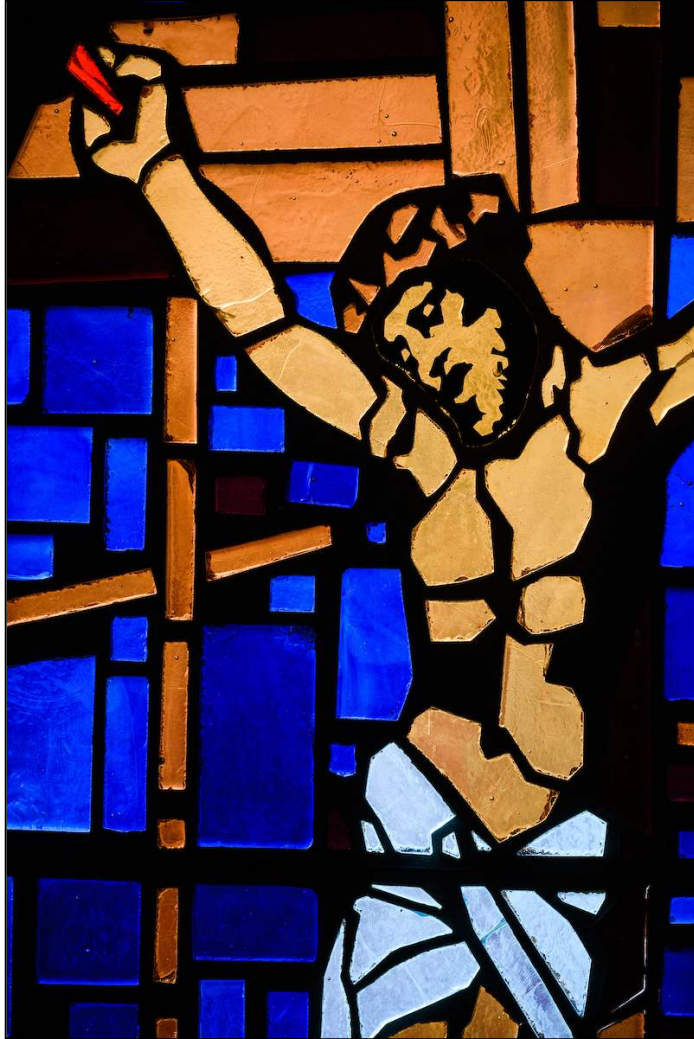


SOLA SCRIPTURA ✘ SOLA GRATIA ✘ SOLA FIDE

# *Divine Service*



*Our Savior Lutheran Church*

*Westminster, Massachusetts*

1 Hager Park Road  
(Junction 140, 2, and 2A)  
Westminster, MA 01473

# Our Savior Lutheran Church

July 2, 2023

office@oursaviorlcms.com  
church: 978-874-2479  
www.oursaviorlcms.com

## Visitor, you are very welcome here.

Please contact us with questions or prayer requests, and come worship with us again. Our pastor would be very glad to meet with you. May our Lord's Word be a blessing to all who gather in His name.

For those caring for young children or who have difficulty standing for the prayers, hymns, or other parts of the service, please know that you may sit as you find need or comfort.

Don't be embarrassed if your children make noise during worship—all children do. We encourage families to worship together. If needed for children under three years old, there is a nursery available in the basement during service and Bible class.

Out of courtesy to your brothers and sisters, please turn off your cell phone ringer and refrain from leaving or entering the sanctuary during the readings and the prayers.

## Holy Communion

We welcome to the Lord's Table members of Our Savior and members of sister congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Pastor Gregory would be very glad to instruct you so that you can confess Jesus Christ with us and receive His holy body and blood for forgiveness, life, and salvation.

## Spiritual Care

Individual confession and absolution, spiritual care, and pastoral counsel are available by appointment. Please contact the church office to schedule a time.

## Christian Education

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study follow the service. Pre-Kindergarten through seventh grade students meet in the basement, high school students in pastors' study, and adults in the sanctuary.

## Serving in Worship Today

Preacher & Celebrant	The Rev. Jason D. Lane
Liturgist	Dave Farabaugh
Organist	Anne Bennet
Acolytes	Landon Vega, George Newman

## Prayer for Worship

*For Saints Peter & Paul (June 29):* Merciful and eternal God, Your holy apostles Peter and Paul received grace and strength to lay down their lives for the sake of Your Son. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that we may confess Your truth and at all times be ready to lay down our lives for Him who laid down His life for us, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*To behold our Savior and His cross:* Merciful and everlasting God, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all that He might bear our sins on the cross. Grant that our eyes may ever behold our Savior and His cross, that we may not fear the power of any adversaries but rather rejoice in His victory for us; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*For right reception of the Lord's Supper:* O Lord, our God, in Holy Baptism You have called us to be Christians and granted us the remission of sins. Make us ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all our sins, and grant us grateful hearts that we may give thanks to You, O Father, to Your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Cover Illustration

Stained glass depicting Jesus Christ crucified at Iglesia Luterana Cristo El Salvador, Del Rio, Texas.

© 2021 The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.  
photos.lcms.org

THE OPENING HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 648

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p><b>1</b> Glorious things of you are spoken,<br/>Zion, city of our God;<br/>He whose word cannot be broken<br/>Formed you for His own abode.<br/>On the Rock of Ages founded,<br/>What can shake your sure repose?<br/>With salvation's walls surrounded,<br/>You may smile at all your foes.</p> <p><b>2</b> See, the streams of living waters,<br/>Springing from eternal love,<br/>Well supply your sons and daughters<br/>And all fear of want remove.<br/>Who can faint while such a river<br/>Ever will their thirst assuage?<br/>Grace, which like the Lord, the giver,<br/>Never fails from age to age.</p> | <p><b>3</b> Round each habitation hov'ring,<br/>See the cloud and fire appear<br/>For a glory and a cov'ring,<br/>Showing that the Lord is near.<br/>Thus deriving from their banner<br/>Light by night and shade by day,<br/>Safe they feed upon the manna<br/>Which God gives them on their way.</p> <p><b>4</b> Savior, since of Zion's city<br/>I through grace a member am,<br/>Let the world deride or pity,<br/>I will glory in Your name.<br/>Fading are the world's vain pleasures,<br/>All their boasted pomp and show;<br/>Solid joys and lasting treasures<br/>None but Zion's children know.</p> |
|---|---|

Text: Public domain

THE INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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

**Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

*Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near with sincere hearts to confess our sins to God, our Father, and to plead in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ for His forgiveness.*

*Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.*

Psalm 124:8

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

Psalm 32:5

**All-Powerful God, merciful Father, I, a poor, pitiful sinner, confess to You all my sins and unrighteousness. By them I have continually offended You and fairly deserved Your punishment, both now and eternally. But from my heart I am sorry for them, and I sincerely repent of them, and I pray You, in Your limitless mercy for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

# *The Absolution*

[John 20:19–23]

**Amen**

THE INTROIT

Psalm 89:1, 15–18

*I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;*  
**with my mouth I will make known Your faithfulness to all generations.**

*Blessèd are the people who know the festal shout,*  
**who walk, O LORD, in the light of Your face,**  
*who exult in Your name all the day*  
**and in Your righteousness are exalted.**

*For You are the glory of their strength;*  
**by Your favor our horn is exalted.**

*For our shield belongs to the LORD,*  
**our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

THE GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE KYRIE

Mark 10:47

**Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.**

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

*Glory to God on high:*

**and on earth peace, good will toward men.**

**We praise You, we bless You, we worship You,**

**We glorify You, we give thanks to You for Your great glory.**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

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

**You take away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**

**You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.**

**For You only are holy; You only are the Lord.**

**You only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,**  
**are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22

*The Lord be with you.*

**And with your spirit.**

THE COLLECT

*Let us pray. Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

## ***The Reading of God's Word***

*from the Old Testament: Jeremiah 28:5–9*

*After the reading:*

*This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

THE PSALM

*Psalm 119:153–160; antiphon v. 154*

*Plead my cause and redeem me;*

**give me life according to Your promise!**

*Look on my affliction and deliver me,*

**for I do not forget Your law.**

*Plead my cause and redeem me;*

**give me life according to Your promise!**

*Salvation is far from the wicked,*

**for they do not seek Your statutes.**

*Great is Your mercy, O LORD;*

**give me life according to Your just decrees.**

*Many are my persecutors and my adversaries,*

**but I do not swerve from Your testimonies.**

*I look at the faithless with disgust,*

**because they do not keep Your commands.**

*Consider how I love Your precepts!*

**Give me life according to Your steadfast love.**

*The sum of Your word is truth,*

**and every one of Your just and righteous decrees endures forever.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

*Plead my cause and redeem me;*

**give me life according to Your promise!**

*from the Letters: Romans 7:1–13*

*After the reading:*

*This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

*from the Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:34–42*

**Glory be to You, O Lord!**

*After the reading:*

**Praise be to You, O Christ!**

THE NICENE CREED

*Having heard the Word, what do you believe?*

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

**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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father, and He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe in one, holy, catholic, 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.**

HYMN OF THE DAY – TUNE: TLH 409 – TEXT: LSB 685

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <p><b>1</b> Let us ever walk with Jesus,<br/>Follow His example pure,<br/>Through a world that would deceive us<br/>And to sin our spirits lure.<br/>Onward in His footsteps treading,<br/>Pilgrims here, our home above,<br/>Full of faith and hope and love,<br/>Let us do the Father's bidding.<br/>Faithful Lord, with me abide;<br/>I shall follow where You guide.</p> | <p><b>2</b> Let us suffer here with Jesus<br/>And with patience bear our cross.<br/>Joy will follow all our sadness;<br/>Where He is, there is no loss.<br/>Though today we sow no laughter,<br/>We shall reap celestial joy;<br/>All discomforts that annoy<br/>Shall give way to mirth hereafter.<br/>Jesus, here I share Your woe;<br/>Help me there Your joy to know.</p> |
|--|---|

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.  
Since by death He conquered death,  
He will free us from destruction,  
Give to us immortal breath.  
Let us mortify all passion  
That would lead us into sin;  
And the grave that shuts us in  
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.  
Jesus, here with You I die,  
There to live with You on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus.  
He has risen from the dead  
That to life we may awaken.  
Jesus, You are now our head.  
We are Your own living members;  
Where You live, there we shall be  
In Your presence constantly,  
Living there with You forever.  
Jesus, let me faithful be,  
Life eternal grant to me.

Text: © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002389

## *The Sermon*

THE OFFERTORY

*Psalm 51:10–12*

Create in me a pure heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Do not cast me out of Your presence,  
nor take Your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,  
and sustain me with a free spirit. Amen.

### *The Presentation of the Offering*

*I will offer the thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the LORD.*

**O LORD, my strength, I love You.**

### *The Prayer of the Church*

*after each petition:*

*Lord, in Your mercy,  
hear our prayer.*

THE PREFACE

*The Lord be with you.  
And with your spirit.*

*2 Timothy 4:22*

*Lift up your hearts.*

*[Colossians 3:1]*

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

*[Psalm 136]*

**It is good and right that we do.**

THE PROPER PREFACE

*It is truly meet, 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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:*

THE SANCTUS

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

**Holy, holy, holy LORD God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He  
who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9–13*

**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 Institution***

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

THE PAX DOMINI

*John 20:19*

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

THE AGNUS DEI

*John 1:29*

**O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world,  
grant us Your peace. Amen.**

## ***Holy Communion***

*> Note about Holy Communion: All who receive Holy Communion here must first be instructed. Our pastor will be very glad to instruct you. Please contact the office for an appointment. Those who have not been instructed may come forward with their arms crossed to receive a blessing. <*

*Psalm 46 (antiphon: v. 11)*



*DISTRIBUTION HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 851*

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice;  
And with that have freely given  
Blessings countless as the sand  
To the\_unthankful and the evil  
With Your own unsparing hand.
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You  
Gladly, freely of Your own.  
With the sunshine of Your goodness  
Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by You, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed  
'Tis to give than to receive.
- 3 Wondrous honor You have given  
To our humblest charity  
In Your own mysterious sentence,  
"You have done it all to Me."  
Can it be, O gracious Master,  
That You deign for alms to sue,  
Saying by Your poor and needy,  
"Give as I have giv'n to you"?
- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us  
With Your lifeblood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice.  
Give us faith to trust You boldly,  
Hope, to stay our souls on You;  
But, oh, best of all Your graces,  
With Your love our love renew.

Text: Public domain

*DISTRIBUTION HYMN – TUNE: TLH 511 – TEXT: LSB 832*

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To Him shall endless prayer be made,  
And endless praises crown His head;  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise  
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- 3 People and realms of ev'ry tongue  
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on His name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns:  
The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains,  
The weary find eternal rest,  
And all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring  
Honors peculiar to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the loud amen.

Text: Public domain

DISTRIBUTION HYMN – TUNE & TEXT: LSB 683



1 Je - sus, Thy bound - less love to me No thought can reach, no  
 2 O grant that noth - ing in my soul May dwell, but Thy pure  
 3 This love un - wearied I pur - sue And daunt - less - ly to  
 4 In suf - f'ring be Thy love my peace, In weak - ness be Thy



tongue de - clare; U - nite my thank - ful heart to Thee,  
 love a - lone; Oh, may Thy love pos - sess me whole,  
 Thee as - pire. Oh, may Thy love my hope re - new,  
 love my pow'r; And when the storms of life shall cease,



And reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly, Thine a -  
 My joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness from my  
 Burn in my soul like heav'n - ly fire! And day and night, be  
 O Je - sus, in that fi - nal hour, Be Thou my rod and



lone I am; Be Thou a - lone my con - stant flame.  
 heart re - move; My ev - 'ry act, word, thought be love.  
 all my care To guard this sa - cred trea - sure there.  
 staff and guide, And draw me safe - ly to Thy side!

Text: Public domain. Tune: © Oxford University Press. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002389

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29–32

**Now, Lord, You dismiss Your servant in peace, as You have promised,  
 for my eyes have seen the Salvation You prepared before the face of all people,  
 a Light to enlighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Your people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE THANKSGIVING

Psalms 107:1

*Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,  
 and His mercy endures forever.*

THE THANKSGIVING COLLECT

*Let us pray. We thank You, all-powerful God, for refreshing us with this healing gift, and we pray: Father of mercy, by this holy food make us strong in faith toward You, and in deep love for each other, that through us other beloved sinners may kneel to You and receive with us grace and life in Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

THE SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22

*The Lord be with you.*  
**And with your spirit.**

THE BENEDICAMUS

[Psalm 103:1]

*Bless we the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

THE BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

*The LORD bless you and keep you.*  
*The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.*  
*The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.*  
**Amen. Amen. Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN – TUNE: TLH 175, FIRST TUNE – TEXT: LSB 425

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p><b>1</b> When I survey the wondrous cross<br/>On which the Prince of Glory died,<br/>My richest gain I count but loss<br/>And pour contempt on all my pride.</p> <p><b>2</b> Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast<br/>Save in the death of Christ, my God;<br/>All the vain things that charm me most,<br/>I sacrifice them to His blood.</p> | <p><b>3</b> See, from His head, His hands, His feet<br/>Sorrow and love flow mingled down!<br/>Did e'er such love and sorrow meet<br/>Or thorns compose so rich a crown?</p> <p><b>4</b> Were the whole realm of nature mine,<br/>That were a tribute far too small;<br/>Love so amazing, so divine,<br/>Demands my soul, my life, my all!</p> |
|--|--|

Text: Public domain

# God's People at Prayer

## For Home Devotions

*The sign of the cross may be made in remembrance of Baptism.*

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

### Readings from Holy Scripture

*These may be read in the morning and evening, as suggested  
here, or in any way that best works with your schedule.*

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Su	Joshua 7:1–26	Acts 10:34–48
M	Joshua 8:1–28	Acts 11:1–18
Tu	Joshua 10:1–25	Acts 11:19–30
W	Joshua 23:1–16	Acts 12:1–25
Th	Joshua 24:1–31	Acts 13:1–12
F	Judges 2:6–23	Acts 13:13–41
Sa	Judges 3:7–31	Acts 13:42–52

### The Sacrament of the Altar

*As the head of the family should teach it to his household.*

*Who does Christ our Lord say about this Sacrament? He says, "This is My body and blood, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins."*

*From the Large Catechism: If, therefore, you are heavy laden and feel your weakness, then go joyfully to this Sacrament and receive refreshment, comfort, and strength. If you wait until you are rid of such burdens, so that you might come to the Sacrament pure and worthy, you must stay away forever. In that case Christ pronounces sentence and says, "If you are pure and godly, you have no need of Me, and I, in turn, no need of you." Therefore, the only people who are called unworthy are those who neither feel their weaknesses nor wish to be considered sinners.*

Luther's Small Catechism © 1986 Concordia Publishing House, cph.org.  
LC V, 72–74.

### Verse for Meditation

Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever  
loses his life for My sake will find it.

*Matthew 10:39*

### Hymn

*The hymn stanza may be sung or spoken.*

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss  
And pour contempt on all my pride.  
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
Save in the death of Christ, my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood. *LSB 425:1–2*

### Daily Prayer

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

### Prayers for Others and Ourselves

*The following topics may guide your prayer each day.*

- Su For the joy of the resurrection among us
- M For one's calling and daily work, coworkers,  
and the unemployed
- Tu For deliverance against temptation and evil;  
for all who suffer and are afflicted
- W For immediate, extended, and church family;  
for our schools, communities, and  
neighborhoods
- Th For the Church and her pastors, all who serve  
in the congregation, and missionaries
- F For the preaching of the holy cross of our  
Lord Jesus Christ; for the sick and dying
- Sa For faithfulness to the end; for receptive  
hearts and minds to God's Word

### The Lord's Prayer

#### Collect of the Week

Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit,  
grant that we may gladly hear Your Word  
proclaimed among us and follow its directing;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### Readings for next Sunday, July 9

Zech. 9:9–12; Ps. 145; Rom. 7:14–25a; Matt 11:25–30