

**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.**

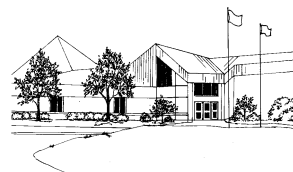
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00 AM, SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026



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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 After a meal, does your family pray Psalm 136:1, "Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever"? That short prayer is not just a reminder to say "thank You" to God, who provides daily bread for our bodies. It also repeats why God provides, specifically, because of "His steadfast love." In fact, if you pray that entire psalm, it lists the many ways God provides for all our needs of body and soul. The rich Hebrew word translated "steadfast love" reflects not only God's general attitude but also His mighty acts and deeds to provide for His people's entire lives and well-being. Jesus' provision of food for the people in the wilderness (Matthew 14) as well as "our daily bread" call to the mind of faith His ultimate gift of love, the forgiveness of our sins. As the prophet Isaiah speaks of the "rich food" God provides "that your soul may live" (Isaiah 55:2-3), so the humble Meal of bread and wine in the Sacrament of the Altar causes us to remember the greatest work of our Lord's steadfast love on the cross. At the altar, we receive the very substance of God's steadfast love that enlivens and strengthens a steadfast faith that will endure until we are welcomed to the great and promised heavenly feast of eternal life.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

RINGING OF BELL

OPENING HYMN

“How Can I Thank You, Lord”

LSB 703

Please stand for the final Trinitarian verse. △



1 How can I thank You, Lord, For all Your lov - ing - kind - ness,
2 It is Your work a - lone That I am now con - vert - ed;
3 Lord, You have raised me up To joy and ex - ul - ta - tion
4 Grant that Your Spir - it's help To me be al - ways giv - en
△ 5 O Fa - ther, God of love, Now hear my sup - pli - ca - tion;



That You have pa - tient - ly Borne with me in my blind - ness!
O'er Sa - tan's work in me You have Your pow'r as - sert - ed.
And clear - ly shown the way That leads me to sal - va - tion.
Lest I should fall a - gain And lose the way to heav - en.
O Sav - ior, Son of God, Ac - cept my ad - o - ra - tion;



When dead in man - y sins And tres - pass - es I lay,
Your mer - cy and Your grace That rise a - fresh each morn
My sins are washed a - way; For this I thank You, Lord.
Grant that He give me strength In my in - fir - mi - ty;
O Ho - ly Spir - it, be My ev - er faith - ful guide



I kin - dled, ho - ly God, Your an - ger ev - 'ry day.
Have turned my ston - y heart In - to a heart new - born.
Now with my heart and soul All e - vil I ab - hor.
May He re - new my heart To serve You will - ing - ly.
That I may serve You here And there with You a - bide.

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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 go to the altar of God,

People: **to God my exceeding joy.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

People: **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Isaiah 55:3, 6; Psalm 145:18

Pastor: Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near. The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth. Incline your ear, and come to Me; hear, that your soul may live.

People: **Hear my prayer, O Lord. I confess to almighty God all my sins of thought, of speech, of actions, and of inaction to help others in need. By Your steadfast love and mercy, forgive me and renew a right spirit in me that gives praise to You for Your faithfulness and that relies all the more on You for my salvation and for help in every need.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

[John 20:19-23]

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

“You Alone Can Rescue”

by J. Myrin & M. Redman

Who O Lord could save themselves,
Their own soul could heal?
Our shame was deeper than the sea.
Your grace is deeper still. *repeat*

Chorus 1 And You alone can rescue,
You alone can save.
You alone can lift us from the grave.
You came down to find us, led us out of death.
To You alone belongs the highest praise.

You, O Lord, have made a way.
The great divide You healed.
For when our hearts were far away,
Your love went further still.
Yes, Your love goes further still.

Chorus 2 And You alone can rescue,
You alone can save.
You alone can lift us from the grave.
You came down to find us, led us out of death.

**To You alone belongs the highest praise.
To You alone belongs the highest praise.**

Bridge **We lift up our eyes, Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life.
We lift up our eyes, Lift up our eyes
You're the giver of life. Repeat 4X**

Repeat Chorus 2

To You alone.

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Please be seated.

COME AND HEAR THE GOOD NEWS!

OLD TESTAMENT READING *The compassion of the Lord.*

Isaiah 55:1–5

Reader: "Come, everyone who thirsts,
 come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
 come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
 without money and without price.
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
 and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
 and delight yourselves in rich food.
Incline your ear, and come to me;
 hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
 my steadfast, sure love for David.
Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
 a leader and commander for the peoples.
Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
 and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
 for he has glorified you."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 136:1–9

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: Give thanks to the God of gods,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Leader: to Him who alone does great wonders,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Leader: to Him who by understanding made the heavens,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Leader: to Him who spread out the earth above the waters,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Leader: to Him who made the great lights,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Leader: the sun to rule over the day,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever;
Leader: the moon and stars to rule over the night,
People: for His steadfast love endures forever.

EPISTLE READING

Not all Israel are Israel.

Romans 9:1–13

Reader: I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return and Sarah shall have a son.” And not only so, but also when Rebecca had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of his call— she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand in reverence to the Gospel.

HOLY GOSPEL

Jesus' compassion on a great crowd.

Matthew 14:13–21

Pastor: Hear now the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

Pastor: Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

“Hungry (Falling on My Knees)”

by K. Scott

Hungry, I come to You,
For I know You satisfy.
I am empty, but I know
Your love does not run dry.
And so I wait for You.
So I wait for You.

Chorus: I'm falling on my knees,
Offering all of me.
Jesus, You're all this heart is living for.

Broken, I run to You,
For Your arms are open wide;
I am weary,
But I know Your touch
Restores my life.
And so I wait for You.
So I wait for You. *Chorus*

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SERMON

Matthew 14:13–21

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

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of heaven,

People: for His steadfast love endures forever.

After each petition:

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Your steadfast love endures forever. 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

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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing,

SANCTUS

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

from The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941

setting : David von Kampen

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heav’n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He who cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth! Our hearts delight in You! Your words give us joy, assuring us of the victory of the cross, where Your Son conquered both sin and death. Gathered in the name of Jesus, we remember Your steadfast love, new to us every morning! Bowing our heads and our hearts before You, we honor and praise You, O Lord, rejoicing in the goodness You now prepare our hearts to receive. 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.

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

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

“Stronger”

by B. Fielding & R. Morgan

**There is Love that came for us,
Humbled to a sinners cross.
You broke my shame and sinfulness.
You rose again victorious.**

**Faithfulness none can deny
Through the storm and through the fire.
There is truth that sets me free:
Jesus Christ, who lives in me.**

**Chorus: You are stronger. You are stronger.
Sin is broken, You have saved me.
It is written, “Christ is risen.”
Jesus, You are Lord of all.**

**No beginning and no end.
You're my hope and my defense.
You came to seek and save the lost.
You paid it all upon the cross. *Chorus***

**Bridge: So let Your Name be lifted higher,
Be lifted higher, Be lifted higher.
So let Your Name be lifted higher,
Be lifted higher, Be lifted higher. *Repeat***

Chorus twice.

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Please stand.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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

“You Never Let Go”

by M. & B. Redman

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
Your perfect love is casting out fear,
And even when I’m caught in the middle of the storms of this life,
I won’t turn back, I know You are near.
And I will fear no evil, for my God is with me,
And if my God is with me, whom then shall I fear?
Whom then shall I fear?

Chorus: Oh no, You never let go, through the calm and through the storm.
Oh no, You never let go, in every high and every low.
Oh no, You never let go, Lord, You never let go of me.

And I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on,
A glorious light beyond all compare,
And there will be an end to these troubles, but until that day comes,
We’ll live to know You here on the earth.
And I will fear no evil, for my God is with me,
And if my God is with me, whom then shall I fear?
Whom then shall I fear? *Chorus*

Yes, I can see a light that is coming for the heart that holds on,
And there will be an end to these troubles,
But until that day comes,
Still I will praise You, still I will praise You. *Repeat*

Chorus

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Readings for next week, 8/9:
Job 38:4–18, Psalm 18:1–6,
Romans 10:5–17, Matthew 14:22–33
