

# 10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 17, 2025



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

# **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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

*The **liturgy** is in the front of the ELW with numbers at the bottom of the pages.  
The **hymns** begin in the middle of the ELW with numbers at the top of the pages.*

### **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 #796 "HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION"**

### **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, 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, 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**

**JEREMIAH 23:23-29 | PSALM 82 | HEBREWS 11:29-12:2**

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 12:49-56**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **YOUTH SERMON – Noisy Offering**

**SERMON – Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen**

## **HYMN #705 “GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY”**

## **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: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

*(A brief silence)*

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

P: Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

**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.)*

#### **OFFERING**

##### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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

**C: Amen.**

#### **♫ GREAT THANKSGIVING (PAGE 144)**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right....and join their unending hymn:

♫ **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna, Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### **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.**

## ***HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED TODAY***

*All who are baptized into Christ Jesus are invited to receive Holy Communion  
Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available.*

♫ **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace.**

## **HYMN #686 "WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN"**

### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and  
keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen**

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN (HYMN #820)**

**♫ O Savior, precious Savior,  
whom yet unseen, we love;  
O name of might and favor,  
all other names above:  
we worship thee; we bless thee,  
to thee alone we sing;  
we praise thee and confess thee,  
our holy Lord and King.**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. (*concluding...Jesus Christ our Lord.*)

**C: Amen.**

**BLESSING**

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

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN #818 “O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU”**

**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 Bousset, Cathy Goddard, Margaret 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  
**Acolyte:** Wyatt Easterday  
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**This Week At a Glance**  
**August 17, 2025**

Monday,  
August 18<sup>th</sup>

September newsletter items are due.

Friday,  
August 22<sup>nd</sup> –  
Sunday,  
August 24<sup>th</sup>

Calamus Fun Days

Sunday,  
August 24<sup>th</sup>     10:00 am

Community Worship at  
Calamus Park

**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).

**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 sign-up sheet is located on the table by the church office at Faith. Please email or call Pastor Leah or Nicole to sign up.

**Confirmation Meeting**

We will have a brief meeting for our confirmation aged young people and their parents on Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm held at Faith. At this meeting we will go over our schedule and expectations for the year.

## **Announcements**

### **August Worship One Service Only**

On August 24<sup>th</sup>, we will have on service at the Calamus Community Park at 10:00 am. On August 31<sup>st</sup>, we have One Worship at 9:00 am at Our Savior's.

### **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, **Still need: Faith service**)
- **November 30th** (Hanging of the Greens, no sermon) **Still need: Faith Service**
- **December 28th** (**One service at Faith**, Pr. Leah will prepare a sermon)

## **Announcements**

### **Grace Ev Lutheran Church – Concert in the park**

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