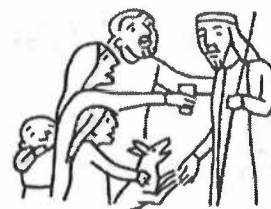


# OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

## SUNDAY WORSHIP



**September 29, 2024**

### **Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

*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 Could Sing of Your Love Forever* arr. by Carol Tornquist

*Please use this time to prepare for worship.*

### **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

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

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,

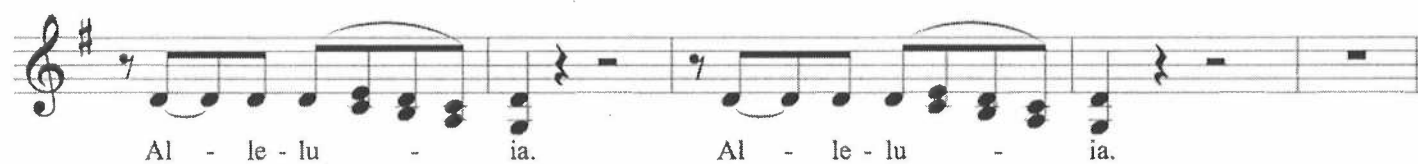
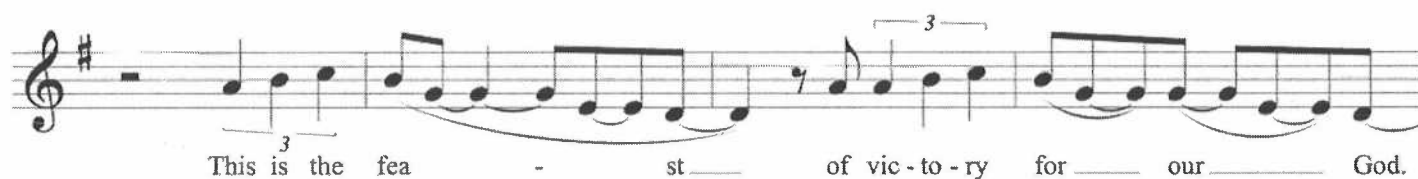
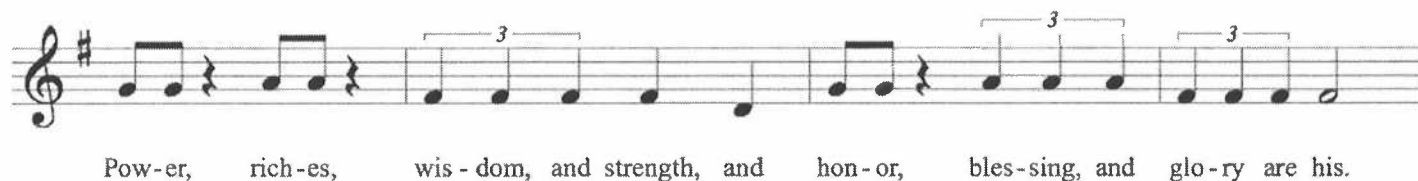
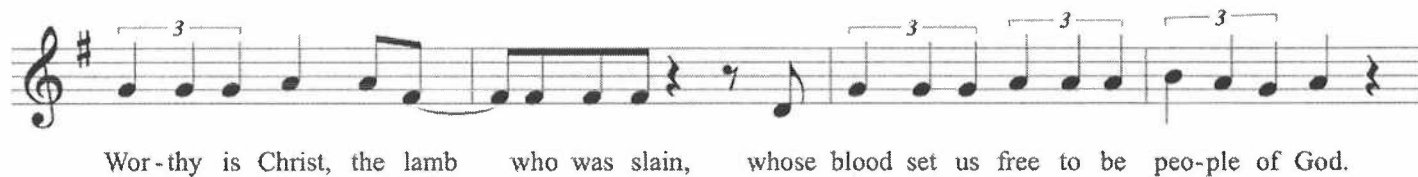
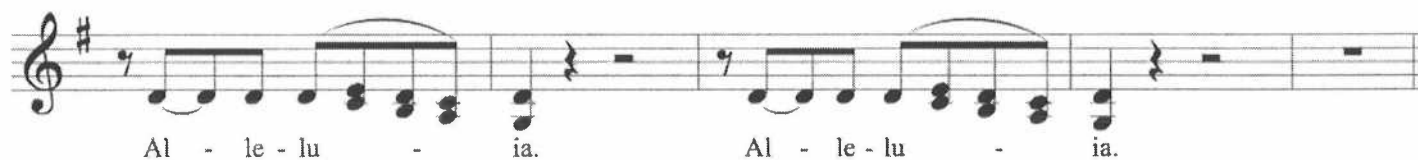
**have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Hope.**

**Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

**Amen.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN- *This is the Feast***





Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all ere - a - tion.



Bles-sing, hon-or, glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev - er, A-men. \_\_\_\_\_



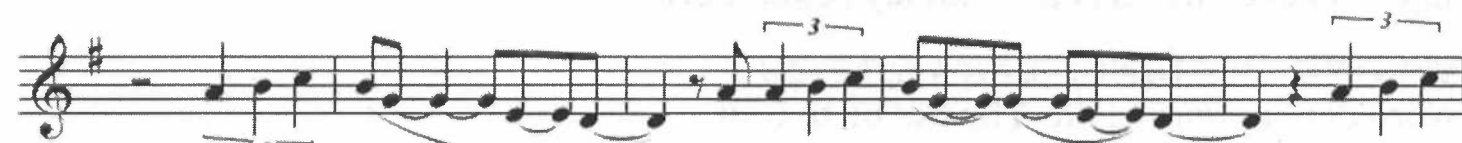
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\_\_\_\_\_ This is the feast of vic-to-ry \_\_\_\_\_ for our God. \_\_\_\_\_



For the Lamb who was slain \_\_\_\_\_ has be-gun \_\_\_\_\_ His reign, Al - le - lu - ia. \_\_\_\_\_



This is the fea - st \_\_\_\_\_ of vic-to-ry for our God. This is the



feast of vic-to-ry \_\_\_\_\_ for our God. \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le-lu - ia.



Al - le-lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia.

## \*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: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

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

### PSALM 19:7-14

*Read in parts. The congregation part is in bold.*

The teaching of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

**The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

**More to be desired are they than gold, more than fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

**Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

### SECOND READING: James 5:13-20

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

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Leader:** Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. *(to Refrain)*

#### REFRAIN: ALL

Al-le - lu - ia!      Al-le - lu - ia!      Al-le - lu - ia!

Al-le - lu - ia!      Al-le - lu - ia!      Al-le - lu - ia!

## **\*GOSPEL**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark . **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **Mark 9:38-50**

The Gospel of Jesus Christ. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** - ELW#580 - *How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord*

## **\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The assisting minister leads the prayers.*

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

...We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## **\*EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

**OFFERING** - *We Shall Walk Through the Valley of Peace* by William Appling -

Chancel Choir

We shall walk through the valley of the shadow of death.

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

And if Jesus himself shall be our leader,

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

There will be no sorrowing there.

There will be no sorrowing there.

And if Jesus himself shall be our leader,

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

## **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**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.**

...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

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

*This is Christ's table. You and all are welcome here, without exception. Please follow the ushers' direction, filling in the communion rail starting on the right side. You may stand or kneel. If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your heart. Gluten free wafers are available. The wine is red; the grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

*Lamb of God*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

*Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts with If With All Your Hearts Arr. by Anna Laura Page*  
*Shall We Gather at the River with Prelude in C Major Arr. by Anna Laura Page*

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

## SENDING PRAYER

Holy God, you give your Spirit of truth, and you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth to be Christ-centered community through faith and action in the heart of Tucson and wherever you lead us. Amen.

## \*SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

## \*BLESSING

**SENDING HYMN** - ELW#804 - *Come Down, O Love Divine*

## \*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

**Thanks be to God!**

*You are welcome to leave at any time following the dismissal. Many at Our Saviour's remain to listen to the postlude - please feel comfortable leaving or staying as you wish. You are invited to join for coffee and conversation following worship.*

**POSTLUDE** *Violin Concerto No. 2, Movement 1* by Louis Spohr -Yiwen Chen, violin

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## Welcome to Our Saviour's



Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us (Ephesians 2:14). You are welcome at Our Saviour's because of who you are. We are a congregation of longtime churchgoers, newcomers, seekers, seasonal visitors, and returners with diverse backgrounds, life experiences, and beliefs. We follow a familiar Lutheran service with piano, organ, and guest musicians. We celebrate the cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity of the Tucson region and seek to be a place of belonging for all. We welcome those who

have felt or been excluded from church spaces because of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, financial status, or any other reason. We like the sound of young people in worship, we value the experience of our elders, and all ages between. Our communion table is Christ's table, and all people are welcome, no exceptions. Your presence here builds up the body of Christ.



**Prayer Requests:** Our Saviour's Family: Tracy; Marty; Maija, Paul, Fred A., and those at home.

Our Extended Friends & Family: Richard (neighbor); The Banker Family (cousin of Mary Pflibsen); John (friend of Pastor Glenn's); Beverly (sister-in-law of Martha Neff Stum and Mary Neff); 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).

*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 most of our liturgy music is from "Behold, I Make All Things New," and was written by Benjamin Splichal Larson. Read more about Ben and this liturgy here: [benstills-ings.com](http://benstills-ings.com).

## *Sunday Forums*

### **Today: Introduction to the Reconciling in Christ Process**

In beginning our consideration to become an RIC congregation, there will be a presentation on the "What?", "Why?", and "How?" of creating intentional welcome and celebration of people from diverse backgrounds. Members of Our Saviour's RIC Core Team will be there to guide the discussion and answer your questions. All are welcome.

## *October Sunday Forums*

Starting in October, there will be a series of three forums on topics related to sustainability and environmental stewardship. These are timely as Our Saviour's renews its commitment to "care for creation" through activities that directly relate to our congregation.

### **October 6: "Sustainable Christianity"** led by Jon Dorschner of OSLC

Jon will examine the environmental catastrophe that the human species has unleashed on our planet and how we can make amends. How should we as Christians should relate to our natural world?

### **October 13: "What do you do when it Rains in Tucson? Are we Ready for**

**the Rain?"** led by Joaquin Murrieta-Saldivar of Tucson's Watershed Management Group

As the Cultural Ecologist Direct of WMG, Dr. Murrietta-Saldivar will explore the value of water in our community and the endless opportunities to have a "Natural City" that benefits nature and people.



### **Congregational Potluck!**

Today, following the Sunday Forum. Rev. Martha Neff-Stum will be cooking up a main dish and we encourage you to bring some great salads and desserts. This is a chance to welcome back those who have been away, are new, or to catch up with one another over a meal.

### **Quilting Group**

The OSLC Quilt Ministry meets the third Tuesday of each month in the Activity Building. If you are unable to join us we would love for you to stitch at home. You can pick fabric from our "stash" and make a quilt top at home. When your top is done just bring it back and the group will get it backed, batted, quilted, bound, and delivered.

### **Knit and Crochet Group**

Knit and Crochet group starts back up in September. Anyone interested in joining please text Donna Lounsbury 520-400-2514.

### **Chancel Choir 2024-2025 Season**

We welcome all singers to join the Chancel Choir! We are a loving and supportive community who appreciate music and are happy to worship together. Rehearsals will be on Thursday Nights at 6:30pm in the Activity Building. No prior choral experience is required, and you can join any time during the season. To find out more, please email Dr. Gréta Pásztor at [gpasztor@lutherantucson.org](mailto:gpasztor@lutherantucson.org).

### **Bell Choir 2024-2025 Season**

The Our Saviour's Bell Choir will begin rehearsing again on Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. This is a perfect opportunity to come check out this happy group and help us create joyous, uplifting music. We welcome anyone who wants to ring and is willing to learn. For more info contact Kathie ([kmmmiller@hotmail.com](mailto:kmmmiller@hotmail.com)) or any current ringer.

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### **Other Ways to Grow Your Faith:**

*Weekly events led by community and Our Saviour's members - open to anyone. All events in Activity Building.*

Mindfulness Meditation (Mondays, 1:30 - 2:30 PM); Men's Bible Study (Tuesdays, 7:00 AM); Spanish Class (Tuesdays, 6:30 PM); Lay Shared Bible Study (Wednesdays, 10:30 AM. Contact Lauretta Olson at [landjo@cox.net](mailto:landjo@cox.net)).

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### **Come & See:**

Are you looking for an opportunity to explore your life of faith? Have you been seeking new ways of connecting with the Bible and other texts that are a part of our traditions and faith practices? Are there questions that you would like to discuss with others who also feel a renewed call to discipleship?

Join others at Our Saviour's in responding to this new calling of the Holy Spirit. Beginning in October, we'll meet in the Patio Room at noon for an hour, and you are free to bring your lunch. Also, be sure to remember your Bibles, but we will also have a brand-new set of Lutheran Study Bibles available for use. Led by Pastor Glenn and Pastor Amalia.

BEGINS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3. 12 - 1 PM. You are welcome.

**THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 9/29/2024**

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Glenn Schrader
<b>Preaching Minister</b>	Rev. Amalia Vagts
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Melanie Bowman
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Bonnie Phelps and Patty Sirls
<b>Acolyte</b>	Melanie Bowman
<b>Cantor</b>	Aysen Milliogullari
<b>Piano</b>	Gréta Pásztor
<b>Music</b>	Chancel Choir and Yiwen Chen
<b>Usher</b>	Ted Adams and Diane Siefkes
<b>Greeter</b>	John and Judy Indermark
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Donna and Fred Hudson
<b>Treats</b>	Mary Pflibsen
<b>Tech Team</b>	Pflibsen/Bustamante
<b>Scripture Background</b>	John Indermark

**THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 10/6/2024**

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Rev. Amalia Vagts
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Rev. Glenn Schrader and Jennifer Strand
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Kathy DeVlinney and Linda Zizka
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jennifer Strand
<b>Cantor</b>	Aysen Milliogullari
<b>Piano</b>	Ron Rude
<b>Music</b>	Chancel Band
<b>Usher</b>	Hildi Williams and Pam Hardman
<b>Greeter</b>	Gloria Schmidt
<b>Coffee Host</b>	Nancy and Ron Rude
<b>Treats</b>	Melissa Wyatt/Bales
<b>Tech Team</b>	Pflibsen/Bustamante
<b>Scripture Background</b>	John Indermark

**Online Offering**

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

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