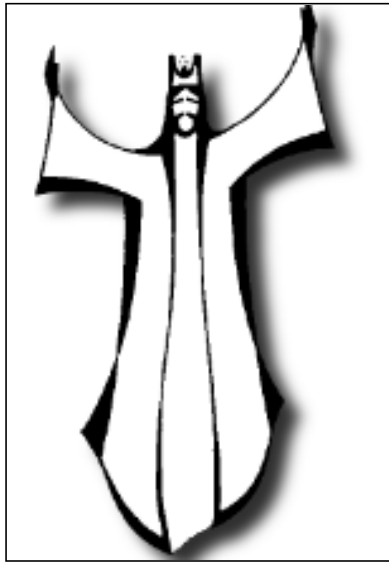




Lutheran Church of Our Savior

✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

Praise – Holy Communion

10:00am

17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 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

Praise Team

Jesus Be the Centre
You Are Crowned with Many Crowns
We’ve Come Here to Praise

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OPENING SONGS

Here in the Water

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1. This is the beginning of a life made new
This is where forever begins with You
I remember the day When You gave me your name
This is the beginning of a life made new
2. This is the beginning of a life made new
This is where forever begins with You
You put the old in the grave With the sin and the shame
This is the beginning of a life made new

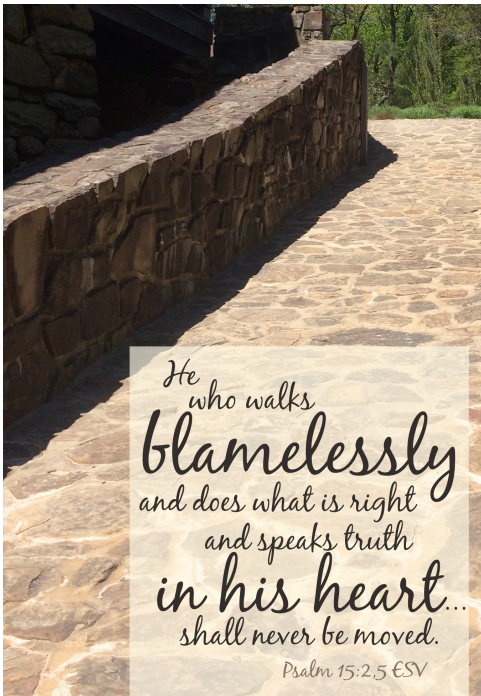
CHORUS The Jordan song goes on and on
My morning dawns Here in the water
Evil depart from my new heart
New mercies start Here in the water

3. This is the beginning of a life made new
This is where forever begins with You
Baptized into death I share Your breath
This is the beginning of a life made new **CHORUS**

I have received I still believe
Your word to me Here in the water
Delivered me And set me free
Your word to me Here in the water **CHORUS**

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *LSB p. 151*

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.

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

Thank You, Lord

Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul,
Thank you, Lord, for making me whole,
Thank you, Lord, for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.

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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: Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done,help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 55:6-9

Reader: The Old Testament Lesson is from Isaiah the 55th chapter.
“Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

Reader: The Epistle Lesson is from Philippians the 1st chapter.

I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Stand

HOLY GOSPEL READING

Matthew 20:1-16

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 20th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ So the last will be first, and the first last.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE GOSPEL MESSAGE FOUND IN THE PSALMS

Psalm 15:1-5

A Psalm of David.

O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill?
He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the Lord; who swears to his own hurt and does not change; who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG

How Deep the Father’s Love for Us

1. How deep the Father’s love for us, How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son, To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss, The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One, Bring many sons to glory
2. Behold the man upon a cross, My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice, Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there, Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished
3. I will not boast in anything, No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom

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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

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 Sabaoth adored; Heaven and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who Comes in the name of the Lord!

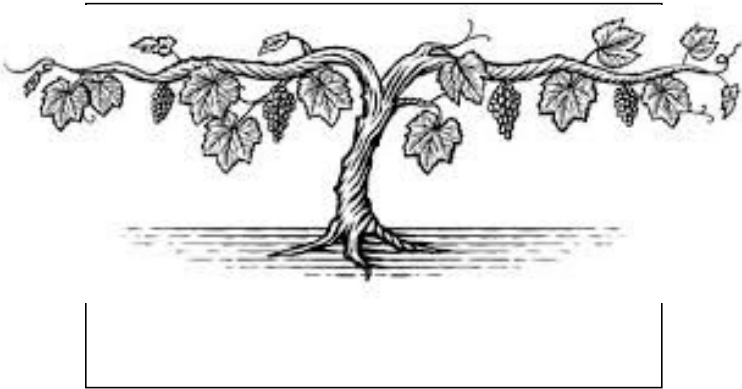
Sabaoth (SAH-bay-oath) is Hebrew for “heavenly host.”
Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning “save us now.”

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

People: Amen.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Let Us Be Bread

CHORUS: Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,
broken and shared, life for the world.
Let us be wine, love freely poured.
Let us be one in the Lord.

- 1. I am the bread of life, broken for all.
Eat now and hunger no more. **CHORUS**
- 2. You are my friends if you keep my commands,
no longer servants but friends. **CHORUS**
- 3. See how my people have nothing to eat.
Give them the bread that is you. **CHORUS**
- 4. As God has loved me so I have loved you.
Go and live on in my love. **CHORUS**

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Cares Chorus

I cast all my cares upon You,
I lay all my burdens down at Your feet,
And anytime I don’t know what to do,
I will cast all my cares upon You. (REPEAT)
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Cry of My Heart

CHORUS: It is the cry of my heart to follow You
It is the cry of my heart to be close to You
It is the cry of my heart to follow, All of the days of my life.

- 1. Teach me Your holy ways oh Lord,
So I can walk in Your truth.
Teach me Your holy ways oh Lord,
And make me wholly devoted to You.**CHORUS**
- 2. Open my eyes so I can see
The wonderful things that You do.
Open my heart up more and more,
And make me wholly devoted to You. **.CHORUS**

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They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, We are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

CHORUS And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand,
And together we’ll spread the news that God is in our land. **CHORUS**

We will work with each other, We will work side by side,
We will work with each other, We will work side by side,
And we’ll guard each man’s dignity and save each man’s pride. **CHORUS**

All praise to the Father, From whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one. **CHORUS**

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT *LSB 212*

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 *LSB 166*

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 *My Life is in You, Lord*

My life is in You, Lord, My strength is in You, Lord
My hope is in You, Lord, In You, it’s in You;

My life is in You, Lord, My strength is in You, Lord
My hope is in You, Lord, In You, it’s in You;

I will praise you with all of my life, I will praise You with all of my strength;
With all of my life, with all of my strength. All of my hope is in You.

My life is in You, Lord, My strength is in You, Lord
My hope is in You, Lord, In You, it’s in You;

My life is in You, Lord, My strength is in You, Lord
My hope is in You, Lord, In You, it’s in You, in You.

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Worship Assistants	10:00 AM
Greeter	Linda Bornhoft
Acolyte	Lucy Chaney
Elder	Mark Hathaway/Greg Amaral
Usher	Jim LaBelle
Lesson Reader	Trista Fry
Keyboard/Bass	Erika Miller/Tom Heuchert
Media	Estelle Schofield
Altar Guild	Sara Chaney