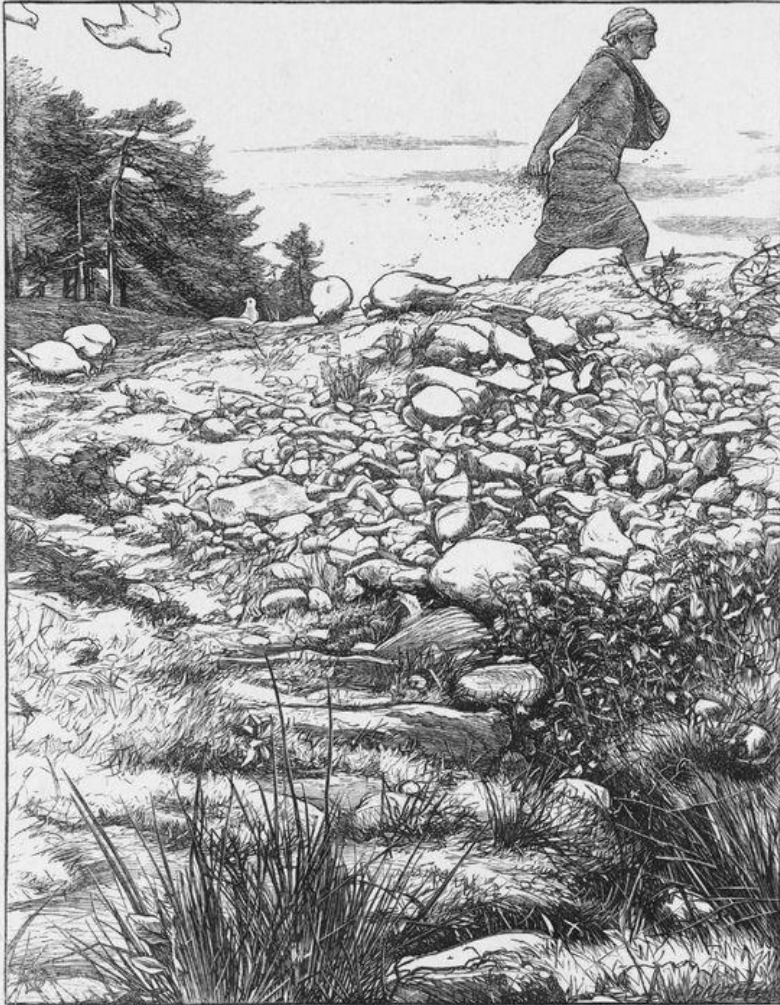


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# *Divine Service*



*Our Savior Lutheran Church*

*Westminster, Massachusetts*

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# Our Savior Lutheran Church

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## Service Guidelines

- Follow the directions of greeters, hosts, Pastor, and elders about how and when to enter, where to sit, how to receive communion, when to exit, and so forth
- Don't come if you are sick, have symptoms, or have potentially been exposed
- No handshakes, hugs, or touches. Keep 6 feet apart unless you are a joint household
- Masks are to be worn at all times (if possible), especially entering, exiting, and moving about
- Movement into & out of the sanctuary should be kept to a minimum
- Be gracious & considerate of your neighbors
- Don't overcrowd – cars, conversations/groups in walkways or doorways, etc.
- Extended conversations are encouraged, but outdoors & after service

## Holy Communion

We welcome to the Lord's Table members of Our Savior and members of sister congregations of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Visitors may come forward with arms crossed for a blessing. Our pastor would be 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.

The body of Christ will be placed into the hand. The blood of Christ will be received from individual glass cups. Distribution will be in a continuous line rather than at the altar rail.

## Spiritual Care

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

## Serving in Worship Today

Preacher & Celebrant	Rev. Peter Gregory
Assisting (9:00 am)	Dave Farabaugh
(11:00 am)	Tom Connell
Organist (9:00 & 11:00 am)	Anne Bennet
(7:00 pm)	Judy Greenlees

## Prayers for Worship

*On Sunday morning:* Shed Your Holy Spirit upon Your people, O Lord, and make ready our hearts this day to hear and keep Your holy Word that in the communion of Your congregation we may rightly sanctify Your holy day and through Your Word with all Your saints come to eternal blessedness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*For blessing on the Word:* Lord God, bless Your Word everywhere it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through 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.

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OPENING HYMN—TUNE & TEXT: LSB 686

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| <p>1 <b>Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,<br/>Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;<br/>Streams of mercy, never ceasing,<br/>Call for songs of loudest praise.<br/>While the hope of endless glory<br/>Fills my heart with joy and love,<br/>Teach me ever to adore Thee;<br/>May I still Thy goodness prove.</b></p> <p>2 <b>Here I raise my Ebenezer,<br/>Hither by Thy help I've come;<br/>And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,<br/>Safely to arrive at home.<br/>Jesus sought me when a stranger,<br/>Wand'ring from the fold of God;<br/>He, to rescue me from danger,<br/>Interposed His precious blood.</b></p> | <p>3 <b>Oh, to grace how great a debtor<br/>Daily I'm constrained to be;<br/>Let that grace now like a fetter<br/>Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:<br/>Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;<br/>Prone to leave the God I love.<br/>Here's my heart, O take and seal it,<br/>Seal it for Thy courts above.</b></p> <p>4 <b>Oh, that day when freed from sinning,<br/>I shall see Thy lovely face;<br/>Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,<br/>How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!<br/>Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;<br/>Take my ransom'd soul away;<br/>Send Thine angels soon to carry<br/>Me to realms of endless day.</b></p> |
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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 to 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 103:8, 15–19

*The LORD is merciful and gracious,*  
**slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

*As for man, his days are like grass;*  
**he flourishes like a flower of the field;**

*for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,*  
**and its place knows it no more.**

*But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him,*  
**and His righteousness to children’s children,**

*to those who keep His covenant*  
**and remember to do His commandments.**

*The LORD has established His throne in the heavens,*  
**and His kingdom rules over all.**

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 Lord be with you.*

**And with your spirit.**

## THE COLLECT

*Let us pray. Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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: Isaiah 55:10–13*

*After the reading:*

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

*from the Letters: Romans 8:12–17*

*After the reading:*

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

*from the Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23*

**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.**

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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 & TEXT: LSB 577

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| <p>1 Almighty God, Your Word is cast<br/>Like seed into the ground;<br/>Now let the dew of heav'n descend<br/>And righteous fruits abound.</p> | <p>3 Let not the world's deceitful cares<br/>The rising plant destroy,<br/>But let it yield a hundredfold<br/>The fruits of peace and joy.</p>     |
| <p>2 Let not the sly satanic foe<br/>This holy seed remove,<br/>But give it root in ev'ry heart<br/>To bring forth fruits of love.</p>         | <p>4 So when the precious seed is sown,<br/>Life-giving grace bestow<br/>That all whose souls the truth receive<br/>Its saving pow'r may know.</p> |

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## *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.

*Note: The offering of tithes and gifts will take place as you come forward for Holy Communion*

## *The Prayer of the Church*

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*

*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.*

*For those who will be receiving Holy Communion, please follow the directions of the hosts and pastor. Distribution will be in a continuous line, not at the altar rail. The body of Christ will be given into the hand. The blood of Christ will be received from individual glass cups.*

*During the distribution, silently pray for your brothers and sisters in Christ present and absent, for those in need, for your own family and friends, and for yourselves.*

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

Psalm 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.*



- 1 **Now thank we all our God**  
With hearts and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done,  
In whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mothers' arms  
Has blest us on our way  
With countless gifts of love  
And still is ours today.
- 2 **Oh, may this bounteous God**  
Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us  
And keep us in His grace  
And guide us when perplexed  
And free us from all ills  
In this world and the next!
- △ 3 **All praise and thanks to God**  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God,  
Whom earth and heav'n adore;  
For thus it was, is now,  
And shall be evermore.





# 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	Judges 7:1–23	Galatians 1:1–24
M	Judges 13:1–25	Galatians 2:1–21
Tu	Judges 14:1–20	Galatians 3:1–22
W	Judges 15:1–16:3	Galatians 3:23–4:11
Th	Judges 16:4–30	Galatians 4:12–31
F	1 Samuel 1:1–20	Galatians 5:1–26
Sa	1 Samuel 1:21–2:17	Galatians 6:1–18

### The Ten Commandments

*As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to his household.*

*The Fifth Commandment:*

You shall not murder.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

*From the Large Catechism:* Therefore, God wishes to remove the root and source of this bitterness toward our neighbor. He wants us to keep the commandment ever before our eyes as a mirror in which to see ourselves, so that we may be attentive to his will and with hearty confidence and prayer commit to him whatever wrong we suffer. Then we shall be content to let our enemies rave and rage and do their worst. Thus we may learn to calm our anger and have a patient, gentle heart, especially toward those who have given us occasion for anger, namely, our enemies.

### Hymn

*The hymn stanza may be sung or spoken.*

Almighty God, Your Word is cast

Like seed into the ground;

Now let the dew of heav'n descend

And righteous fruits abound.

LSB 577:1

### 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

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### Readings for the Sixth Sun. after Pentecost, July 12

Isaiah 44:6–8; Romans 8:18–27; Matt. 13:24–30, 36–43