Sunday, September 7, 2025 Holy Communion 10:30 A.M.

In person or on-line here or through our website: www.livingsaviourlc.org.

SERVING AS WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY:

Assisting Minister – Glenda Kilminster Crucifer – Riley Skidmore Acolyte – Henry Schwab

INSTRUMENTALISTS TODAY:

Trumpet - Gordon Hann

SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS:



The Altar Flowers for this Sunday are given by Terry Sullivan in memory of Dick and Arline Sullivan.

If you would like to give altar flowers call or email the church office 704-542-3626 to sign up: M-F, 9-1. Not sure if someone has already signed up? The 2025 Flower Chart has been posted in the hallway. Your \$50 donation may be dropped off on Sundays, mailed, or by using the on-line giving.

Online: The **2025** online flower donation chart may be found here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CACAC29A6F4C16-50072720-2025#/

SMITHFIELD FOOD PANTRY

We can begin to stock the Smithfield Food Pantry! Below is a list of items requested. All items must be non-perishable. These items can be placed in the donation bins.

- boxes of milk
- peanut butter
- jelly
- tortillas
- canned tuna/chicken
- cans of soup
- pasta
- pasta sauce (plastic jars please)

- ramen noodles
- nutritious granola bars (Nuts and Honey, for example)
- honey
- cereal
- grits
- oatmeal

SAVE THE DATE - DECEMBER 6 - CRAFT FAIR!

Our annual Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 9am-2pm.

SAVE THE DATE - OCTOBER 5

Health and Wholeness is honored to host our fellow member Dr. Katy Gleditsch Parham, DO for her presentation "Support Through Loss and Grief". Katy serves as Medical Director of Pediatric Palliative Care Team for Levine Children's Hospital. We all have grief and losses in our lives whether from disability, job loss, life changes or death. This is a great opportunity to find support in your way forward. Bring friends (and your lunch if you like) after church on Sunday October 5!

WOMEN...MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW

(March 6-8, 2026)

I know it's a long way off...But get it on your calendar now. Join Pr. Sara for Wild Women's Weekend at Lutheridge: March 6-8, 2026.

https://lutheridge.org/fall_spring_programs/wild-women-weekends/

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SAVE ANOTHER DATE!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT—DECEMBER 14 at 3:00 PM CHOIRS, ORCHESTRA AND ORGAN

§ MUSIC MINISTRY 9:

We are always eager to welcome newcomers to leadership roles in the music ministry. Fall is a perfect time to join since the musical season is beginning anew.

Opportunity for serving is available in several areas.

CHANCEL CHOIR

- Wednesdays, at 6:30 PM, and again on Sundays prior to worship
- Leads worship each Sunday as well as special seasonal worship services
- No experience required. We'll teach you!

ALLELUIA RINGERS (HANDBELLS)

- Rehearses on Sunday mornings and on Wednesday at announced times.
- Ring for worship approximately every 5 weeks and other announced times.
- Experience—NONE required. We'll teach you!

FESTIVAL CHOIR

- For folks who just can't make a weekly commitment but would like to participate in choir for special services/events (Reformation, Advent, Christmas Concert in the fall and other services in the spring)
- You choose when you want to sing.

INSTRUMENTALIST

• We love to have people play instruments during worship. Sometimes during prelude or communion times. Sometimes to accompany service music or the choir.

Music is a powerful gift from God that speaks to people in ways that mere words do not. As a leader in music ministry, you will be a blessing to those you serve and I guarantee that that blessing will be returned to you in huge measure!

Want more information? Please talk to Don.



FAITH FORMATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS:

Classes will resume on Sunday, September 7, 2025

Children's Class will be downstairs High School Youth will gather outside of sanctuary.

Adult Class will be in the Education Wing (Adults will be discussing *The Tears of Things* by Richrd Rohr)

GATHERING@theTable

Gathering@theTable will resume on Thursday, September 11, 2025

WEDNESDAY BOOK STUDY

~ Resumes September 10 @ 10:00am

First book: **Love Wins**

A book about heaven, hell and the fate of every person who ever lived (by Rob Bell)



Living Saviour Lutheran Preschool is Hiring!

If you or anyone you know may be interested in working at LSLP, please reach out to Elsie Davis, Director! 704-542-9110

preschool@lslc.church

HEALTH AND WHOLENESS MINISTRY G.R.A.C.E. INFORMATION:



Active Exercise Opportunities:

- Yoga 4 You:
 - Mondays 6:15 p.m.
 - Tuesdays 9:30 a.m.
 - Thursdays 9:30 a.m. and 6:15 p.m.
 - Saturdays 10:00 a.m.
- Chair Yoga
 - o Thursdays 11:00 a.m.

September 2025 Health and Wholeness

The Health and Wholeness focus for September is Mind, Body & Spirit Connection.

Tip#1: We are all more than just our thoughts. We are our body, emotions and our spirituality. The mind-body connection is a proven phenomenon that plays a critical role in our overall well-being. Chronic stress can suppress the immune system, leading to illness. Gratitude and joy can increase immune defenses.

John 10:10 Jesus said "The thief comes to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

Health and Wholeness Ministry Wants to Hear from You!

In order to better serve our congregation, the Health and Wholeness Ministry is asking you to fill out a survey to see what topics you are interested in having us present, how we should present them, and what are the best days and times for the presentations.

This survey is strictly voluntary and anonymous. Any questions that members do not feel comfortable answering can be left blank. As stated above, we are most interested in topics, method of presentation, and day and time for presentation.

We hope everyone will participate in the survey and help us to help you get information and answers to those health and wholeness topics that concern you.

The Health and Wholeness Ministry thanks everyone in advance for giving us your input and guidance.

We ask that surveys be completed by September 30, 2025. You may return completed paper copies to the marked box in the entryway of the church.

If you have questions, please contact Laura Michael at Imichael9901@gmail.com or Ginger Kern at vakern@att.net

Link and QR Code below:



https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XYJ3CNX



SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour before and after worship services is an important part of our Ministry of Hospitality, something we can all share in. Consider assuming a role in this ministry through one of the following channels.

- **Host coffee hour.** Please sign up on the Sunday(s) you're willing to serve. Sign-up sheet is on the coffee hour table in the gallery.
- **Supply food for coffee hour.** Whether you host or not, consider bringing in food items.

Please speak with Alice Jenkins or one of the coffee hour hosts for more details and instructions.

For all who host and/or make the coffee on Sunday morning, we say THANK YOU! What you do is important in our hospitality ministry and is enjoyed by everyone!

DAILY DEVOTIONAL AIDS

DAILY DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS, THE WORD IN SEASON, are available on the welcome table where worship folders are located. The July-September 2025 "Word In Season" devotional is now available. If you'd like one sent to you, please contact Laura at the church office.

DAILY DEVOTIONS, TAKING FAITH HOME (TFH) are available on an attachment in the weekly email you receive from the church office.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER COPIES are available outside the sanctuary on the table beside the building exit door. The newsletter is emailed to members monthly, but a few hard copies are available for those who prefer them.

REMINDER FOR PRAYER REQUESTS: We will be 'zeroing' the whiteboard and weekly prayer lists on the 2nd Monday of each month. We will pray for those congregational members who grieve the loss of a *family member* for one year and for those who grieve the loss of a dear one who is *not* a family member for one month. If you would like to have someone added onto the prayer list moving forward, please make sure you do one of the following:

- Add the name(s) on the white board
- Email the church office
- Email Alice Jenkins

Thank you!

Your Offerings:

You may use this QR code to make an on-line payment. It will take you to the church VANCO on-line payment portal.



You may also access on-line giving through the website, click the on-line giving button to pay for flowers, make an offering to the general operating fund, or support the on-going outreach opportunities. Indicate in the line what your gift is directed towards.

You may also mail your gift to the church. Clearly state on the memo line what the check is to be used for-- General Fund, Mortgage Reduction or other purpose (such as Flowers, Special Day, etc.).

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