

## Our Saviour Lutheran Church

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#### FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## Order of Worship

The order of worship is set out in this bulletin. The congregation responds in parts marked in bold. Hymns are taken from our hymnal, the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW).

WE GATHER

## **Centering Music**

The ringing of the Morningstar

#### **Prelude**

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

You free us to love others,

but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,

but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.

You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,

but 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.

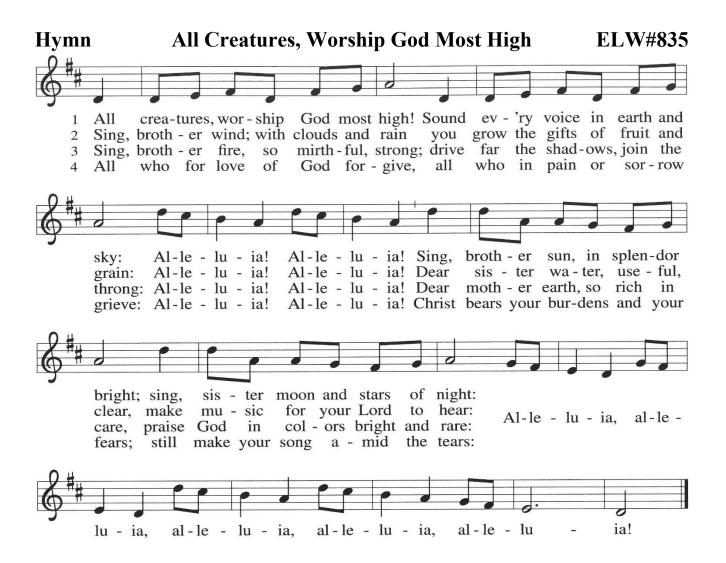
You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith.

In the cross of + Christ,

and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.



## **Apostolic Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all

And also with you.

#### Gloria:



## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

O Lord God, your mercy delights us, and the world longs for your loving care. Hear the cries of everyone in need, and turn our hearts to love our neighbors with the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **First Lesson**

**Deuteronomy 30:9-14** 

<sup>9</sup> The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, <sup>10</sup> when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

<sup>11</sup> "Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. <sup>12</sup> It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' <sup>13</sup> Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' <sup>14</sup> No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm Psalm 25:1-10

- <sup>1</sup> To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- <sup>2</sup> My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- <sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.
- <sup>4</sup> Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.
- <sup>5</sup> Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- <sup>6</sup> Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.
- <sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
- <sup>8</sup> You are gracious and upright, O Lord; therefore you teach sinners in your way.
- <sup>9</sup> You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.
- <sup>10</sup> All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

## **Second Reading**

Colossians 1:1-14

- <sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, <sup>2</sup> To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.
- <sup>3</sup> In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>4</sup> for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup> because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. <sup>7</sup> This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, <sup>8</sup> and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup> so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup> May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God





The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

25 An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" 27 He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." 28 And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

29 But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30 Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. 31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. 32 So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' 36 Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" 37 He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Sermon



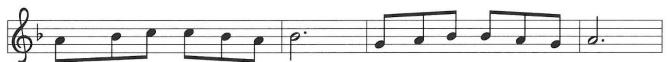
## Jesu, Jesu Fill Us with Your Love

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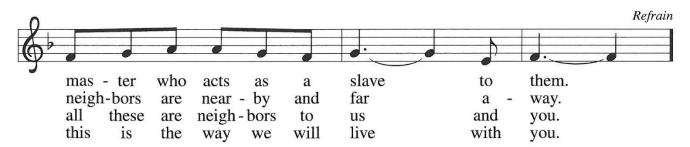


us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends,
- 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor,
- 3 These are the ones we will serve,
- 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends,

si - lent-ly wash-es their feet, var - ied in col - or and race, these are the ones we will love; si - lent-ly wash-ing their feet:



## **Prayers of the People**

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Saving God, awaken your church to your truth as it follows your path of love. Encourage pastors, deacons, teachers, and seminarians, and lead them as they seek to learn your ways.

God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Prosper the harvests of fruit-bearing bushes, trees, and plants. Uphold farmers and farm workers as they labor through summer days, and bring relief to lands that are parched with heat. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Instill in leaders of the world a strong love for their neighbors. Compel them to govern with equity and to give aid and protection to people who are vulnerable, especially strangers, migrants, and asylum seekers. God of grace,

#### hear our prayer.

Draw near to people in need of help, comfort, and healing. Provide protection and aid to children who are unsafe and undernourished while on summer break. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Go with all who travel, and protect them from harm. Put in their paths people who offer aid. We pray especially for the safety of first responders. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for all who have gone before us and have made your love known. Help us to follow their witness as we await our share in the inheritance of the saints. God of grace,

## hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you

## And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

#### Please be seated.

## **Offering**

Financial offerings are received in the plates. Please stand as the gifts come forward.

This QR code links
to our PayPal account and
may be used to make a
one-time gift.



## **Musical Offering**

## **Offertory Prayer**

Let us pray.

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### Thanksgiving for the Word

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

#### we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

#### we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

## we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

#### Amen.

#### The 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

#### WE ARE SENT

#### **Blessing**

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **Amen.** 



#### Charge

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

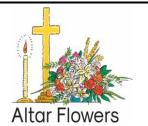
#### Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

Congregation adjourns to engage in loving service in the World

#### **Worship Service Today**

Greeters/Ushers	TBD
Lector	TBD
Worship Assistant	Deacon LeeAnn McCarthy
Hospitality	Karen Magerlein
Altar Guild	Karen Magerlein
Offering Teller	Dianne Carroll



NO Altar Flowers Donations

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

This morning we are thankful for the talents of Eleanor Keil who will be our guest organist as Phill is off today.

Quilters meet every Tuesday from 9am-12noon & First Saturday of the month from 1-4pm.

#### Weekly Devotional Readings & Next Sunday's Readings

**Monday:** Psalm 25:11-20; Job 24:1-8; James 2:1-7;

**Tuesday:** Psalm 25:11-20; Proverbs 19:1-17; 1 John 3:11-17;

**Wednesday:** Psalm 25:11-20; Ecclesiastes 9:13-18; Matthew 25:31-46;

**Thursday:** Psalm 15; Genesis 12:10-20; Hebrews 5:1-6; **Friday:** Psalm 15; Genesis 13:1-18; Ephesians 3:14-21; **Saturday:** Psalm 15; Genesis 14:1-16; Luke 8:4-10;

## <u>Sixth Sunday after Pentecost – July 20:</u>

Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1:15-28;

Luke 10:38-42.

#### **Those With Special Needs & Concerns**

#### Other Concerns of Our Community

#### PRAYER LIST

John Nurmi Arlita Hoyt Christine Olsza

Christine Olszanski Kolbe Olszanski Deanna Platt Bob Riekert Catherine Biel Jim Murtha Jim Befanis John Picucci

#### **SERVING IN ARMED FORCES**

Michael Gabrielsen Jack O'Brien



Bishop Paul Egensteiner and his staff.
For those who would dare to bring peace.
For the President and his administration.
Communities of Faith in & around Croton.
For refugees suffering in camps around the world.

For food to feed all those who hunger.

# Welcome to Our Saviour

Do you want to live life to its fullest? Do you want to have resources to cope with the challenges of life? Since his disciples first followed him, Jesus' teachings and example have been providing enduring answers for life's most troubling questions. Jesus' life was given for us. His life remains a gift to be received and God's Word through him waits to be heard. Come and see! The Lord is good!

Our Saviour is a safe, friendly, welcoming place for you and your family to hear Good News and find warm, caring community. We welcome people of all races, ethnicities, political affiliations, sexual orientations and gender identities or expressions. We invite you to join us in any or all of the activities. Please ask any member for further details. You will find the Order of Worship set out in this bulletin. You will also find a schedule of devotional readings and next Sunday's scripture set out inside the back cover.

**HOLY COMMUNION**: All are invited to the Lord's Table, as Jesus welcomed all without condition, to commune with Him. You need not be Lutheran or a church member. Young children may receive at their parents' discretion.



## Welcome to Our Saviour Evangelical Lutheran Church

Rev. Dr. Justin Johnson, Pastor Phill Greenland, Music Minister

Sunday School Sunday Worship Service 9:00 am 10:00 am

Pastor's Office Hours: Mon & Tues: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon;

Wed, Sat & Sun: by appointment; Thurs & Friday: Pastor's Days Off.

Church Secretary's Office Hours: Mon, Tues & Fri: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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