OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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January 18th, 2015 * Our Savior - Thirty Years

I. The Service of Preparation & TLH p.5

OPENING HYMN: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty TLH 39 LOBE DEN HERREN

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is Thy Health and Salvation! Join the full throng: - Wake, harp and psalter and song; Sound forth in glad adoration!

2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth. Hast thou not seen - How thy desires all have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord, who hath fearfully, wondrously, made thee; Health hath vouchsafed and, when heedlessly falling, hath stayed thee. What need or grief - Ever hath failed of relief? Wings of His mercy did shade thee.

4. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee, Who from the heavens the streams of His mercy doth send thee. Ponder anew - What the Almighty can do, Who with His love doth befriend thee.

5. PRAISE TO THE LORD! OH, LET ALL THAT IS IN ME ADORE HIM! ALL THAT HATH LIFE AND BREATH, COME NOW WITH PRAISES BEFORE HIM! LET THE AMEN - SOUND FROM HIS PEOPLE AGAIN;

GLADLY FOR AYE WE ADORE HIM.

P: $rac{1}{1}$ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son arrow and of the Holy Spirit.

C: ♪ A- -men.

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The CONFESSION of SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. S Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

C: $\ensuremath{\mathcal{I}}$ Who made heaven and earth.

P: S I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: $\ensuremath{\mathcal{I}}$ And Thou for gavest the iniquity of- my- sin.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

MEN: 3. We share our mutual woes, - Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flow - A sympathizing tear.

LEFT: 4. When here our pathways part, - We suffer bitter pain; Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, - We know we meet again.

RIGHT: 5. This glorious hope revives - Our courage by the way, While each in expectation lives - And longs to see the day.

ALL: 6. From sorrow, toil, and pain, - And sin we shall be free <u>And perfect love and friendship reign - Through all eternity</u>.

The COLLECT for (the Spread of) the WORD (Prayer)

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One True God, now and forever. **C**: **J A**---men

The Mixed Combined Choir will sing "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

The **BENEDICTION**

P: ♪ The Lord bless thee and keep thee,

The Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee, The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee and give Φ thee peace.

C: ♪ A-men, A-men, A- - -men.

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CLOSING HYMN "Savior, Again To Thy Dear Name ... " TLH#47 4 verses

- 1. Savior, again to Thy Dear Name we raise With one accord our parting hymn of praise. / Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease, Then, lowly bending, wait Thy Word of Peace.
- 2. Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way; With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day; / Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame, That in this house have called upon Thy Name.
- 3. Grant us Thy Peace, Lord, through the coming night; Turn Thou for us its darkness into light. / From harm and danger keep Thy children free, For dark and light are both alike to Thee.
- 4. Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life, Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife; / Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease, CALL US, O LORD, TO THINE E TERNAL PEACE.

(SILENT) CLOSING PRAYER & CANDLES OUT & ANNOUNCEMENTS & GREETINGS

WELCOME! *Our Savior* congregation is so very pleased to have the opportunity to share with you the blessings of our Christ-centered ministry. We welcome you in the Name of *Our Savior, Jesus Christ*. To friends who know us, we renew our welcome and to our first time guests we extend it most sincerely.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who helped in the service and whole day. We are so grateful to **Rev. Kenneth Mellon & Carol** for being with us today.

EXORDIUM: Brief Explanation of this Festival – OSL 30TH ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL EXORDIUM VERSE *"For Many Years, O God of Grace"* #639 verse 1

1. For many years, O God of grace, - This church has been Thy dwelling place And we Thy congregation. Upon the precious Cornerstone - Our faith is built, and Christ alone - Is still our one Foundation;

Today - We pray: "Let us greet Thee, - Lord and meet Thee Here with singing, - All our praises to Thee bringing."

SERMON Text: Ephesians 4:1-6 THEME: "GOD HAS CALLED YOU IN CHRIST!"

(End of Sermon) P: The Peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus to life everlasting, Amen.

(After Sermon) C: ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and-renew a right spirit within me, Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salva-tion; and uphold me with Thy- free spirit. A-men. (The OFFERING)

During The OFFERING the Pastors Choir will sing Lord of All Hopefulness

OFFERTORY VERSES "Here children have been born anew" #639, verses 2&3

2. Here children have been born anew, - As manifold as morning dew,

Their vows to Thee confessing. Here many found a Table spread, Thev ate Christ's Body with the bread - And drank the Cup of blessing;

Today - We pray:

"Let none falter - At Thine altar

We adore Thee, - Gladly worship here before Thee."

3. Here when the marriage vows were made, - Both bride and groom besought Thine aid, - Thy Love their own transcending. Here mourners, with their troubled hearts, - Have found the Peace Thy Word imparts; The Joy that has no ending. Today - We pray: "May the story Of Thy Glory - Here resounding. - Be a song of Grace abounding!"

PRAYER for the CHURCH Either a General or Special Prayer may be used.

After the General Prayer, **The LORD'S PRAYER**

C: Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowéd 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 & ever, Amen.

THIRD HYMN "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" TLH #464 6 verses

ALL: 1. Blest be the tie that binds - Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds - Is like to that above.

WOMEN: 2. Before our Father's throne - We pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, - Our comforts and our cares. 7

C: O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy Will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the End, that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only begotten Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His Name He gives the power to become children of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. All who believe and are Baptized will be saved. **C: Grant this, Lord, unto us all.** A---men.

The INTROIT (Entrance)

P: Righteous are You, O Lord, and upright are Your judgments. Deal with Your servant according to Your mercy. Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the Law of the Lord.from **Psalm 119** (Part 18)

The GLORIA PATRI (Glory be to God)

C: ♪ Glory- be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning; is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (Lord Have Mercy)

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Glory in the Highest) *P*: ♪ Glory be to God on high.

C: ♪ And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, Heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son- of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon- us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the Right Hand of God the Father, have mercy upon- us. For Thou only art holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

The SALUTATION (Greeting)

P:♪ The Lord be with you.

C: J And with thy spir-it.

The COLLECT (*Prayer* for this Sunday prayed by Pastor - words on page 1) C: (sung after the Collect) ♪ A- - -men. The congregation may be seated.

II. The Service of The Word (TLH p. 10)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

I Samuel 2:1-10 NIV Then Hannah prayed and said: "My heart rejoices in the LORD; in the LORD my horn is lifted high. My mouth boasts over my enemies, for I delight in Your deliverance. 2 "There is no one holy like the ...

LORD; there is no one besides You; there is no Rock like our God. 3 "Do not keep talking so proudly or let your mouth speak such arrogance, for the LORD is a God Who knows, and by Him deeds are weighed. 4 "The bows of the warriors are broken, but those who stumbled are armed with strength. 5 Those who were full hire themselves out for food, but those who were hungry hunger no more. She who was barren has borne seven children, but she who has had many sons pines away. 6 "The LORD brings death and makes alive; He brings down to the grave and raises up. 7 The LORD sends poverty and wealth; He humbles and He exalts. 8 He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; He seats them with princes and has them inherit a throne of honor. "For the foundations of the earth are the LORD's; upon them He has set the world. 9 He will guard the feet of His saints, but the wicked will be silenced in darkness. "It is not by strength that one prevails: 10 those who oppose the LORD will be shattered. He will thunder against them from heaven; the LORD will judge the ends of the earth. "He will give strength to His king and exalt the horn of His Anointed."

EPISTLE (Sermon Text)

Ephesians 4:1-6 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. 2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. 3 Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit – just as you were called to one Hope when you were called – 5 one Lord, one faith, one Baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

GRADUAL C: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, and the people whom He has chosen for His own inheritance. By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, and all the hosts of them by the breath of His mouth. Alleluia! Alleluia! The right hand of the Lord is exalted, the right hand of the Lord does valiantly. Alleluia!from Psalm 118

C: (Sung after the Epistle & Gradual) ♪ Allelu-ia, Allelu-ia, Allelu- - -ia!

The HOLY GOSPEL The congregation please rise.

C: (Sung before the Holy Gospel is read) ♪ Glo-ry be to Thee, O LORD.

Luke 14:1-11 One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, He was being carefully watched. 2 There in front of Him was a man suffering from dropsy. 3 Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in the law, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?" 4 But they remained silent. So taking hold of the man, He healed him and sent him away. 5 Then He asked them, "If one of you has a son or an ox that falls into a well on the Sabbath day, will you not immediately pull him out?" 6 And they had nothing to say. 7 When He noticed how the guests picked the ...

places of honor at the table, He told them this parable: 8 "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited.9 If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this man your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. 10 But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all your fellow guests. 11 For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

C: (Sung after the Holy Gospel is read) ♪ Praise- be to Thee, O CHRIST.

APOSTLES' CREED (Our Confession of Faith) All say together:

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the Third Day He Rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the Right Hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body ✤ and the Life everlasting. Amen. The Congregation may be seated.

HYMN of the DAY The Church's One Foundation TLH #473 AURELIA

- ALL: 1. The Church's One Foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is His new creation - By water and the Word.
 From heaven He came and sought her - To be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her, - And for her life He died.
 - ↑ 60: 2. Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation - One Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy Name she blesses, - Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, - With every grace endued.
- *ALL:* 3. The Church shall never perish! Her dear Lord, to defend, To guide, sustain, and cherish, Is with her to the end.
- Though there be those that hate her. False sons within her pale, Against both foe and traitor - She ever shall prevail.

 \checkmark 60: 4. Though with a scornful wonder - Men see her sore oppressed, By schisms rent asunder, - By heresies distressed,

Yet saints their watch are keeping; - Their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping - Shall be the morn of song.

ALL: 5. MID TOIL AND TRIBULATION - AND TUMULT OF HER WAR SHE WAITS THE CONSUMMATION - OF PEACE FOREVERMORE, TIL WITH THE VISION GLORIOUS - HER LONGING EYES ARE BLEST

AND THE GREAT CHURCH VICTORIOUS - SHALL BE THE CHURCH AT REST.