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

May 25, 2025 Sixth Sunday of Easter 9:00AM



## Welcome



Your presence builds up the body of 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 congregation because of who you are. We lament and confess how the Chris-



tian 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: Mary, Tracy & Marty; Maija, and those at home and in care facilities. Our Extended Friends & Family: Family & Friends of Michael Bales (brother of Alan Bales), Geanne (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); Sally (friend 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); Leigh Ann and Ashley (friends of Kathy DeVinney); Eleanor (mother-in-law of Kris Sanchez.

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 Evangelical Lutheran Worship and Renewing Worship.

### Welcoming New Members on June 8

On Pentecost (June 8), we will receive and welcome new members. If you are interested in joining the faith community of Our Saviour's through baptism or transfer of membership, please talk with Pastor Amalia so she can share information with you about upcoming Newcomer gatherings.

### **Sunday Morning Treats**

Calling all bakers. We need treats for Sunday morning. Please sign up in the back of the sanctuary.

If you are not a baker and would still like to contribute goodies for Sunday mornings, bakery items are also appreciated.

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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 Enough arr. Carol Tornquist - Sophia Su

#### \*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTSIM

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

#### Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of ⊕ the One who was, who is, and who is to come. **Amen**.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God,

we give you thanks for the waters of baptism...

...Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

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Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

Amen.

#### \*CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
- 2 "Wor thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex alt ed thus!"
- 3 Je sus is wor thy to re-ceive hon or and pow'r di vine;
- 4 Let all cre a tion join in one to bless the sa cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one. "Wor-thy the Lamb," our lips re-ply, "for he was slain for us!" and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine. of God who sits up-on the throne, and to a - dore the lamb.

#### \*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

### FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We therefore set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.



#### Psalm 67

<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to | us and bless us; may the light of God's face | shine upon us.

<sup>2</sup> Let your way be known | upon earth, your saving health a- | mong all nations.

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise | you, O God; let all the | peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the na- | tions on earth. R

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples | praise you, O God; let all the | peoples praise you.

6 The earth has brought | forth its increase; God, our own | God, has blessed us.

<sup>7</sup> May God | give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.

### SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

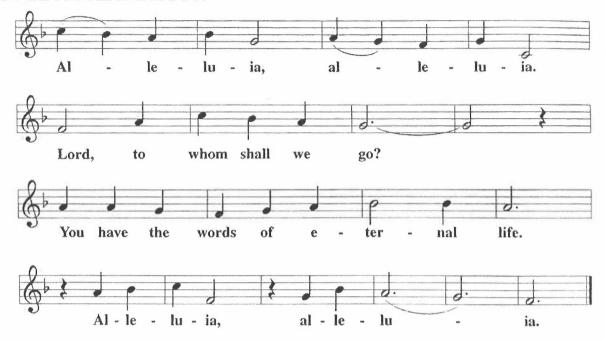
And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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#### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

#### John 14:23-29

Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot)], "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur you may believe."

The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### **SERMON**

Silence for Reflection

## HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #520 Dearest Jesus. At Your Word

# Dearest Jesus, at Your Word



Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–1684, sts. 1–3; Gesangbuch, Berlin, 1707, st. 4; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, adapt. Music: LIEBSER JESU, WIR SIND HIER, Johann R. Ahle, 1625–1673

#### 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 In the Garden arr. Gail Smith - Sophia Su

#### \*OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. **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,

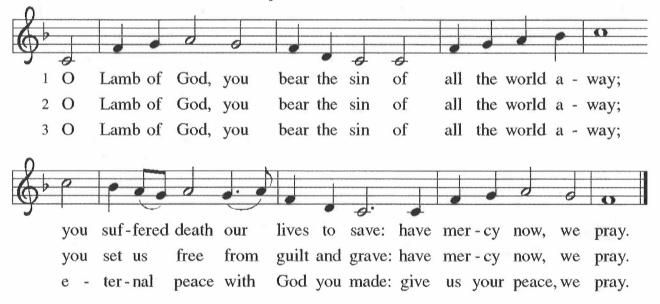
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### COMMUNION

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

This is Christ's table. You are all are welcome here, without exception. During the season of Easter (through June 8), you are encouraged to remain standing to receive communion - this recognizes the celebration and joy of Easter. Those who wish may kneel. If you prefer a blessing only, cross your arms over your heart. Gluten free wafers available by request. The wine is red; grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.

### **COMMUNION MUSIC** Lamb of God



ELW #474 Bread of Life from Heaven ELW #785 When Peace Like a River

# POST-COMMUNION BLESSING SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS \*BLESSING

# \*SENDING HYMN ELW # 815 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

## I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



Text: Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934 Music: HOUSTON, Kathleen Thomerson Text and music © 1970, 1975 Celebration

#### \*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE Hymns of Peace arr. Phillip Keveren - Sophia Su

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#### **Michael Bales Memorial**

Saturday May 31 at 1:00 PM here at Our Saviour's

# Come and See - Thursdays 12 - 1 PM, Patio Room

What is "Come & See?" This is a weekly exploration of faith and life. We are presently reading through Paul's letters to the church in Corinth (1 and 2 Corinthians). In these letters, Paul addresses many familiar themes for ancient and modern communities of faith. We examine Scripture together through conversation, context, and background. Open to anyone who is interested in learning with others. Led by Pastor Glenn and Pastor Amalia. Bring a Bible or use one of the provided Lutheran study Bibles. You are welcome to bring and eat your lunch while we meet. 12-1 pm in the Patio Room (enter through the Office or Koch Chapel). We are on 2 Corinthians 10-13.

#### THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 5/25/2025

**Presiding Minister** Rev. Amalia Vagts

**Assisting Minister** Bill DeVinney and

Rev. Glenn Schrader

**Communion Assistants** 

Bonnie Phelps and Hildi Williams

**Acolyte** Mary Lou Forier **Cantor** Aysen Milliogullari

Keyboard Sophia Su

**Usher** Davod Lester, Diane Siefkes

**Greeter** Ann DeVinney Coffee Host Kris Sanchez **Treats** Erna Rosten

**Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante

**Scripture Background** John Indermark

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 6/1/2025

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Ginny Phillips **Acolyte** Ginny Phillips Cantor **Jordan Fouts** 

Keyboard Ron Rude

Music Jordan Fouts, Jack O'Brien,

David Lester, Jeff Ladderud,

Ron Rude

**Usher** Kris Sanchez, Jeanne Gacke

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9:00 - Sanctuary Coffee following 10:30 Sunday Forum

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