

“...They who have my commandments  
and keep them are those who love me,  
and those who love me will be loved by  
my Father, and I will love them and  
reveal myself to them.”

—John 14:21



Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
Larimore, ND  
May 14, 2023  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Happy Mother's Day!

# GREETING

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made

**Assembly: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Leader: Jesus is Risen!

**Assembly: Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: Our celebration of Easter life continues,

**ALL: Let us worship and give praise to God!**

## \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open...through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on me. I confess that I have turned from you and given myself into the power of sin. I am truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive me of my sins, known and unknown, things I have done and things I have failed to do. Turn me again to you, and uphold me by your Spirit, so that I may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, my Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy...that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.  
**Amen.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN** *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”* #631 vs.1-3

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray, **Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SING**/CHILDREN'S SERMON/NOISY OFFERING

# WORD

**FIRST READING:** *Acts 17:22-34* PB 902

*WORD OF GOD, WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD.*

**PSALM:** *Psalm 66:1-20* PB 459-460 (*read responsively, verse by verse*)

**SECOND READING:** *1Peter 3:13-22* PB 985

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**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** “*O Savior, Precious Savior*” #820 vs.1

**P:** The Gospel according to John, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter

**A: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL:** *John 14:15-21* PB 877

**P:** The Gospel of our Lord.

**A: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “*Now the Green Blade Rises*” #379 vs.1-4

**\*APOSTLE’S CREED** pg.105

**\*OFFERING** “*We Give Thee but Thine Own*” vs.1

**We give Thee but thine own, what e’er thy gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**All good gifts come from you, dear Lord, and from these riches we bring this offering. Help us to use it for the furtherance of your purpose in this place, and for the benefit of those in need. Amen.**

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** *\*SEE INSERT\* (last page)*

**\*LORD’S PRAYER** pg.112

# SENDING

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*BLESSING**

**\*SENDING HYMN** “*Now Thank We all Our God!*” #840 vs.1-3

**\*DISMISSAL**

**Alleluia! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**Go, in peace to share the good news. Thanks be to God!**

*POSTLUDE*

**Welcome!** We are glad you are with us today! If you are interested in joining our church, please contact Lori at 218-791-2671 or Julie at 701-741-5683. If you have an emergency, call Wayne Knudson (church president) at 218-779-3594 -or- Camilla Stover at 218-791-2678.

Our Savior's Mission Statement:

**"Excited by faith**, we are called to **serve all**; gathered to **WORSHIP**, **inspired** to teach,  
**we are our Savior's!"**

**Serving this Sunday**

*Ushers:* Joel & JoAnn Knudson

*Reader:* JoAnn & Joel Knudson

*Prayer:* Joel Knudson

*Communion:* N/A

*Fellowship:* No Fellowship

**Serving Next Sunday (5/21/23)**

*Ushers:* Matt P.

*Reader:* Matt P.

*Prayer:* Camilla Stover

*Communion:* N/A

*Fellowship:* Spring Cleanup w/meal to follow

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Family of Rose Lynne Miller and Lisa Ward Montgomery (sister and niece of Daphne Sobolik), Ashley Johnson (daughter in-law to Mike & Stephanie Johnson), Rita Carew (Julie Mutch's mom), Those affected by the spring flooding, Pr. Rena Peterson, OSLC Call Committee, Cindy Olson, Bonnie Olson, Marv Jemtrud, Clint & Sandie Lein, David Barnett (relative of Robert Stover), Arlene Lilja, Donna Willoughby (daughter of Gordon Peterson), LaVonne Jacobson, David Sletten (cousin to Camilla Stover), Robbie Leake, Those being afflicted by the war in Ukraine

## **CALENDAR**

**Today, 5/14/2023—Happy Mother's Day!**

9:00am—Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

10:00am—Worship

*NO FELLOWSHIP*

**Wednesday, 5/17/2023**

Happy Syttende Mai

**Saturday, 5/20/2023**

Armed Forces Day

**Next Sunday, 5/21/2023—Sr. Recognition Sunday & Spring Cleanup**

9:00am—Adult Bible Study

10:00am—Worship

11:00am—Spring Cleanup: Burgers & Dogs w/fixin's, & cake for dessert!

**Every day:**

An opportunity to show we are Christians by our love.

## **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Mission of the Month for: May-June:** Grounds
- **Noisy offering** will be collected on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month for the mission of the month(s).
- **Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>:** Sr. Recognition Day; Last day of Adult Bible Study; Spring Cleaning Day—bring your “grubby” clothes; **Baccalaureate Service @ 4pm @ Free Lutheran Church.**
- **Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>:** LHS Graduation @ 2:00pm
- **Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>:** Memorial Day
- **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>:** Worship Service time changes to 9:00am
- **Thank you!:** The Mother/Daughter Tea was a great success! Thank you to Cherie Johnson and her sister, who provided the clothes; Thank you also to Cindy Melby, RuthAnn Sweeney, Sandie Knudson, OSLC Men, and the young women who modeled.
- **CONGRATS!:** New addition to the family of Jeff & AnnaLee Williams! John Levi Williams, Born: April 24<sup>th</sup>; Grandparents are: Walt & Stacie Williams and Jerry & Sharon Hokkala
- **Spring Cleaning Day:** Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> (*backup date: Sun. June 4<sup>th</sup>*)
- **OSLC VBS (Vacation Bible School):** July 18-20.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION—INSERT**

Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember mothers...that they would be pleased to be called our moms.

***Refrain:*** Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

L: We pray for moms whose children are grown.

**A: Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.**

L: We pray for moms experiencing changes they could not predict.

**A: Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.**

L: We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

**A: Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.**

L: We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

**A: Grant them strength and wisdom.**

L: We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

**A: Grant them time to share with their families.**

L: We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

**A: Grant them relief and justice.**

L: We pray for step-moms.

**A: Grant them patience, understanding and love.**

L: We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

**A: Grant them faith and hope.**

L: We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

**A: Grant them support and insight.**

L: We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

**A: Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.**

L: We pray for adoptive mothers.

**A: Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.**

L: We pray for women who think about becoming mothers.

**A: Grant them wisdom and discernment.**

L: We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be mothers.

**A: Grant them grace to accept your timing.**

L: We pray for women who have assumed the mother's role in a child's life.

**A: Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.**

L: We pray for all people who are grieving the loss of their mother.

**A: Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.**

**Refrain: Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**

Lord, we thank you for the gift of motherhood. We thank you for the many examples of faithful mothers in scripture... And may they model for all the rest of us what it means to be your disciple. Bless them on this special day; in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Author of prayer unknown*