



GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

GROWING IN OUR SAVIOR

GOING OUT TO SHARE HIS LOVE

JULY 20, 2025

10:00AM



## Opening Hymn - LSB 912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone



1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone we build;  
2 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we im - plore,  
△ 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall ring;



With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His  
And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til  
Our voic - es we will raise The Three in One to sing And thus



great love Our hopes we place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.  
that day When all the blest To end - less rest Are called a - way.  
pro - claim In joy - ful song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name.

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## Invocation

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

C **Amen.**

## Confession and Declaration of Grace

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism you declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**C Amen.**

### **Kyrie**

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**A** 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.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C Amen.**

### **Gloria in Excelsis**

**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **Collect of the Day**

**P** Let us pray.

**O** Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

**Worship Songs:** We Have Come into This House, by Bruce Ballinger  
What a Beautiful Name, by Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood  
Praise the Name of Jesus, by Roy Hicks, Jr.

## Sharing in the Peace

*(People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).)*

## Old Testament Reading

Genesis 18:1–14

<sup>1</sup> The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup>and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup>while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on – since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." <sup>10</sup>The LORD said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?'" <sup>14</sup>Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

A. This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 27 - The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation

<sup>1</sup>The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold<sup>Ⓜ</sup> of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup>When evildoers assail me  
to eat up my flesh,  
my adversaries and foes,  
it is they who stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup>Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;

though war arise against me,  
 yet<sup>[2]</sup> I will be confident.

<sup>4</sup> One thing have I asked of the Lord,  
 that will I seek after:  
 that I may dwell in the house of the Lord  
 all the days of my life,  
 to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord  
 and to inquire<sup>[3]</sup> in his temple.

<sup>5</sup> For he will hide me in his shelter  
 in the day of trouble;  
 he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
 he will lift me high upon a rock.

<sup>6</sup> And now my head shall be lifted up  
 above my enemies all around me,  
 and I will offer in his tent  
 sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
 I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

<sup>7</sup> Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud;  
 be gracious to me and answer me!

<sup>8</sup> You have said, "Seek<sup>[4]</sup> my face."  
 My heart says to you,  
 "Your face, Lord, do I seek."<sup>[5]</sup>

<sup>9</sup> Hide not your face from me.  
 Turn not your servant away in anger,  
 O you who have been my help.  
 Cast me not off; forsake me not,  
 O God of my salvation!

<sup>10</sup> For my father and my mother have forsaken me,  
 but the Lord will take me in.

<sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, O Lord,  
 and lead me on a level path  
 because of my enemies.

<sup>12</sup> Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;  
 for false witnesses have risen against me,  
 and they breathe out violence.

<sup>13</sup> I believe that I shall look<sup>[6]</sup> upon the goodness of the Lord  
 in the land of the living!

<sup>14</sup> Wait for the Lord;  
 be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
 wait for the Lord!

**C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Epistle

Colossians 1:21-29

*<sup>21</sup>You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.*

*<sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup>of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup>For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.*

A. This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Holy Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

*<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Apostles' Creed

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers of the Church**

**Offering**

**Offertory**

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (LSB 805)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**Service of the Sacrament +**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer**

**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.

## The Words of Our Lord

**C** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

### **Pax Domini**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

### **Distribution**

**Communion Hymns:** How Deep the Father's Love for Us,  
Brown 100, Brown 359, Brown 580

### **Post-Communion Collect**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank and praise You for feeding us the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the holy Sacrament, we may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

### **Benediction**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:** 582 A Parting Hymn We Sing

### **Dismissal**

**P** Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C** Thanks be to God!



## Announcements

**Preparing for Holy Communion:** The Bible teaches us that we need to examine ourselves before coming to the Lord's Supper (1 Cor 11: (I Cor11:23-31). Please examine yourself with these four questions.

1. Are you sorry for your sins? (I John 1:8)
2. Do you believe that Jesus is your Savior who forgives all your sins? (I Timothy 1:15)
3. Are you determined to live a holy life? (Ephesians 2:10)
4. Do you believe that Christ's Body and Blood are present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Lord's Supper, thus you receive all four elements? (Matthew 26:26-28)

*Being His Hands and Feet* is the title of a three part Bible study that will be led by Peter Kemmer on Sundays beginning at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Room starting this coming Sunday. This teaching series will focus on mission and evangelism, connecting with the third part of our mission statement: *Going out to share Jesus' love.*

**A Memorial Service** for our dear brother Jon Ronson has been scheduled for Wednesday morning, August 27th. If you have pictures of Jon that could be used in a slide show or photo collage, please send the pictures to Jon's sister B.J. via email ([elapierre104@aol.com](mailto:elapierre104@aol.com))

**Vacation Bible School** is scheduled for **July 28-August 1**. This year's theme is *Epic Australian Adventure* focused on Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. (John 14:6) Registration for children and volunteers is available through our church website or directly on: [vbsmate.com/oursaviorscoloniemy](http://vbsmate.com/oursaviorscoloniemy). Prayerfully consider how you can become involved in this ministry to children from our church, school and community. More volunteers are needed, particularly as guides and assistant guides. Register on line or contact Tom Roemke if you are interested. Pray that Jesus' love would permeate all involved in this summer's VBS.

**Vicar Mark Chaffee's** office hours are 9 a.m.-noon, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. You may also reach him by cell phone: 518/763-1085 or via email:

[mark.chaffee@oursaviors.com](mailto:mark.chaffee@oursaviors.com) **Pastor Patrick Singh** is serving as part time vacancy pastor at Our Savior's, providing pastoral care and leadership in cooperation with Vicar Mark. You may contact Pastor Singh by email ([patrick204642003@yahoo.com](mailto:patrick204642003@yahoo.com)) or by cell phone (917/254-2597) if you wish to talk or schedule a time to meet with him.

### **Financials:**

For the month of June:	Year to Date (Aug-June)
Income \$45,896	Income \$452,461
Expenses \$40,697	Expenses \$447,839
Balance \$5,199	Balance \$4,622

### **Prayer needs:**

**Healing:** Christine Baird, Barbara Brusco, Kathy Hawley, Anne Kocsis, Phyllis Lubiniecki, Barbara MacGowan, Jennifer Noble, Patty Marshall, Patrick O'Brien, Nora Schoonmaker, George Swint, Eric Unright, Joan & Walter Weis, Lori & Peter Whitehouse, Dave Wolcott, Tim Zuelsdorf

**-Homebound:** Inge Glidden in **Assisted Living:** Christine Baird, Hazel Gutkoska, Marga Hildenbrandt, Ruth Looman, Lois O'Brien

**-VBS:** Pray that God's Word would sink into the hearts of the children and volunteers involved in VBS. Pray that more would volunteer to help with this ministry to children

### **This Mornings Servers:**

**Organist:** Pam Reynolds

**Worship Leader:** Tom Aery

**Reader:** Matt Hans

**Communion Servers:** Fred & Nancy Dignon

**Pray-ers:** Ike & Sue Wallace

**Ushers:** Jim Ryan, Joe Lenge, Teri Zuelsdorf

### **Looking forward to next Sunday** - July 27, 2025 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

#### **Scripture Readings**

Genesis 18:(17-19) 20-33

Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19)

Luke 11:1-13

### **The Prayer of the Church Is the Voice of Faith**

Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of faith by teaching them how to pray. He promises us: "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). If earthly fathers know how to give good gifts to their children, "how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him" (Luke 11:13). Thus, father Abraham was bold in his prayer because he believed the gracious promise of the Lord, that he would "surely become a great and mighty nation" (Gen. 18:18). When we pray in Jesus' name, we also hold "fast to the Head" (Col. 2:19), "rooted and built up in him and established in the faith" (Col. 2:6-7).

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## Prayer on Sunday

O Lord Jesus Christ, true God and true man, today all Christendom celebrates the day on which You rose from the dead. You, who are the Light come to lighten the darkness, let the sun of Your mercy rise upon all the services of Your people. Grant that Your Word may be rightly preached with power from the Holy Spirit, and without fear of those who would oppose it. Bring about true repentance in all who are Yours, and fill them with the holy faith, which is the salvation of their souls. Listen favorably to all our prayers and bring them before the Father for the sake of Your holy wounds.

O Merciful Lord, where You in the mystery of the Sacrament of Your body and blood make an entrance among Your people, there grant that all the faithful may bow in holy fear and humility before You, and that all whom You Yourself feed may receive the sacred gift, not impenitently to their judgment, but as a medicine of eternal life. Look not upon the sins we commit against You this day, and bring to nothing all the plans of the evil foe. Let the Last Day come soon, so that we, released from all strife, may behold You with all the saints and angels face-to-face and sing our praises to You better than we are now able.

Amen. Yes, come Lord Jesus! Amen.

*“Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!” (Psalm 100:4)*

