

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

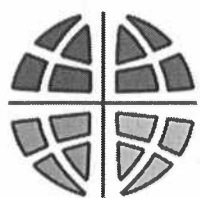
Sunday Worship

July 27, 2025

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



Welcome



ELCA

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 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.



RECONCILING IN CHRIST

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.

Prayer Requests: Melanie, 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.

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. 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.

Overview of today's scripture

This week's readings in our series on the prophets contrast Jesus' familiar teaching on prayer with God's jarring ask of Hosea. A disciple of Jesus seeks a lesson on prayer. Christ's response gives form and basis for our prayers to this day. In contrast, God's words to Hosea may strike an unfamiliar, unfamiliar, and troubling chord in our ears and faith.

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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 *Thy Holy Wings* Arr. Mark Sedio

***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

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



Refrain
freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



Refrain
glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



Refrain
God; to make all things new.

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***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 Luke 11:1-13

Our Gospel reading is from the eleventh chapter of Luke.

Some of Jesus' disciples had been disciples of John the Baptizer. So it is not surprising in our reading that one disciple asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, as John had earlier done. We are familiar with the prayer Jesus then taught. We may be less familiar with the parable and other words on prayer that follow in our reading.

¹ [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."² So he said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

⁵ And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷ And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'

⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹ "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? ¹³ If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Hosea 1:2-10

Our sermon text is from the Old Testament book of the prophet Hosea.

Prophets are often tagged as disrupters. The disruption may be of institutions, whether religious or political. The disruption may be of how individuals and communities see their standing before God. Hosea is such a disrupter. But as this book opens with our reading, the primary disrupter is God. For the imagery of God's call to Hosea is scandalous. Literally.

² When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of prostitution and have children of prostitution, for the land commits great prostitution by forsaking the LORD." ³ So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

⁴ And the LORD said to him, "Name him Jezreel, for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. ⁵ On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the Valley of Jezreel."

⁶ She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the LORD said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. ⁷ But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God; I will not save them by bow or by sword or by war or by horses or by horsemen."

⁸ When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. ⁹ Then the LORD said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people, and I am not your God."

¹⁰ Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered, and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Silence for Reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY** ELW #605 *Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive*

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive



- 1 "For - give our sins as we for - give," you taught us, Lord, to pray;
- 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the un - for - giv - ing heart
- 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the truth we dim - ly knew:
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls and bid re - sent - ment cease;



but you a - lone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
how tri - fling oth - ers' debts to us; how great our debt to you!
then, by your mer - cy rec - on - ciled, our lives will spread your peace.

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Music: DETROIT, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The assisting minister leads the prayers.

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

...Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*EXCHANGE OF PEACE

OFFERING *The Lord's Prayer* Arr. Ron and Linda Sprunger

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good. 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.**

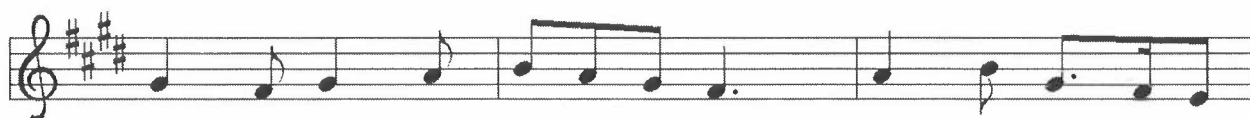
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

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**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



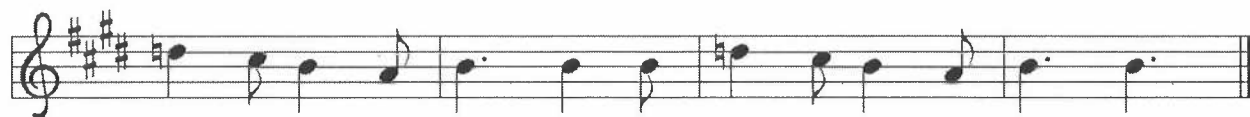
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

...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

The feast of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

This is Christ's table. You and all are welcome, without exception. 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*

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It includes a solo line and several congregational parts. The lyrics are as follows:

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
you break the chains of ha - tred and
you are the way of jus - tice and
you are the way of mer - cy and

Congregation:
world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
fear:
peace:
love.

Final Stanza
Congregation or Assistant:
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

Congregation:
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,
grant us peace, grant us peace.

It Is Well with My Soul, Arr. Calvin Taylor; *I Will Early Seek the Savior*, Arr. Calvin Taylor

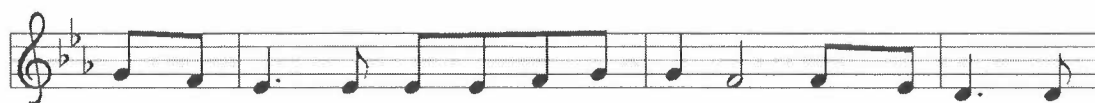
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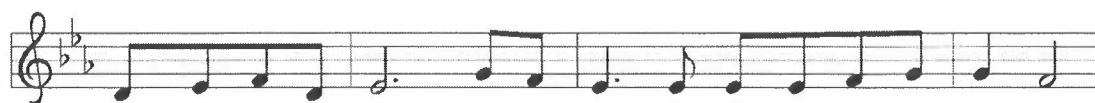
*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN ELW #790 *Day by Day*

Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer-cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



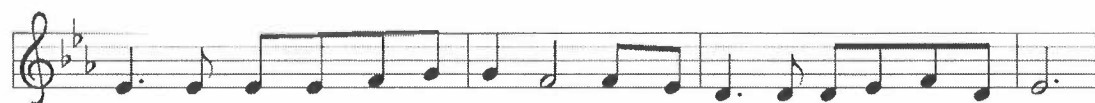
to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be-yond all
o'er the paths I strug-gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur-dens of my quest; Sav-ior,
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur-ing grace. Sav-ior,
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav-ior,



lead me to the home I trea-sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
help me bear life's pain and sor-row till in glo - ry I be-hold your face.
with your pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you!

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!

Pray without Ceasing - on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, Our Saviour's hosts a community prayer group in our Chapel at 5:30. Open to anyone, this thirty minute service is a time of song, silence, and a chance to share prayers of lament and prayers for hope. The next one is **August 4**.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

You will find (or can create) many ways to get to know others through small group ministry at Our Saviour's. Many of these groups take a pause during the summer because of vacation and travel schedules. This also provides the chance for informal book groups, movie and game nights, public witness, and other great ideas you might have to connect people here or out in the community. **From September to May** we offer vocal and bell choir and a variety of faith formation groups on Sunday mornings and throughout the week. Our young people connect with other Lutheran teens in Tucson through Super Youth. Pastor Mateo and Annette Chavez offer weekly Spanish classes for all levels. **Throughout the year**, you can connect with quilting, prayer shawl groups, our Caring Ministry team that reaches out to those at home or in care centers, and lay-led Bible and prayer groups. Talk with other members or the pastors if you'd like to learn more about these groups.

Do you get the eNews?

Every Monday, we send out a eNewsletter with a key events, readings, and prayers for the week. You can also find out what's happening on the Events Page on our website (www.lutherantucson.org). Fill out a green sheet or email the church office (oslc@lutherantucson.org) to sign up.

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 7/27/2025

Presiding Minister	Rev. Amalia Vagts
Assisting Minister	John Indermark, Rev Glenn Schrader
Communion Assistants	Ginny Phillips
Acolyte	Ginny Phillips
Cantor	Bill DeVinney
Keyboard	Dr. Gréta Pásztor
Usher	Judy Indermark, Jennifer Strand
Greeter	Angie Grandison
Cross Bearer	Sharon Reinbott
Coffee Host	David Lester
Treats	Mary Havenhill
Tech Team	Pflibsen/Bustamante
Scripture Background	John Indermark

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 8/3/2025

Presiding Minister	Rev Glenn Schrader
Assisting Minister	Jennifer Strand and Rev. Amalia Vagts
Communion Assistants	Lauretta Olson
Acolyte	Jenifer Strand
Cantor	Aysen Milliogullari
Keyboard	Betsy Dunlap
Usher	Diane Siefkes, Patty Sirls
Greeter	Gloria Schmidt
Cross Bearer	Asher Havenhill
Coffee Host	Catalina Rankin
Treats	Nancy Rude
Tech Team	Pflibsen/Bustamante
Scripture Background	John Indermark

Online Offering

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Sunday Worship Times

9:00 - Sanctuary

Coffee following

10:30 Sunday Forum

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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