

# *Our Savior Lutheran Church*



## *Service of the Word and Sacrament*

Sunday, 17 August 2025

Worship: 10.00am

### THE GATHERING

*Welcome, Announcements, Prayer Requests*

{Congregational responses are in Bold/Italics}

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the Earth.

***Worship the Lord with gladness;***

***come into His presence with singing.***

Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise.

***Give thanks to Him, bless His Name, for the LORD is good;***

***His steadfast love endures forever!***

### HYMN

"The Solid Rock"

#411

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray...

***Mighty and merciful God, You have called us to be Your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We have been timid and frightened disciples, forgetful of Your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us. We ask that You forgive our foolish and sinful ways. Even as You have chosen us, and claimed us in our Baptisms, we ask that You strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world. Give us Your Holy Spirit that all of us might be provided with the gifts of Grace needed to fulfill our common calling; we ask this in and through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. AMEN***

### ABSOLUTION/ASSURANCE OF PARDON

# Holy Scripture

## RESPONSIVE READING - *Psalms 110.1-7*

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

***Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.***

While I kept silence, my body wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.

***For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.***

Then I acknowledged my sin to You,  
and I did not hide my iniquity;

***I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
and You forgave the guilt of my sin.***

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to You;  
at a time of distress the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

***You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble;  
You surround me with glad cries of deliverance.***

## EPISTLE READING - Romans 6.15-23

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your

natural limitations; for just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## GOSPEL LESSON - *Matthew 13.36-43*

Then [Jesus] left the crowds and went into the house and His disciples approached Him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send His angels and they will collect out of His Kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers and they will [be thrown] into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

This is the Word of the Lord!  
Thanks be to God!

## SPECIAL MUSIC

Pastor Larry

## SERMON

"Sin - Recognize That Word?"

Pastor Larry

CONFESSION OF FAITH

*In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, breaking the power of sin and death, delivering us from death to life eternal. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image male and female, of every race and people. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the Giver and Renewer of Life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the One Body of Christ, the Church. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s New Heaven and New Earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!” AMEN*

OFFERING, DOXOLOGY, PRAYER

HYMN                      *”’Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus”*                      #414

The Eucharist

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 Him thanks and praise...***  
So we come before Him and pray...  
...and raise to Him in great joy and love by singing:

*O, Worship the King, all glorious above!  
And gratefully sing His wonderful love!  
His mercies how tender, how firm to the end;  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER  
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. AMEN.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION - COMMUNION

HYMN                      *”Power in the Blood”*                      #338

*BENEDICTION and SENDING*

Go in Peace and Serve the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH

*Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me;  
Let there be peace on Earth, Peace that was meant to be;  
With God as our Father, brothers all are we;  
Let me walk with my brothers in perfect harmony!  
Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now;  
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally  
Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with me!*

**CHURCH COUNCIL** - - - meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

<b>President</b>	Dot Smith
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**SERVING TODAY**

<b>Reader</b>	
<b>Offering</b>	Bob Bouchard
<b>Communion</b>	Dot Smith, Andrea Yerger

**REMINDER:**

We are collecting UNDERWEAR for the  
***“Jesus Loves You Ministry”***  
all through the month of August; there is a container  
near the front door for you to drop them off...

**Weekly Activities**

**Wednesdays:** ***Drop In*** to visit with Pastor 10am-2pm  
**Thursdays:** ***Bible Study at 10am***  
*{on Hiatus until 11 September}*

*Always available by appointment...*

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