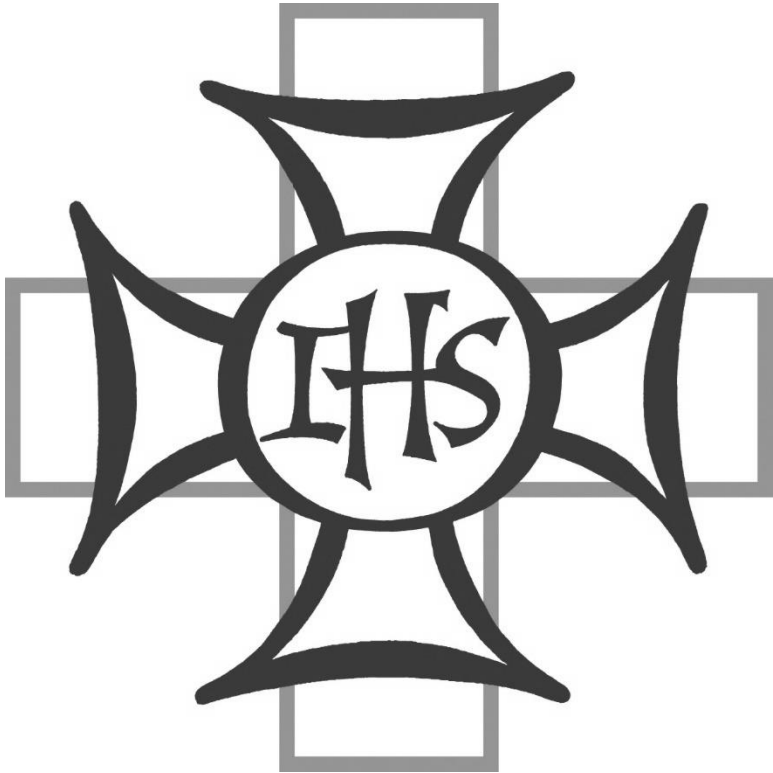


The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



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for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Psalm 136:1–3

Order of Worship

July 28, 2024 9:00 AM

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Introit

Psalm 145:1-3, 6-7; antiphon: v. 5

On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.

They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
and I will declare your greatness.

They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

*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.*

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and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service

Welcome

Invocation

Matthew 28:19

L In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Song We Have Come To Worship The Lord

Horton

Chorus x2, Verse, Chorus x2, Verse, Tag

CHORUS

We have come to wor-ship the Lord,
We have come to wor-ship the Lord,
Bow down be-fore Him, Love and a-dore Him,
We have come to wor-ship the Lord. En-ter
in in - to the Ho - ly Place; En - ter in, and

continued on next page

13
look up - on_ His face; He is worth - y, He is

15
ho - ly, He is Je - sus; En - ter in.

Prayer of Confession

- L** Holy Lord, as we stand in your presence, we are aware of our sins of thought, word, and action.
- C** **We have not always lived our lives according to your will.**
- L** We have often failed to live up to your expectations.
- C** **We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**
- L** But we know your promise, that if we confess our sins,
- C** **you will hear our cry, and grant us your forgiveness.**

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

- L** O Lord, hear us now, as we confess our sins to You.
- C** **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.**

Declaration of Grace

- L** 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.**

Song of Praise

Everlasting God

Brown, Riley

Verse, Chorus 1, Verse, Chorus 2, Bridge, Chorus 2

(4) (4) **VERSE**

Strength will rise as we wait_

up - on the Lord. We will wait up - on the Lord, we will wait

up - on the Lord. Strength will rise as we wait_

up - on the Lord. We will wait up - on the Lord, we will wait

up - on the Lord. Je - sus You reign for - ev

er; our Hope, our strong De - liv 'rer.

CHORUS %

You are the ev - er - last - ing God, the ev -

er - last - ing God. You do not faint, You won't grow

wear - y. You're the de - fend - er of the

weak. You com - fort those in need. You lift

us up on wings like ea - gles. **Interlude (3)**

Je - sus You reign for - ev - er; our Hope, our strong

De - liv - - - 'rer. wings like ea - gles. **CODA**

3rd X to Coda *D.S. al Coda*

Psalm

Psalm 136:1–9

Spoken responsively

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

²**Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his steadfast love endures forever.**

³Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

⁴**to him who alone does great wonders,
for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁵to him who by understanding made the heavens,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

⁶**to him who spread out the earth above the waters,
for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁷to him who made the great lights,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

⁸**the sun to rule over the day,
for his steadfast love endures forever;**

⁹the moon and stars to rule over the night,
for his steadfast love endures forever;

**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.**

Prayer of the Day

L Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, the protector of all who trust in You, strengthen our faith and give us courage to believe that in Your love You will rescue us from all adversities; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 9:8–17

⁸God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹“Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹²And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” ¹⁷God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Ephesians 3:14–21

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 6:45–56

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁵Immediately [Jesus] made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, ⁴⁹but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, ⁵⁰for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ⁵¹And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, ⁵²for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. ⁵⁴And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him ⁵⁵and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and implored him that they might touch even the fringe of his garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Apostles' Creed

LSB 207

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 \dagger everlasting. Amen.**

Song of the Day **How Deep the Father's Love For Us** *Townend*

Verse 1, Verse 2, Verse 3

1.How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how
(2.Be) - hold the Man up - on the cross, my
(3.1) will not boast in any - y - thing; no

vast be - yond all meas - ure that
sin up - on His shoul - ders. A -
gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dome. But

He should give His on - ly Son to
shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call
I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His

make a wretch His treas - ure. How
out a - mong the scof - - - fers. It
death and res - ur - rec - - - tion. Why

great the pain of sear - ing loss. The
was my sin that held Him there un -
should I gain from His re - ward? I

Fa - ther turns His face a - way as
til it was ac - com - - plished; His
can - not give an an - - - swer. But

wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring
dy - ing breath has brought me life. I
this I know with all my heart: His

man - y sons to glo - - - ry. 2.Be -
know that it is fin - - - ished. 3.1
wounds havepaid my ran - - - som.

Prayers of the Church Family and the Lord's Prayer

- L** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

- L** Lord, in your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- L** Heavenly Father, You name every family in heaven and on earth. We give thanks for our brothers and sisters in Christ who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labors. Preserve us in the faith so that Christ might dwell in our hearts richly until that day when we join them around Your throne; for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

- L** Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:
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.

Benediction

LSB 212

- L** The Lord bless us and keep us.
 The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.
 The Lord look upon us with favor and ☩ give us peace.
- C** **Amen.**

Closing Song

You Have Saved Us

Baloche, Gowell

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus, Chorus, Chorus

[4] VERSE

1. Who am I that You would know me,
 2. Turn your hearts from earth - ly i - dols,

4 who are we to You, Lord? You have shown Your
 turn our eyes to You, Lord. On - ly You can

7 love and mer - cy, we are stran - gers no more. We are
 heal what's bro - ken, on - ly You can re - store.

10 daugh - ters, we are sons all be - cause of what You've done.

15 CHORUS
 You have saved us, You have raised

16 us up with You. You have saved us,
 19 called us out and made us new, yeah.

22 1 - Repeat to Verse 2 [3] 2 - to Instrumental
 You have saved us, yeah.

26 [7]
 We are daugh - ters, we are sons all be -

30 CHORUS
 cause of what You've done. You have saved us,

34
 You have raised us up with You. You have saved us,

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38
called us out and made us new. You have saved us,

42
You have raised us up with You. You have saved us,

46
called us out and made us new, yeah.

49
You have saved us.

52
You have saved us. You have saved us.

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Resources for Meditation this Week

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

28 July 2024

Readings

Genesis 9:8–17

Ephesians 3:14–21

Mark 6:45–56

Creation Is Redeemed and Sanctified by the Word of Christ Jesus

Having spared faithful Noah and his family from the flood, the Lord established His covenant with them, *“and with every living creature,”* that never again would there be *“a flood to destroy the earth”* (Gen. 9:9–11). He signed and sealed this everlasting covenant with His rainbow in the clouds, by which He sees and remembers His promise that *“the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh”* (Gen. 9:13–16). Although creation suffers under the curse of sin, the Lord preserves and orders creation for the benefit of His Church. In particular, all of creation is redeemed and sanctified by the incarnate Son of God. *“Take heart,”* and *“do not be afraid,”* for He is with you on the sea. He is not a ghost, but He has come in the flesh to save you. He has gotten *“into the boat”* with you, and the wind that was against you has ceased (Mark 6:45–51). For He is the Word and promise of the Father, and His own flesh and blood are the covenant by which you are *“strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being”* (Eph. 3:16–17).



Readings

Exodus 16:2–15

Ephesians 4:1–16

John 6:22–35

Jesus Is the True and Living Bread from Heaven

Having rescued Israel *“out of the land of Egypt”* (Ex. 16:6), the Lord manifested His glory and made Himself known to His people. He fed them with *“meat to eat”* in the evening and with *“bread from heaven”* in the morning (Ex. 16:4, 8, 12). But now, the *“true bread from heaven,”* which the Father gives to you, is the Son, *“who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world”* (John 6:32–33). Whoever comes to Him *“shall not hunger,”* and whoever believes in Him *“shall never thirst.”* He is *“the bread of life,”* who gives Himself to you as *“the food that endures to eternal life”* (John 6:27, 35). By the gracious working of God, you believe in Him by the calling of one Spirit through the Gospel, so that you also have *“one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all”* (Eph. 4:4–6). As you eat His one body in the Holy Supper, so you belong to the one Body of His Church, in which you *“are to grow up in every way into him who is the head”* (Eph. 4:15).

