

# 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, July 26th 5:00 PM

Sunday, July 27th 9:00 AM



## OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We are glad you are joining us for worship at  
**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Please fill out the **Pew Pads** for registering your attendance and communion participation. If you would like a pastoral call or want to join OSLC, please check those boxes and include contact information.

During the **Offering**, the ushers will pass the traditional offering plates. In addition to placing gifts in the plates, this QR code can be used if you would like to give electronically through **Tithe.ly**. **Please Note:** If you give cash in an envelope, please write your name on the envelope if you want credit for it on your giving statement.



We have an open table for **Holy Communion** with two options to receive communion:

- 1) Come forward, at the direction of the ushers, to receive communion by **Intinction**. You will receive a wafer (gluten free available) and then dip it either in the wine (red) or grape juice (white).  
  
Children and others not wishing to receive communion may come forward with their hands folded to receive a blessing. Otherwise, come forward with you palms open to receive a wafer.
- 2) Stay in your pew and use the **self-contained communion cups** (wafer on the top and grape juice on the bottom). These are located in the rear of the sanctuary as you walk in.

There are portions of the worship service when the **assembly is invited to stand**. Feel free to sit anytime during worship.

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Prelude, Welcome, Announcements & Call to Worship

### GATHERING

**Gathering Song:** "Lord, Listen to Your Children" *sing twice*

*please stand as you are able*



On bend - ed knee, with need - y hearts, we  
come and pray. Lord, lis - ten to your chil - dren.  
With will - ing hearts and o - pen arms, we come and pray.  
Lord, lis - ten to your chil - dren. With  
sim - ple words of heart - felt thanks, we come. Be -  
liev - ing in your prom - is - es, we come. On  
bend - ed knee, with need - y hearts, we come and pray. Lord,  
lis - ten to your chil - dren, lis - ten to your chil - dren.

Text: Handt Hanson

Music: ON BENDED KNEE, Handt Hanson

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## **Confession and Forgiveness**

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

**C** **Amen.**

**L** Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection*

**L** Merciful God,

**C** **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.**

**L** 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.

**C** **Amen.**


## **Greeting**

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

**C** **And also with you.**

## Kyrie

ELW Service of the Word



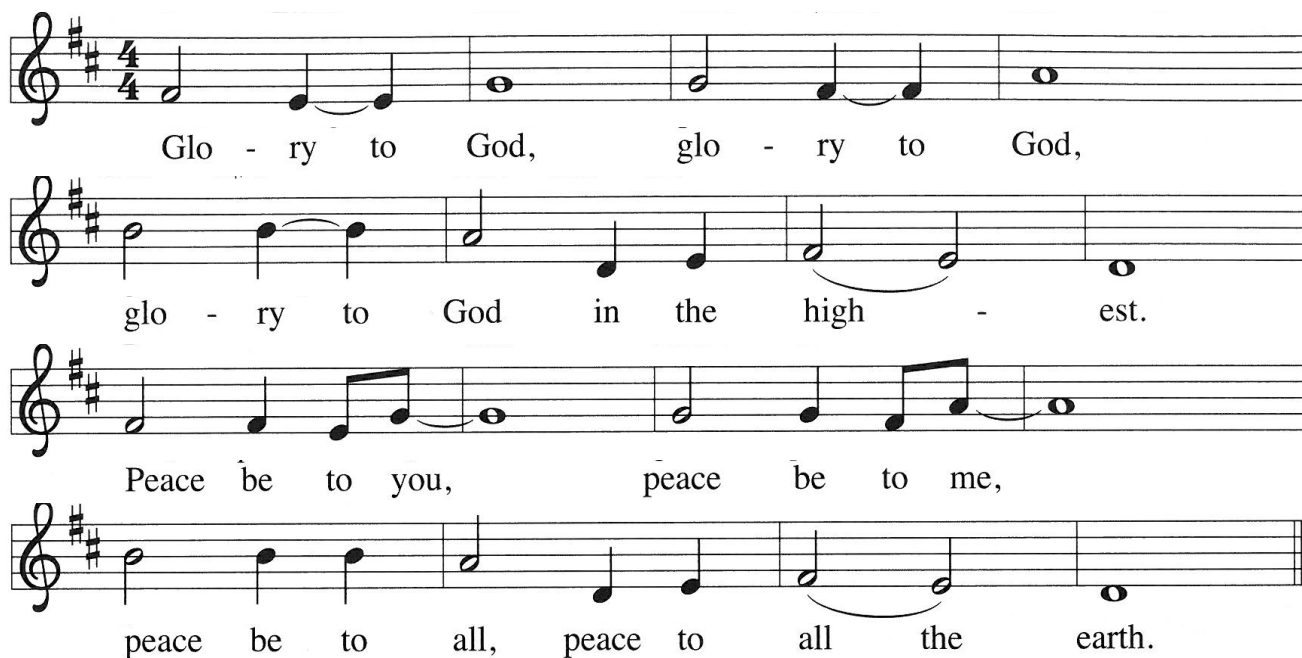
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.

Chri - ste e - le - i - son: Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.

## Canticle of Praise: "Glory to God"

ACS #911



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God,

glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Peace be to you, peace be to me,

peace be to all, peace to all the earth.

Text: Marcus Veenstra; tr. composite  
Music: GLORIA A DIOS, Marcus Veenstra; arr. Greg Scheer, b. 1966  
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## Prayer of the Day

**C** Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

*you may be seated*

## WORD

### First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

<sup>20</sup> Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup> I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know." <sup>22</sup> So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. <sup>23</sup> Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup> Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup> And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup> Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup> Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup> Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup> Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup> He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup> Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

R Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 138

- <sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.
- <sup>2</sup> **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,  
because of your steadfast love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**
- <sup>3</sup> When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.
- <sup>4</sup> **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**
- <sup>5</sup> They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.
- <sup>6</sup> **The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**
- <sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- <sup>8</sup> **You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

## Second Reading: Colossians 2:6-15

<sup>6</sup> As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him,  
<sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught,  
abounding in thanksgiving. <sup>8</sup> Watch out that no one takes you captive through  
philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental  
principles of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup> For in him the whole fullness of  
deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup> and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every  
ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup> In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by  
the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup> when you were  
buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of  
God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup> And when you were dead in trespasses and the  
uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave  
us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup> erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands.  
He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup> He disarmed the rulers and authorities and  
made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

R Word of God, word of life.      C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*please stand as you are able*



## Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 11th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

## Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”<sup>2</sup> So he said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.” <sup>5</sup> And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,’ <sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ <sup>7</sup> And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ <sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup> “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup> Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake



instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup> Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

*you may be seated*

## Children’s Sermon

### Sermon

Rev. Jon Strasman, Pastor

### Hymn of the Day: “What a Friend We Have In Jesus”

ELW #742

*please stand as you are able*



- 1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?  
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

## **Apostles' Creed**

**C** 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 the People**

**L** God of grace,

**C** Hear our prayer.

**L** Trusting in your lovingkindness,  
we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen.

## **Peace**

**L** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*you may be seated*

# MEAL

## The Offering



*This QR code can be used to give electronically through **Tithe.ly***

### Offering Song: “Goodness Is Stronger than Evil”

ELW #721



Good - ness is stron - ger than e - vil; love is stron - ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is



ours, vic - t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

Text: From *An African Prayer Book*, Desmond Tutu, b. 1931

Music: GOODNESS IS STRONGER, John L. Bell, b. 1949

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### Offering Prayer

*please stand as you are able*

#### C Creator God,

**in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.**

**Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor,  
that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**Amen.**

## **Words of Institution**

**P** 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.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C** **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**

**P** The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

**Communion Song: “Be Known to Us”**

ACS Setting 12  
*you may be seated*

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Communion Song: “Seek Ye First”**

*song is on the next page*

*Descant*

Al - le - lu - ia, al -

D F#m G D G

1 Seek ye . . . first the king - dom of God and its  
 2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and  
 3 We do not live by bread . . . a - lone, but by

le - lu - ia, al - le -

D Em A<sup>7</sup> D F#m

righteous - ness, and all these things shall be  
 you shall find; knock and the door shall be  
 ev - 'ry word that pro - ceeds from the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

G D G D Em A D

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.  
 o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.  
 mouth . . . of . . . God. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

## Communion Song: "In The Singing"

ELW 466



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,  
2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,



in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,  
in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,



*Refrain*  
Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

Text: Shirley Erena Murray, b. 1931

Music: BREAD OF PEACE, Carlton R. Young, b. 1926

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## Table Blessing

*please stand as you are able*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
and keep you always in God's grace.

C Amen

## Prayer after Communion

C 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.

## SENDING

P The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord's face smile upon you and be gracious to you;  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

**Sending Song:** "Go, My Children, With My Blessing"

ELW #543



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.  
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional  
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## Dismissal

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.