8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 3, 2025



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP, SETTING 3 (PAGES 138-145)

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PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

P: Merciful God,

C: You free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

P: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C: Amen.

HYMN #393 "A HYMN OF GLORY LET US SING"

GREETING (PAGE 138)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

▶ KYRIE (*PAGE 138-139*)

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: 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.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. (concluding...now and forever.)

C: Amen

READINGS

ECCLESIASTES 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 | PSALM 49:1-12 | COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (PAGE 142)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LUKE 12:13-21

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN #655 "SON OF GOD, ETERNAL SAVIOR"

CONFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world. (A brief silence)

(Each petition ends: P: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.)

P: Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

PEACE (*PAGE 143*)

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(Greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray. (concluding...our Savior and Lord.)

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (PAGE 145)

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.

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN #777 "COME TO ME, ALL PILGRIMS THIRSTY"

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

RINGING OF THE BELL

POSTLUDE

Those to keep in prayer: Karen Hogan, Lydia Szelag, Mallory Bousselot, Cathy Goddard, Margarett Travaille, the homebound: Carol Christensen, Delores Lahann, Myrna Kay Peterson, Vera St. John, and Bus Seastrand; and those serving in the military, Andrew Grau.

Pastor: Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen

Organist: Jason Bousselot or Linda Whitman

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This Week At a Glance August 3, 2025

Thursday, July 31 st –	Pastor Leah on vacation
Monday, August 4 th	

Wednesday,	
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August 6 th -	Church office is closed
August 11 th	Pastor Leah will be
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August 6 th	6:30 pm	Education Committee
		Meeting at Faith

Sunday,

August 10 th	8:00 am	Worship at Our Savior's
	9·30 am	Worship at Faith

Monday, August 11 th –	Pastor Leah out of the office
Wednesday, August 13 th	

Thursday, August 14th – Saturday, August 16th

Pastor Leah on vacation

Announcements

Summer Worship Schedule

Worship at Our Savior's will be at 8:00 am inside and Worship at Faith will be at 9:30 am outside (weather permitting).

Pastor Leah out of the office

Pastor Leah will be on vacation July 31st to August 4th. She will not be available by phone or email.

Pastor Leah will be out of the office August 11th – August 13th, she will be available by phone or email.

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Announcements

Feeding the Children

The Christian Outreach Committee is now collecting food for the "Feed the Children" project. Items can be placed in the grocery cart at Faith and at the back of the church at Our Savior's. The signup sheet is located on the table by the church office at Faith. Please email or call Pastor Leah or Nicole to sign up.

Grace Ev Lutheran Church – Concert in the park

Brendan Brooks will be performing on August 17th, at Lincoln Park (6th Ave & 11th St, Dewitt). Opening Act starts at 4:00 pm and Concert starts at 5:00 pm. Free Food. www.gracedewitt.org

"Praise Beyond The Earth" Organ Concert featuring Carter Horman

You are warmly invited to a special organ concert, Praise Beyond the Earth, performed by Carter Horman on Sunday, August 17th at 2:00 p.m. at Zion United Church of Christ in Lowden, Iowa. This program will take listeners on a journey of sacred sound — from earthly fields to eternal heights — and will include a mix of sacred hymns, cinematic themes, and classical masterpieces. The repertoire features works by J.S. Bach, Buxtehude, Holst, Hans Zimmer, and more. Carter has poured heart and passion into preparing this music and is eager to share it with the community. A free-will donation will be received to support Carter's 2026 international tour with The Wartburg Choir. Come enjoy an afternoon of powerful music and support a young musician in his musical journey.

We Need Your Help!

While Pastor Leah is on parental leave this fall, there will be some opportunities for members of our parish to assist with worship leadership and confirmation lessons. If you are able and interested in assisting please let Pastor Leah and Nicole know! Please do not hesitate to reach out to Pastor Leah with any questions. Thank you in advance for your leadership and willingness to serve!

Worship Leadership

We are looking for folks to be willing to lead worship on the following Sundays. If you prepare a sermon, we ask that you would be willing to lead at both services. If a sermon is already prepared or no sermon is needed that day (noted below), we would like one person from each congregation to be willing to lead worship that day. Thank you!

- October 12th (Pr. Leah will prepare a sermon, one leader from each church)
- November 30th (Hanging of the Greens, no sermon)
- December 28th (One service at Faith, Pr. Leah will prepare a sermon)

Confirmation Classes

We will be learning about the Small Catechism in confirmation this year. Below are the dates and Small Catechism topics for that evening. Pr. Leah asks that one or two people would prepare a story about what your chosen topic means to you and your life of faith (10-15 minutes total). There will be an outline of a timeline and discussion questions prepared for the leader and the confirmands for each class. Confirmation is at 6PM at Faith on Wednesday Evenings. Pastor Leah will assist you in preparing to lead for that evening. Thank you!

- October 29th Commandments 7-10
- November 5th Apostles' Creed Article 1
- November 12th Apostles' Creed Article 2
- November 19th Apostles' Creed Article 3