

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



**3RD SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026, 9:30AM**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA
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***"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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Liz Bahr, Cantor | Judi Winkler, Custodian

Welcome, visitors! We're glad you are here! We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us today. We will share holy Communion; you are welcome to participate.

We would like to be in touch with you! Visitors—please use the Live Stream 'Attendance Info Form (www.allarewelcome.org under the Live Stream tab) today. **Members**—you only need to fill them out once a year when you receive Holy Communion. **In addition**, use the form for prayer requests, hymn requests, to get the monthly newsletter, to give us address changes, or for any communication with the office or pastor.

If you need **hearing assistance**, ask in the church office for our special devices. If you need **assistance with the live stream**, please call 608.782.3468 or join us on the phone live stream at 1.877.552.3468 (toll-free).

+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+

Presiding Minister: Pastor Joanne Richmond

AV Ministry Team: Gary & Deb Wold

Cantor: Liz Bahr

Communion Assistant: Kim Grapes

Pianist: Mary Stutesman

Prayer Reader: Kim Grapes

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,
+ one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us
and all of creation.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

To you, O God,

all hearts are open, to you all desires known.

We come to you, confessing our sins.

Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love.

Show us your ways; teach us your paths;

and lead us in justice and truth,

for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior.

KYRIE

God our Creator in heaven,

have mercy upon us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

have mercy upon us.

God the Holy Spirit, true comforter,

have mercy upon us.

Amen.

By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives you a new birth,
and through the death and resurrection of + Jesus Christ,
God forgives you all your sins.

The God of mercy and might strengthen you
in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

God Is Here!

ELW #526 vs. 1, 4

God Is Here!



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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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.

Now the Feast and Celebration

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



Refrain



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



Refrain



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



Refrain



God; to make all things new.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PSALM 100

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all you lands!

² Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

³ **Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

⁴ Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's holy name.

⁵ **Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35—10:8

The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵ Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

^{10:1} Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' ⁸ Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Joanne Richmond

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate

ELW #722 vs. 1, 2, 3

O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate



1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.
that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.
whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

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Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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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 *To God Our Thanks We Give* ELW #682

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

God of freedom, you ransomed Israel from slavery to be a holy people. As we observe Juneteenth this coming week, free us also to be a people who proclaim your liberating love.

God of creation, you call all the earth to make a joyful noise to you. Let us join the chorus of the natural world in proclaiming your glory.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**To God our thanks we give,
to God our thanks we give,
to God our thanks we give,
our thanks to God we give.**

God of the nations, you sent Jesus as peace for all of humankind. Bring an end to war and conflict, bring hope to places devastated by destruction, and sustain those who advocate for peace.

God of grace, you pour hope and love into our hearts in times of shame and doubt. Protect those experiencing housing insecurity. Uplift anyone struggling with hopelessness, illness, or other worries.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**To God our thanks we give,
to God our thanks we give,
to God our thanks we give,
our thanks to God we give.**

God of all, you call your children to serve in a plentiful harvest. Give us the wisdom to know how best to serve our local community and our neighbors. God of faith, we give thanks for the saints who earnestly seek you. Guide us as we seek to follow those who have led your church.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**To God our thanks we give,
to God our thanks we give,
to God our thanks we give,
our thanks to God we give.**

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, God, through Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

NOISY OFFERING

DIALOGUE

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.

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.**

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.
In the name of Jesus,
Amen.

BLESSING

The holy Three,
the holy One
increase your hope,
strengthen your faith,
deepen your love,
and + grant you peace.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love,
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

DISMISSAL

As you leave this place,
when you meet anger, speak with love.
When you meet fear, speak with hope.
When you meet pain, speak with gentleness.
But no matter what, speak this good news.

For the good news of the gospel is
love and justice for all.
It is joy that surprises,
and nonviolence that transforms.
The good news of the gospel is alive in the world.

Thanks be to God for this good, good news. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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LISTENING SESSIONS! The call process for a new pastor starts with a Transition Team. Our task is to complete the Ministry Site Profile that goes to the Synod and Call Committee. **Your input is needed**, so that this important document reflects what the congregation is seeking. Several informal conversations, to gather members' thoughts, will be guided by these questions:

- What are your concerns?
- What are your dreams for the church and congregation?
- What ministries do you appreciate the most?
What do you believe we are good at and what could we improve?
- What are the hopes & expectations you are looking for in a new Pastor?

Dates and times for these sessions are scheduled after worship and other gatherings as follows:

Sunday, June 21, 10:15am, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, June 23, 6pm, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 24, 12:30pm, Chapel

Additional tentative opportunity on **Sunday, July 12**

We look forward to hearing from you at the Listening Sessions! If you cannot join us, contact a member of the Transition Team to share your ideas. Thank you!

Our Savior's Transition Team,

Bruce Losby (chair), Becky Grapes, Joel McCall, Deb Wollin, Chris Krueger

DIP POTLUCK EXTRAVAGANZA—Sun., June 28 | 10:15am | Fellowship Hall

Get ready to dip, mingle, and dive into a sea of flavors! Join us for a dip-tastic gathering where we'll celebrate the art of dipping, dunking, and savoring! Whether it's a secret family recipe, a spicy salsa, or a creamy concoction, we want to taste your favorite dip creations. So, whip up your best dip recipe (sweet or savory) and dippable goodies (chips, fruits, veggies, breadsticks, etc.) and bring it to share after worship. See you there!

RUMMAGE SALE PLANNING MEETING

Sunday, June 28 | 10:30am | Fellowship Hall

Our second Rummage Sale planning meeting will be held on Sunday, June 28, at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in helping with this year's sale, we invite you to join us as we continue making plans and organizing volunteer efforts. ***All are welcome, and we appreciate your help in making this event a success!***

DINNER & MOVIE NIGHT—Sat., June 20 | 4:30–6:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Join us for a cozy family movie night fun for all ages and stages! Enjoy a light dinner and snacks while we relax and watch a great film together. For more information, please call/text Jessica at 608.782.3468.

GAME DAY—Sunday, June 21, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Bring the whole family and join us for a fun-filled Game Day! All ages and stages are welcome—because everything's more exciting with a little friendly competition. Bring your favorite board game, a snack to share, or simply come as you are. There's a seat (and a game) for everyone!

SUMMER FIRE PIT—Saturday, June 27, 6—8pm—Courtyard

Gather around the fire for a night of s'mores, grilled hot dogs, outdoor games, and lots of fun! Bring a lawn chair or blanket and your friends and family for a great night together around the campfire

OSLC HIKING GROUP—Sun, June 28 | 1:30pm | Paul E. Stry Nature Preserve

Join us for a relaxed afternoon hike as we explore the beautiful trails at Paul E. Stry Nature Preserve! Whether you enjoy a casual stroll or simply want to spend time outdoors with others, all are welcome. We'll take in the peaceful scenery, fresh air, and natural beauty of this local preserve while enjoying good conversation and fellowship along the way. Come walk with us and enjoy an afternoon in nature!

SAVE THE DATE—RUMMAGE BAG SALE

Friday, August 14, \$5 per bag & **Saturday, August 15**, \$5 for 1–2 bags
(Jewelry and select items will be individually priced.)

Donation Drop-Off: Mon., Aug. 3—Sat., Aug. 9, 9am–1pm only

- No donations accepted during setup week.
- We cannot accept car seats, electronics (including TVs and stereos), large appliances, or baby furniture.
- Furniture donations are accepted by permission only.

Volunteer Help Needed

- Setup: Sunday, August 9 (after worship) & August 10 – 13
- Sale Days: Friday, August 14 & Saturday, August 15
- Cleanup: Sunday, August 15

Thank you for supporting this event with your donations and time!

OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 14, 2026

8:30—10:30am Office Open
9:30am Worship/HC
10:15am Coffee Fellowship
10:15am Moo-Moo's Prayer Club
6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Monday

9am—1pm Office Open

Tuesday

9am—1pm Office Open
1—5pm WCC Open
4pm CFS Doors Open
4:05—5:15pm CFS Meal Served
5:15—5:30pm CFS Carry Outs

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

8:30am St. Clare's Health Mission
Mobile Medical Unit—Parking Lot
9am—1pm Office Open
1pm Art & Faith

Thursday

9am—1pm Office Open
6pm Transition Task Force

Friday

Pastor/Staff Sabbath

Saturday

9am—1pm WCC Open
4:30—6:30pm Dinner & Movie

Sunday, June 21, 2026

Noisy Offering—Emergency Fund

8:30—10:30am Office Open
9:30am Worship
10:15am Coffee Fellowship
10:15am Listening Session
10:15am Game Day
6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Calendar Notations:

HC—Holy Communion
CFS—Come For Supper
WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Art Olson, Athena Burg, Barb Jarrett, Bev Hanson, Casey Kanter, Cassie, Cathy Ofte, Cindy Moe, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, Dave Kjos, Dean Geier, Erik Rudrud, Esther Harman, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, Gayle, George, Jane & Michael Speer, Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jeff Kent, Jeremy R., Pastor Joanne, Jon Zinniel, Joshua, Jim Radatz, Juliana Andrews, Karen Geoglein, Katie White, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Mary Covey, Monica & Jack D., Pamela Mathis, Peggy Kneifl, Rick, Roger Loing, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sandy Kjos, Sonja Simonson-Schrag, and Tom Cade

GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

Ricky Macon, and Tom Rudrud

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Briela Wells June 14
Keith Burand June 15
Cooper VanZee June 15
David Rudrud June 18
Terry Grapes June 21