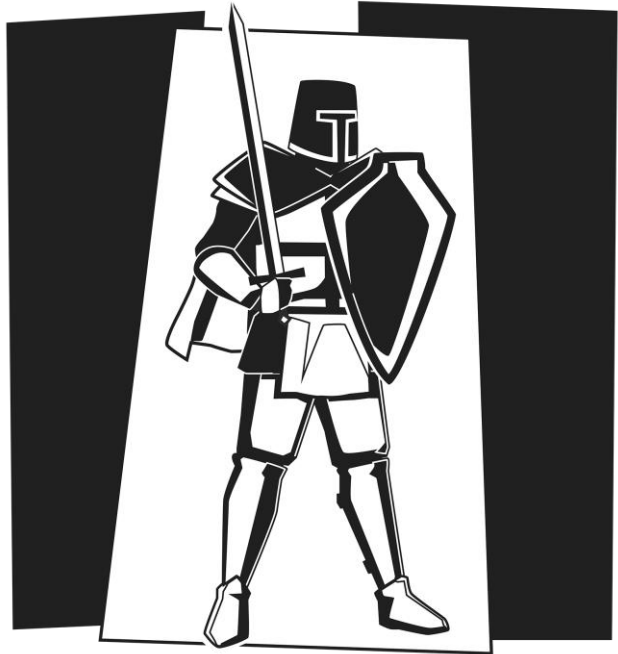


**Our mission
is to teach,
love,
and connect...
teach all ages
about Jesus,
love one another
as God loves us,
and connect
with others
in a hurting world.**



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We warmly welcome you in the name of Jesus!

We are always glad to have you worship with us.

*If you do not have a regular church home,
we invite you to make our church home yours.*

- † Our worship services are on Sunday mornings at 8:30 and 11:00 AM. We also invite and encourage you to join us in Sunday School and Bible Study at 9:45 AM.
- † Assisted hearing devices, children's bulletins, and large print service folders are available; please ask an usher for one.
- † While we encourage children to be present in worship, the upstairs cry room opposite the elevator is available for you.
- † Our worship services can now be viewed on the church's Facebook page (live or after the service), as well as on our YouTube channel. *The Lutheran Hour* can be heard on Sundays at 9:00 AM at KAWZ (102.7FM).

Prayer before worship:

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

AS WE GATHER The Holy Gospel for today is about why the dietary laws never saved anyone and is a warning about what we think or say. The Old Testament Reading provides a warning against not passing on the teachings to the next generation. The Good News of the Gospel is most clearly found in the Epistle, which clearly tells us to rely on the armor God provides, not ourselves, so that we can stand up in this evil age. That we shall do in song and speech today, asking God's help for the coming week.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00 AM, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

PRESERVICE MUSIC

RINGING OF BELL

OPENING SONG

“This Is Our God”

by R. Morgan

Praise Team: Your grace is enough, more than I need.
At Your word I will believe.
I wait for You, draw near again,
Let Your Spirit make me new.

And I will fall at Your feet,
I will fall at Your feet. And I will worship You here.

**ALL: Your presence in me, Jesus light the way
By the power of Your Word.
I am restored, I am redeemed,
By Your Spirit I am free**

**Chorus 1: And I will fall at Your feet, I will fall at Your feet.
And I will worship You here.**

**Chorus 2: Freely You gave it all for us,
Surrendered Your life upon that cross.
Great is the love poured out for all,
This is our God.
Lifted on high from death to life,
Forever our God is glorified.
Servant and King rescued the world.
This is our God.**

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WELCOME

Please stand.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Psalm 51:2, 7, 10–12

Pastor: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

People: **We confess, O Lord, that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

Pastor: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

People: **Our own attempts at change will leave the stain of our previous sins.**

Pastor: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

People: **Lord our God, You are our only hope. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we follow Your guidance alone.**

Pastor: Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

People: **We come to You, confident of Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Pastor: In the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

People: **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

We share the peace of Christ with those around us. Remain standing for the Song of Praise.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Whom Shall I Fear”

by C. Tomlin, E. Cash, & S. Cash

You hear me when I call. You are my morning song.

Though darkness fills the night, it cannot hide the light.

Whom shall I fear?

You crush the enemy underneath my feet.

You are my sword and shield, though troubles linger still.

Whom shall I fear?

Chorus I know Who goes before me, I know Who stands behind:
The God of angel armies is always by my side!
The One who reigns forever, He is a friend of mine.
The God of angel armies is always by my side!

My strength is in Your name, for You alone can save.
You will deliver me. Yours is the victory.
Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear? *Chorus*

Bridge And nothing formed against me shall stand!
You hold the whole world in Your hands.
I'm holding on to Your promises;
You are faithful, You are faithful. *Repeat*

Chorus twice.

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Please be seated.

Come and hear the Good News!

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9

Do not forget all that God has done; teach your children.

Reader: “Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. . . .

Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 6:10–20

Be certain about teachings and put on the armor of God.

Reader: Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand in reverence to the Gospel.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:14–23

People are not defiled by what they eat but by what comes out of their hearts and mouths.

Pastor: Hear now the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

Pastor: [Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

SONG

“Living Hope”

B. Johnson & P. Wickham

**How great the chasm that lay between us.
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night.
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.**

**Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken; I am forgiven.
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.**

Chorus **Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!**
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!
You have broken every chain.
There's salvation in Your name.
Jesus Christ, my living hope. Repeat

Then came the morning that sealed the promise,
Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me. Repeat

Jesus Yours is the victory! Whoa—

Chorus twice

Ending **Jesus Christ my living hope,**
O God, You are my living hope.

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SERMON

“Continue”

Ephesians 6:10-20

We respond to God's Word.

WE PRAISE THE LORD WITH OUR OFFERINGS *Tithes and offerings are collected by the ushers. We encourage you to sign and pass the Friendship Book at this time. All communicants are invited to read and prayerfully consider the following.*

We believe that...

- † *Holy Communion is a Sacrament since it was instituted by Christ Himself.*
- † *We are truly worthy and well prepared to partake of Holy Communion when we repent of our sins and have faith in these words, “Given and shed for you for the remission of sins.”*
- † *We receive the bread and wine and the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ when, as repentant, true believers we partake of Holy Communion.*

Our Savior Lutheran Church practices close communion.

What does this mean?

Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are welcome to commune with us. If you are not a confirmed member of our church or one of our sister congregations, we encourage you to speak to the pastor about preparing to participate in communion at Our Savior.

- † *Children and those not communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing (indicated by folded hands), or to remain seated for individual prayer. When the wine is offered, communicants have the choice of an individual cup or the common cup. Individual cups containing DARK WINE are alcohol-free for those with medical need only, please.*

OFFERTORY

Please stand.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

After each petition:

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord,

People: Lord, have mercy.

The prayers conclude:

Pastor: For ourselves and all who recognize that by ourselves in our fallen condition, “what comes out of a person is what defiles him,” that God would strengthen our faith to rely on His grace and mercy alone that He may use us and the gifts He has given us, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew right spirits within us. We pray this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE AND SANCTUS

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

People: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!”

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have given us Your only-begotten

Son. With joy we received the salvation accomplished for us by His cross-borne sacrifice on our behalf. By His death He paid for all our sins, and by His rising has assured us of a place with You for eternity. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood according to His own testament. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF CONSECRATION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PEACE and AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen. Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

DISTRIBUTION

Please be seated. If you are communing, please follow the directions of the ushers.

SONG**“The Battle Belongs to the Lord”**

by J. Owens-Collins

In heavenly armor we'll enter the land,
 The battle belongs to the Lord!
 No weapon that's fashioned against us will stand,
 The battle belongs to the Lord!

Chorus: And we sing glory, honor, power and strength to the Lord.
 We sing glory, honor, power and strength to the Lord.

When the power of darkness comes in like a flood,
 The battle belongs to the Lord!
 He's raised up a standard, the pow'r of His blood.
 The battle belongs to the Lord! *Chorus*

When your enemy presses in hard do not fear.
 The battle belongs to the Lord!
 Take courage, my friend, your redemption is near.
 The battle belongs to the Lord! *Chorus*

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HYMN**“O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace”****LSB 693**

1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, grant us grace That we our Lord and Sav - ior
 2 Help us that we Thy sav - ing Word In faith - ful hearts may trea - sure;
 3 And when our earth - ly race is run, Death's bit - ter hour im - pend - ing,



In faith and fer - vent love em - brace And tru - ly serve Him ev - er.
 Let e'er that Bread of Life af - ford New grace in rich - est mea - sure.
 Then may Thy work in us be - gun Con - tin - ue till life's end - ing,



The hour of death can - not bring loss When we are shel - tered
 O make us die to ev - 'ry sin, Each day cre - ate new
 Un - til we glad - ly may com - mend Our souls in - to our



by the cross That can - celed our trans - gres - sions.
 life with - in, That fruits of faith may flour - ish.
 Sav - ior's hand, The crown of life ob - tain - ing.

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Please stand.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: For all the gifts that flow from this Sacrament, we give You thanks, gracious God. Grant us humble faith so that our thoughts, words, and deeds reflect the mercy You have shown us this day. We pray in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance on you and ☩ give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

“The Blessing” by C. Brown, C. Carnes, K. Jobe, S. Furtick

Verse **The Lord bless you and keep you,
Make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. Repeat**

Chorus **Amen, Amen, Amen.
Repeat Verse and Chorus**

Bridge **May his favor be upon you, and a thousand generations,
And your family, and your children, and their children, and their children.
Repeat**

**May his presence go before you, and behind you and beside you,
All around you and within you. He is with you, He is with you. Repeat**

**In the morning, in the evening,
In your coming and your going,
In your weeping and rejoicing,
He is for you. He is for you.
He is for you. He is for you.**

Chorus **Amen, Amen, Amen.**

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Readings for next week, 9/8:

Isaiah 35:4–7a

Psalm 146

James 2:1–10, 14–18

Mark 7:24–37