

# **3rd Sunday after Pentecost**

Sunday, June 29, 2025 9:30am

# Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA 612 Division St. | La Crosse, WI | 608.782.3468 www.oursaviorslutheranchurch.net "Our mission is to make the love of Christ known to all as we worship, serve and grow together."

All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace Is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health, race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, income or strength of faith. There is nothing we do, have done or will do that can separate us from the love of God. God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise, prayer and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+ Presiding Minister: Pastor Tara Shilts AV Team: Aselin Zinniel Communion: Lois Losby Organist: Thomas Haag Prayer Reader: Lois Losby

# **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

#### PRELUDE

Slane

Charles Callahan

#### **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.

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 new creation.

# Amen.



# Lord of All Hopefulness

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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.** 

#### **KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

## Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

#### Lord, have mercy.

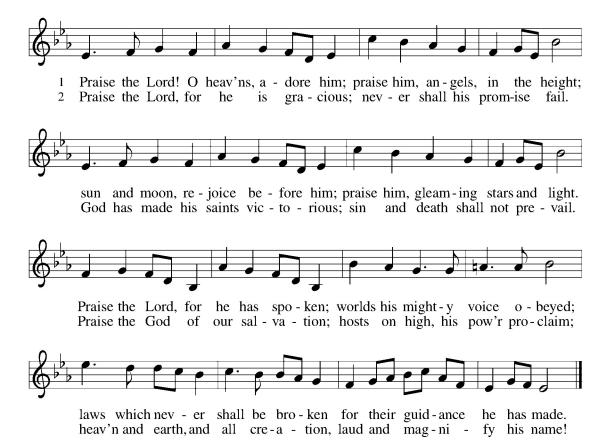
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

# Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

#### Amen.

# Praise the Lord! O Heavens



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# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### GOSPEL: Luke 9: 51-62

The holy gospel according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>51</sup> When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup> And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; <sup>53</sup> but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" <sup>55</sup> But he turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup> Then they went on to another village.

<sup>57</sup> As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." <sup>58</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." <sup>59</sup> To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." <sup>60</sup> But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." <sup>61</sup> Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." <sup>62</sup> Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

MESSAGE

Pastor Tara Shilts

#### The Summons Ć 0 0 . 0 0 . "Will and fol low if I but call 1 you come me 2 "Will you leave your self be hind if but call I 3 "Will you let the blind \_ ed if but call I see "Will 4 you the you hide if call love you but Ι 5 call Lord, your ech when but sum mons oes true you 6 0 ø . 0. 0 0 name? Will where don't your you go you Will your name? you care for cruel and your name? Will you set the pris 'ners your name? Will you quell the fear in my name. Let me turn and fol low 0 0 0 0 and be the same? know nev er same? kind and nev er be the same? free be the and nev er side and nev er be the same? you and nev er be the same. -6 , ρ P 0 o 0 Will you let love be shown, will you let my my Will you risk the hos tile should your life at stare, Will you kiss the lep \_ er clean, and do such as you've Will you the faith found shape the use to re -In your where your com pa ny I'll go love and -\_ 6 0. 0 . 0 will life be known, be name you let my Will tract or scare? you let me an swer this un seen, and ad mit to what Ι world through my а \_ round, sight and touch and foot - steps show. Thus ĽĬ move and live and 6 0 0 0 grown in you and you in me?" pray'r me?" you and you in in me?" and mean you in in you me?" sound in you and you in grow in you and you in me.

Will You Come and Follow Me

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#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Response to each petition is Where True Charity and Love Abide, ELW#642)

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

Guide your church, O God. Anoint us for service and make us messengers of your peace. Emboldened by the witness of *your apostles Peter and Paul and* Christians throughout history, send us to proclaim your reign come near.

Protect this world, O God. Watch over fields and fruit trees, foxes and birds, the pleasant land beneath us and the sun and moon above. Keep us mindful of the rich inheritance you have given us in the natural world.

God of grace,

# Where true charity and love abide, God is dwelling there; God is dwelling there.

Counsel our leaders, O God. Make them steadfast in seeking justice and unable to be shaken as they pursue peace. Lead them by your Spirit to listen and respond to the people they govern.

Uphold all who suffer, O God. Give refuge to those of us who know rejection, and shelter to those of us who have nowhere to lay our heads. Bring any who are sick into your healing presence. Give all your fullness of joy.

#### God of grace,

# Where true charity and love abide, God is dwelling there; God is dwelling there.

Set free this assembly, O God. Grow your Spirit's fruits within us and within our congregation's ministries. Set our faces always on you, that we might live in the freedom to which you have called us.

Embrace all your saints, O God. We thank you for the faithful departed. Let us rejoice that you do not abandon us to the grave but lead us on the path of life.

God of grace,

Where true charity and love abide, God is dwelling there; God is dwelling there.

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

#### PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

# And also with you.

### **NOISY OFFERING**

### HOLY COMMUNION

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.

# THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. 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.

#### COMMUNION

You may come forward for communion using the center aisle. After receiving bread from Pastor, please take an empty glass from the small table. If you prefer grape juice, take a full glass. Proceed to the person with the pouring chalice. After receiving your wine/blessing, place your empty glass in the basket you will see as you walk toward the side aisle.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 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 your peace.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN	The Peace of the Lord	ELW #646
DISMISSAL		

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Slane

**Ronald Arnatt** 

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# NO MOO-MOO'S PRAYER CLUB TODAY

## Sunday, June 29, 10:15am—Sanctuary

No Moo-Moo Prayer Club today due to illness.

# HOSPITAL VISIT REMINDER

If you are hospitalized and would like a visit from a pastor, please contact the church office directly at <u>608.728.3468</u>. Due to privacy policies at both **Emplify by Gundersen** and **Mayo/Franciscan Healthcare** hospitals will not notify us or share patient information unless we inquire using a specific name. This means we won't know you're in the hospital unless you or a family member lets us know. We're here for you—please don't hesitate to reach out!

# MONTHLY DONATION DRIVE LOOKING AHEAD—JULY 2025

# Help Us Support Our Community!

We invite you to take part in our **Monthly Donation Drive** by bringing much -needed items to support two important local ministries:

- Pet Food for The Hunger Task Force
- Spaghetti for Come For Supper

Your generous donations make a real difference in the lives of our neighbors facing food insecurity. Simply bring your items with you to church and place them in the grocery cart in the narthex. **Together, we can be a blessing to others—thank you for giving faithfully and generously!** 

# DORCAS POTLUCK PICNIC

# Wednesday, July 2, 6pm—Fellowship Hall

The July Dorcas Society meeting will be our annual indoor potluck picnic, so be sure to bring a dish to pass. Also please bring an item you have but no longer want or need to be a white elephant gift for a fun game we'll be playing. You can bring it in a plain bag, gift bag, or wrapped in newspaper or gift wrap paper, your choice. It doesn't have to be fancy. The meal will be served at 6pm and the doors will be open at 5:30pm. Come join in on a great meal, plan on having a fun time with us and, as always, all are welcome!

# LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

As the school year approaches, let's make a difference in the lives of children globally by collecting items for **Lutheran World Relief (LWR) School Kits**.

# **ITEMS NEEDED**

- ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons
- **ONE** pair of blunt scissors
- **ONE** pencil sharpener
- ONE 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" eraser
- **ONE** 12-inch ruler (with centimeters on one side)
- FOUR 70-sheet notebooks
- FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- **FIVE** unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers

Please remember to keep items neutral and universally helpful by avoiding religious symbols, US flags, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the US armed forces.

# HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

- Shop Smart: Take advantage of great back-to-school sales going on now!
- 2. **Collect Items:** Pick up a school bag to fill and list of needed items at the display in the Narthex today!
- 3. **Deliver Your Donations:** After shopping, simply return your filled school bag back to the display.

For more information, please visit <u>https://lwr.org/schoolkits</u>.

Thank you for your continued generosity! Let's empower young minds and spread love across boarders..

# OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

# CALENDAR

Sunday, June 29, 2025			
9:30am	Worship/HC		
7—8pm	Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.		
<u>Monday</u> 9am—1pm 10am—12 noon	Office Open Gas Vouchers		
<u>Tuesday</u> 9am—1pm 1—5pm 4pm 4:15—5:15pm 5:15—5:30pm	Office Open WCC CFS Doors Open CFS Meal Served CFS Carry Outs		
<u>Wednesday</u> 9am—1pm 12 noon	Office Open Worship/HC		
<u>Thursday</u> 9am—1pm	Office Open		
<u>Friday</u> Staff Sabbath			
<b>Saturday</b> 9am—1pm	WCC open		
<u>Sunday, July 6, 2025</u>			
9:30am	Worship/HC		
10:15am	M-M's Prayer Club		
10:15am 7—8pm	Coffee Fellowship Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.		
<b>Calendar Notations:</b> HC—Holy Communion M-M's Praye Club—Moo-Moo's Prayer Club CFS—Come For Supper WCC—Women's Clothes Closet			

# PRAYER CONCERNS

# HEALING AND PEACE

Ardelle Ender, Athena Burg, Bev Hanson, Casey Kanter, Cathy Ofte, Cindy Moe, Cindy Vieth, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, Dave Kjos, Dottie Pierce, Erik Rudrud, Esther Harman, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, George, Jane Spear, Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jeff Kent, Pastor Joanne, Jim Garson, Jim Radatz, Joyce Gosman, Karen Geoglein, Katie White, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Margo Erickson, Mary Covey, Monica & Jack D., Morris Buros, Pamela Mathis, Peggy Kneifl, Rich Pitz, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sandy Kjos, Sonja Simonson-Schrag, Tom Cade, and Vera Wensole

#### **GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF**

#### **MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES**

**Gabriel** W. Kleven, **Greg** Phillips, **Ricky** Macon, **Stacie** Phillips, and **Tom** Rudrud

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nancy Larson	June 30
<b>Dala</b> Hynek	July 1
<b>Doris</b> Modahl	July 1
<b>Laura</b> Radatz	July 1
<b>Erv</b> Dukatz	July 2
<b>Connie</b> Garson	July 4
Bob Miller	July 4
Scott Rathgaber	July 6