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:

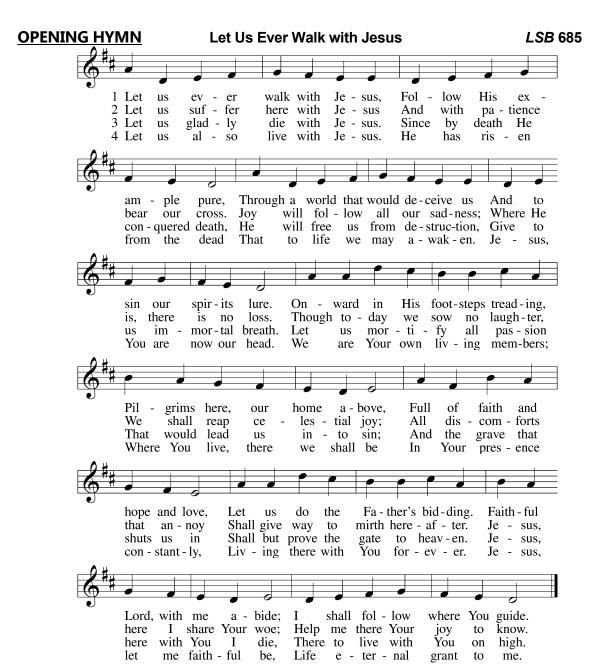
O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His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

AS WE GATHER In His earthly life, Jesus chose to be a "peripatetic" teacher. Rather than staying in one place and having His learners come to Him, He went from place to place with disciples or followers who listened to the truths He taught as they went along. Walking with Jesus was the greatest of blessings! Whether we hear the Gospel teachings of our Lord in the same setting week by week and year by year or find ourselves in a variety of worship locations and settings, we, too, find blessing in hearing Him as did His first followers. The hymn writer Sigismund von Birken invites us simply: "Let us ever walk with Jesus" (LSB 685:1). May we be blessed in our walking and in our listening today!

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00 AM, SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

PRESERVICE MUSIC RINGING OF BELL



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WELCOME

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

Pastor: Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together!

People: I sought the Lord, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

People: The Lord redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him

will be condemned.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Pastor: Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious

forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: We now confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and

before one another, that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have given in to anxiety and have not always put our trust in God and His gracious provision for our lives. We have not always been good stewards of the many gifts that God graciously gives us and have focused on keeping things for ourselves rather than sharing them with others. We have missed opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around us and have not sought out the best for the people of our family circles, our neighborhoods, and our communities. We pray our God to have mercy on us, to forgive us all our sins, to lead us into lives of growing faith and increasing charity, and finally to bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Pastor: God is faithful and keeps His promises of full pardon for the sake of His Son, Jesus

Christ, granting mercy and forgiveness for those who repent and turn to Him. As an ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name

of the Father and of the

■ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

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 "Christ Be Magnified" by C. Carnes, C. Asbury, E. Hulse

Were creation suddenly articulate
With a thousand tongues to lift one cry,
Then from north to south and east to west,

We'd hear, "Christ be magnified!"

Were the whole earth echoing His eminence, His name would burst from sea and sky. From rivers to the mountain tops, We'd hear, "Christ be magnified!"

Chorus

O Christ be magnified! Let His praise arise. Christ be magnified in me. O Christ be magnified! From the altar of my life, Christ be magnified in me.

When ev'ry creature finds its inmost melody And ev'ry human heart its native cry, O, then in one enraptured hymn of praise, We'll sing, "Christ be magnified!" *Chorus*

Bridge

I won't bow to idols. I'll stand strong and worship You. And if it puts me in the fire, I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too. I won't be formed by feelings. I hold fast to what is true. If the cross brings transformation, Then I'll be crucified with You. 'Cause death is just the doorway Into resurrection life. If I join You in Your suff'rings, Then I'll join You when You rise. And when You return in glory With all the angels and the saints, My heart will still be singing. My song will be the same:

Chorus twice.

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Please be seated.

COME AND HEAR THE GOOD NEWS!

OLD TESTAMENT READING God makes a special promise to Abraham. Genesis 15:1-6

Reader:

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING The examples of faith exhibited by some of God's people. **Hebrews 11:1–16**

Reader:

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation. By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand in reverence to the Gospel.

HOLY GOSPELJesus calls His disciples to make serving Him the priority.

Luke 12:22–40

Pastor: Hear now the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

Pastor:

[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also

"Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming,

he would not have left his house to be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son

of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

<u>SONG</u>

"Have No Fear, Little Flock"

by H. W. Zimmermann

- 1 Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock, For the Father has chosen To give you the Kingdom; Have no fear, little flock!
- 2 Have good cheer, little flock; Have good cheer, little flock, For the Father will keep you In His love forever; Have good cheer, little flock!
- 3 Praise the Lord high above; Praise the Lord high above, For He stoops down to heal you, Uplift and restore you; Praise the Lord high above!
- 4 Thankful hearts raise to God; Thankful hearts raise to God, For He stays close beside you, In all things works with you; Thankful hearts raise to God!

SERMON

"Unstuck from Anxiety"

Luke 12:32

DEDICATION OF OSLS FACULTY AND STAFF

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 <u>and</u> 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: Lord, in Your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Pastor: We trust, O Lord, in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through Jesus Christ, our

Lord.

People: Amen.

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 and praise to You, Lord our God. Holy are You and great is the majesty of Your glory. You did so love the world that You sent Your only Son to be our Redeemer. By His sacrificial life, He has brought us salvation and has shown us the path to life eternal. Pour upon us now the gift of the Holy Spirit that we may receive the body and blood of our Lord with true devotion. Grant us a foretaste of the feast to come, heavenly Father, that we may with increased faith joyfully await a blessed eternity in Your glorious presence. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore joining the six-winged seraphim Isaiah saw, 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, O Lord of heaven and earth. We give thanks to You for having sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, to be our Redeemer, saving us from the power of sin, death, and the devil. Invited by Your grace and supported by Your love, we come to Your Table with thanksgiving and praise. Grant that we with true faith and trust in Your words of promise receive the bread and wine—that is, the very body and blood of Christ—as a guarantee of the salvation that He purchased for us through His innocent suffering and death on the cross. Receive our prayers and praises and grant us Your abiding peace. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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 INSTITUTION

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 Φ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in

remembrance of Me."

PEACE

SONG

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

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI John 1:29

Pastor: We rejoice, Lord Jesus, that You did not remain on Your heavenly throne but entered

"By Faith"

Your creation for our salvation. With John the Baptist we give thanks and say,

People: "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.

By faith we see the hand of God In the light of creation's grand design, In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts Of a holy city built by God's own hand,

A place where peace and justice reign.

Chorus We will stand as children of the promise;

We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. Till the race is finished and the work is done,

We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day

When the longed-for Messiah would appear

With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death,

And rise triumphant from the grave.

by K. Getty, K. Getty, & S. Townend

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth. Chorus

By faith this mountain shall be moved And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail, For we know in Christ all things are possible

For all who call upon His name. Chorus

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SONG

"Come as You Are"

by B. Helming

Come as you are, come and drink from the living water That flowed from His hands, flowed from His side.

Come as you are, come and bathe in the healing water, Cleansing from sin, releasing new life.

Draw near to Him and He'll draw near to you.

He's been waiting for you to call on His name, so come,

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Please stand

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Grant that Your Son's body and blood, O Lord, which You have given us to eat and to

drink, may abide in us; and let no stain of sin remain in us, whom this pure and Holy Sacrament has refreshed; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and

reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

People: Amen.

<u>BENEDICAMUS</u>

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord. [Psalm 103:1]

People: Thanks be to God.

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 "God Is Good (All the Time)" by D. Moen & P. Overstreet

Refrain: God is good all the time;

He put a song of praise in this heart of mine.

God is good all the time;

Through the darkest night, His light will shine. God is good, God is good all the time.

Leader: If you're walkin' through the valley,

and there are shadows all around; Do not fear, He will guide you, He will keep you safe and sound.

'Cause He has promised to never leave you

nor forsake you, and His Word is true. *All on Refrain*

We were sinners, so unworthy, still for us He chose to die, Filled us with His Holy Spirit, now we can stand and testify That His love is everlasting

and His mercies – they will never end. Refrain

Bridge: Though I may not understand

all the plans you have for me;

My life is in Your hands,

and through the eyes of faith, I can clearly see.

Refrain: God is good all the time;

He put a song of praise in this heart of mine.

God is good all the time;

Through the darkest night, His light will shine.

God is good, He's so good, God is good, He's so good,

God is good, He's so good all the time.

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Readings for next Sunday, 8/17: Jeremiah 23:16–29 Psalm 119:81–88 Hebrews 11:17—12:3 Luke 12:49–56