Our Saviour's Lutheran Church **Sunday Worship**

July 13, 2025 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00AM



Welcome



Your presence builds up the body Christ. We welcome and affirm God's diversity, including all ethnicities, cultures, races, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, abilities, ages, and life experiences. You are invited to full participation in our congre-



RECONCILING IN CHRIST

gation because of who you are. We lament and confess how the Christian Church has withheld Christ's love by misusing the power of institution. We commit to advocating for God's justice and mercy for all of creation, including humans. We commit to anti-racism and other ways of ending systems that cause harm. Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us. Our communion table is Christ's table. You and all people are welcome without exception.

Prayer Requests: Donna, Mary, Tracy & Marty, Gene, Addison and Nicole, and those at home and in care facilities. Our Extended Friends & Family: David - son of Geoff and Suzy former Our Saviour's members; Jeanne (Cousin of Alan Bales); Barbara (sister-in-law of Kenith Ijams); Peggy (sister of Bonnie Phelps); Josh, Melissa, and Mary Ann (friends of Chris and Theda Doak); Megan (niece of Chris and Theda Doak Sandy and Doug, Sally, Ashley, and Kamri (friends of Kathy DeVinney) Tom (brother-in-law of Ted Adams); Abel (great grandson of Laverne Walsh); Maureen (mother of Adam Delaossa); Jeanne (friend of Schatzi Taylor); Grant and Shirley (brother and sister-in-law of Theda Doak; John (son of Martha Neff Stum and Paul Stum); Sam; Libby (friend of Theda Doak); Eleanor (mother-in-law of Kris Sanchez; Bert and Maria (Friends of Jon and Nilu Dorschner); Kristian and Melissa (Jon and Nilu Dorschner's son and daughter-in-law); Pat (friend of congregation).

Names will remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for longer.

Newcomers and Visitors + Newcomers and Visitors + We're glad you're here. Please fill out the green slip in the pew rack and place in the offering plate. You're welcome to share in Holy Communion. Families - we have a small play area up front.

Nametags + Nametags help us get to know and remember each other. Please let the ushers know if you need one made for you.

Expansive Language + As Lutherans, we teach that "God calls all creation into being and gives people language as a way of responding to God and forming community" (Principles for Worship, Principle L-1). In worship at Our Saviour's, we seek to use expansive language for God and people, sometimes changing or offering alternatives to the printed text.

Current Liturgy Music + liturgy is the flow of our worship service - working together as people to praise God. Currently our liturgy music is from *Now the Feast and Celebration* by Marty Haugen.

Listening Deeply to the Prophets

This summer we are following an alternative pattern for our readings in worship in order to listen and learn from prophetic teachers in our tradition. Each week we will hear from Luke's Gospel and then from one of the Hebrew Bible prophets - Elijah, Elisha, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, and Jeremiah. Theologian Rolf Svanoe writes that Jesus learned by "listening deeply to the prophets" in his book/ Love To Preach the Story: A Summer of Prophet Sharing, Year C. This book, as well as other resources for preaching and teach- ing about the prophets, and their own words will guide our path through the summer. We will use storytelling and reader's theater to help connect us more closely with the passion and faithfulness of the prophets. Through faithful reading, preaching, and listening deeply to the prophets we pray that we will grow in understanding how we can convey God's hope and grace found in Christ through the Holy Spirit.

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ELW is Evangelical Lutheran Worship, our red hymn book located in the pew rack in front of you. The songs are in the back half of the book, with the song number at the top of the page.

*An asterisk indicates the congregation should stand in body and/or spirit. Congregation's speaking and singing parts are in bold font.

WELCOME

PRELUDE I Will Sing of The Mercies, Arr. Carol Tornquist

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Sovereign, and of the + Savior, and of the Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
you free us to love others;
we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace;
we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity;
we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, you are free. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

*GATHERING HYMN

Now the Feast and Celebration

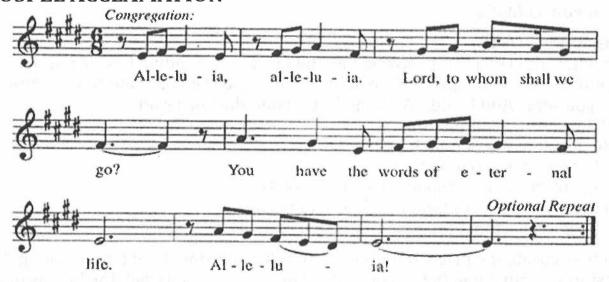


*GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Reading Amos 7:7-17

⁷ This is what [the Lord God] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel;

I will spare them no longer;

⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there, ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet nor a prophet's son, but I am a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

¹⁶ "Now therefore hear the word of the LORD.

You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.'

¹⁷ Therefore thus says the LORD:

Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Silence for Reflection

*HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #725 When the Poor Ones

When the Poor Ones

Cuando el pobre



Music: EL CAMINO, Miguel Manzano, b. 1934
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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The assisting minister leads the prayers.

...God in your mercy, receive our prayer.

...We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

*EXCHANGE OF PEACE

OFFERING Flourish on "Salzburg", Arr. Douglas E. Wagner

*OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to give our thanks and praise in all ways and all places...

...We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*HOLY HOLY HOLY



...Trusting in the mercy and compassion of God who is with us as Parent and Creator, let us pray as Jesus did:

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.

COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

SHARING OF COMMUNION BY INTINCTION

Please come forward to receive a wafer, which you can then dip into the wine (dark) or grape juice (clear). If you do not wish to take communion by intinction, you can take a wafer only.

COMMUNION MUSIC Lamb of God



Were You There, Arr. Fred Offutt; Nobody Knows the Trouble I See, Arr. Fred Offutt

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN ELW #551 The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve (next page)

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you!

Thanks be to God.

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Sunday Altar Care Helpers

Can you help **put away our communion elements after worship on Sunday?** This role takes about 15-20 minutes if we have two people working together. We are looking for a few folks who can help out 1 a month of so with this simple task. No experience necessary!

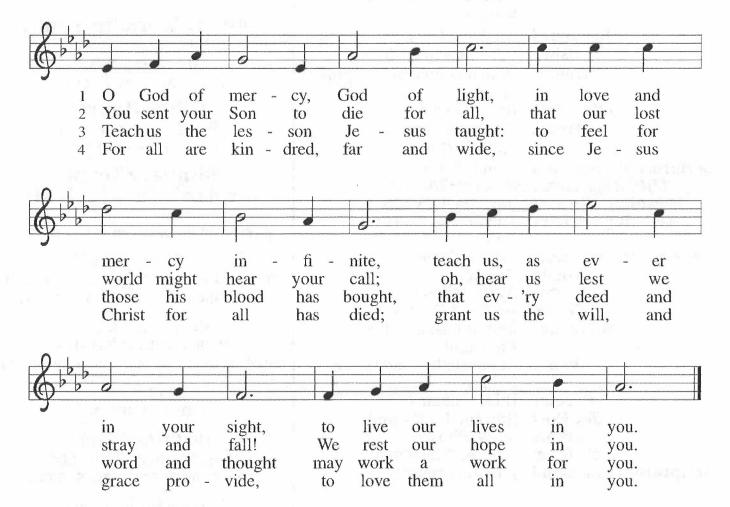
Cross-bearer

Can you help carry the cross and send us out God's love? Sign up in the back of the Sanctuary.

Sandwich Delivery

Our fearless sandwich ministry team is looking for a person or people who can pick up a regular shift helping to deliver all the freshly made sandwiches to Grace St. Paul. This is the perfect role for a person or couple who like to stay for coffee and then has an additional 15-20 minutes to run sandwiches to Grace St. Paul, then stop back here to drop off the key. Your 20-30 minutes on Sunday is part of getting food to over a 100 people the following day!

O God of Mercy, God of Light



Text: Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, alt.

Music: Just as I Am, Joseph Barnby, 1838-1896

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THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 7/13/2025

Presiding Minister Rev. Amalia Vagts
Assisting Minister Lauretta Olson
Communion Assistants Patty Sirls

Acolyte Jennifer Stand Cantor Jennifer Strand Keyboard Dr. Gréta Pásztor

Usher Bill and Ann DeVinney **Greeter** Donna Lounsbury Daphne

Myers

Coffee Host David Lester

Treats Yummy Leftovers **Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante

Scripture Background John Indermark
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Keyboard Dr. Gréta Pásztor
Trombones Kent Pflibsen, Asher

Havenhill

Usher Diane Siefkes and Ginny

Phillips

Greeter Hildi Williams

Coffee Host Ron and Nancy Rude

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Online Offering

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