



Lutheran Church of Our Savior

✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

Praise - Holy Communion

10:00am

Ascension Day

May 17, 2026

Our Mission

Responding to God's love, Lutheran Church of Our Savior desires to reach more people for Christ by proclaiming Him, by growing in faith, and by caring for all people.

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Lutherans Practice Close Communion. This means that everyone who comes forward to the Lord's Supper is publicly agreeing with the confession of faith believed and taught in this church. As you prepare to receive the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins, prayerfully consider the following questions:

1. Do I believe that I am a sinful human being and I am sorry for the things I have done and left undone?
2. Do I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross to save me from my sins?
3. Do I believe that Jesus is personally present in this Sacrament with His real Body and Blood?
4. Will I, with the Holy Spirit's help, try to avoid the sins I am guilty of and live more according to Jesus's will?

If the answer to these questions is yes. Then you can confidently come forward to celebrate the Lord's Supper. If you find yourself unable, or unwilling to agree, you may still come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms at the communion rail.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Come and Sing Praises
I Will Celebrate
No Other Name

Praise Team

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG

Todah Yahweh

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1. Your love is great Greater than all things
Jesus, You are with us in this place
Yes, You gave Your life So we could walk in light
Alleluia, Lord, You came to save

Chorus: God, we need You every day
With one voice we sing Your praise
Full of mercy, full of grace Todah Yahweh
In our weakness, You are strong
In Your presence, we belong
Full of mercy, full of grace Todah Yahweh

2. You know our needs You know our ev'ry fear
Lord, You know each one of our mistakes
Yes, You know our flaws You know our every sin
Jesus, still You offer us Your grace (**Chorus**)

Holy, Holy You are Worthy, God Almighty, Jesus, have Your way
Holy, Holy You are Worthy, God Almighty, Jesus forever reign
Holy, Holy You are Worthy, God Almighty, Jesus, have Your way
Holy, Holy You are Worthy, God Almighty, Jesus forever reign (**Chorus**)

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

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KYRIE

Sung

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Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: 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.

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

We Will Glorify

1. We will glorify the King of Kings,
We will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of Lords,
Who is the great "I Am".
2. Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty,
We will bow before His throne.
We will worship Him in righteousness,
We will worship Him alone.
3. He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth,
He is Lord of all who live.
He is Lord above the universe,
All praise to Him we give.

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4. Hallelujah to the King of Kings,
Hallelujah to the Lamb.
Hallelujah to the Lord of Lords
Who is the great “I Am”.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let Us Pray:

Pastor: Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Sit

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 1:12-26

Reader: The New Testament Lesson is from Acts the 1st chapter.

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day’s journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, “Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness,

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and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) “For it is written in the Book of Psalms, “‘May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it’; and “‘Let another take his office.’ So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Peter 5:6-11

Reader: The Epistle Lesson is from 1 Peter the 5th chapter.

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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Stand

HOLY GOSPEL READING

John 17:1-11

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 17th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

“I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG

On Christ’s Ascension I Now Build

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1. On Christ’s ascension I now build The hope of my ascension;
This hope alone has always stilled All doubt and apprehension;
For where the Head is, there as well I know His members are to dwell
When Christ shall come and call them.
2. Since Christ returned to claim His throne, Great gifts for me obtaining,
My heart shall rest in Him alone, No other rest remaining;
For where my treasure went before, There all my thoughts will ever soar
To still their deepest yearning.
3. Oh, grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, Recalling Your ascension,
That I may serve You faithfully, In thanks for my redemption;
And then, when all my days will cease, Let me depart in joy and peace
In answer to my pleading.

SERMON

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People: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

People: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

People: And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERINGS

Presented during Instrumental

*Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!
(2 Corinthians 9:15)*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

After each portion of the prayers:

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom as you teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

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Stand

PREFACE

Spoken

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

Sung

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People: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Let Us Break Bread

1. Let us break bread together on our knees.
Let us break bread together on our knees.

CHORUS: When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees.
Let us drink wine together on our knees. (CHORUS)
3. Let us bow 'round the altar on our knees.
Let us bow 'round the altar on our knees. (CHORUS)

4. Let us praise God together on our knees.
Let us praise God together on our knees. (CHORUS)

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A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

1. A hymn of glory let us sing!
New hymns throughout the world shall ring:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ, by a road before untrod,
Ascends unto the throne of God.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. The holy apostolic band
Upon the Mount of Olives stand,
Alleluia, alleluia!
And with His faithful foll'wers see
Their Lord ascend in majesty.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. To them the shining angels cry,
“Why stand and gaze upon the sky?”
Alleluia, alleluia!
“This is the Savior,” thus they say.
“This is His glorious triumph day.”
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
4. “You see him now, ascending high
Up to the portals of the sky.”
Alleluia, alleluia!
“Hereafter Jesus you shall see
Returning in great majesty.”
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

5. Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,
And be our future great reward.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Then, throned with You forever, we
Shall praise Your name eternally.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
6. O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
All praise to you let earth accord.
Alleluia, alleluia!
You are, while endless ages run,
With Father and with Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

What is This Bread

1. What is this bread?
Christ's body risen from the dead:
This bread we break, This life we take,
Was crushed to pay for our release.
Oh taste and see the Lord is peace.
2. What is this wine?
The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
The cup of grace Brings His embrace
Of life and love until I sing!
Oh taste and see the Lord is King.
3. So who am I,
That I should live and He should die
Under the rod? My God, my God,
Why have You not forsaken me?
Oh taste and see the Lord is free.

4. Yet is God here?

Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear,
In mouth and soul He makes us whole
Christ, truly present in this meal.
Oh taste and see the Lord is real.

5. Is this for me?

I am forgiven and set free!
I do believe That I receive
His very body and His blood. Oh taste and see the Lord is good.

Nothing but the Blood

1. What can wash away my sin?

Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

Refrain Oh! Precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

2. For my pardon this I see,

Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my cleansing, this my plea,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus. (Refrain)

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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Pastor: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

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Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

Rejoice, the Lord is King

1. Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice,
Rejoice, again I say rejoice!
2. His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell Are to our Jesus giv'n:
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!
3. Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the judge shall come
And take His servants up To their eternal home:
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Worship Assistants	10:00 AM
Greeter	Ernie Heuchert
Acolyte	Ali Mayes
Elder	Art Atrops & Mark Hathaway
Usher	Bill Williamson
Lesson Reader	Reese Riddiough
Keyboard/Bass	Erika Miller/Tom Heuchert
Media	Estelle Schofield
Altar Guild	Lori Williamson