SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost Saturday, August 2, 2025 @ 5pm Sunday, August 3, 2025 @ 8:30am, Livestreamed

INVOCATION
Opening Hymn

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

"We Give Thee but Thine Own"

(v. 1, 2, 4-6) Hymn #410

We give thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus As stewards true receive, And gladly, as thou blessest us, To thee our first-fruits give.

To comfort and to bless, To find a balm for woe, To tend those lost in loneliness, Is angels' work below.

The captive to release, The lost to God to bring, To teach the way of life and peace – It is a Christlike thing.

And we believe thy word, Though dim our faith may be: Whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, We do it unto thee.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:8-9)

(Please observe a moment of silence for personal reflection and self-examination)

Most merciful God.

We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and 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. 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

Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by His authority, I therefore declare to you who do truly repent and believe in Jesus Christ, the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with You.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Heavenly Father, our lives and our possessions are a gift from You. Help us to place our trust in You instead of trusting in the gifts You have given us. Make us generous for the sake of our neighbor and for the sake of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

PASTOR'S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD

FIRST READING Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

OT p. 603

(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-11

NT p. 1075

(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")

SPECIAL MUSIC (SUN)

"You Are Mine"

Scott Isaacson (voice, piano)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia"

p. 83

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

GOSPEL

Luke 12:13-21

NT p. 951

(Before the Gospel is announced, the congregation says "Glory to you, O Lord") (After the Gospel is concluded, the congregation says, "Praise to you, O Christ")

SERMON

"Your Money's No Good in Heaven"

Pastor Dan Doran

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn of the Day

"All Depends on Our Possessing"

Hymn #447

All depends on our possessing God's free grace and constant blessing,
Though all earthly wealth depart.
They who trust with faith unshaken By their God are not forsaken
And will keep a dauntless heart.

God, who hitherto has fed me And to many joys has led me, Is and ever shall be mine.

He who did so gently school me, He who daily guides and rules me, Will remain my help divine.

When with sorrow I am stricken, Hope my heart anew will quicken,
All my longing shall be stilled.
To his loving kindness tender Soul and body I surrender,
For on God alone I build.

Well he knows what best to grant me; All the longing hopes that haunt me,
Joy and sorrow, have their day.
I shall doubt his wisdom never; As God wills, so be it ever;
To him I commit my way.

If on earth my days he lengthen, God my weary soul will strengthen,
All my trust in him I place.

Earthly wealth is not abiding; Like a stream away it's gliding;
Safe I anchor in his grace.

RECEPTION OF OFFERING

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin, Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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 everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

HOLY COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER

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. Amen

BLESSING AND PRAYER

Sending Hymn

"O God of Mercy, God of Light"

(v. 1, 2, 5, 6) Hymn #425

O God of mercy, God of light, In love and mercy infinite, Teach us, as ever in your sight, To live our lives in you.

You sent your Son to die for all, That our lost world might hear your call; Oh, hear us lest we stray and fall! We rest our hope in you.

In sickness, sorrow, want, or care, Each other's burdens help us share; May we, where help is needed, there Give help as though to you.

And may your Holy Spirit move All those who live to live in love, Till you receive in heav'n above Those who have lived to you.

BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL Go in peace and serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!

Psalm 49:1-12

¹Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world, ²both low and high, rich and poor together.

³My mouth shall speak wisdom;

the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

⁴I will incline my ear to a proverb;

I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp.

⁵Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me,

⁶those who trust in their wealth

and boast of the abundance of their riches?

⁷Truly, no ransom avails for one's life,

there is no price one can give to God for it.

⁸For the ransom of life is costly,

Notes:

and can never suffice,

9that one should live on forever
and never see the grave.

¹⁰When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others.

¹¹Their graves are their homes forever, their dwelling places to all generations, though they named lands their own.

¹²Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.



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