Our Saviour Lutheran Church

90-04 175th Street
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The Perfect church . . . for those who aren't !

This year marks our 93rd year of ministry in Queens. Organized in 1923, Our Saviour Lutheran Church includes people from 26 nations of origin, gathered together to celebrate in Word and Sacrament the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to root our hope in the power of the Good News.

As a people who have been touched by God's love in Jesus Christ, we respond by giving our lives in friendship and service.

We are: A Joyful people !
 A Diverse people !
 Gathered for worship !
 Scattered for ministry !

Welcome !

Worship Schedule

Worship every Sunday
8:30 AM ~ 10:00 AM ~ 11:30 AM

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Bend and tear off along this line