

# SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



**The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**Saturday, August 16, 2025 @ 5pm**  
**Sunday, August 17, 2025 @ 8:30am, Livestreamed**

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

**Opening Hymn** "Holy, Holy, Holy" **Hymn #165**

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.**  
**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,**  
**Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;**  
**Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,**  
**Though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,**  
**Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**  
**All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.**  
**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

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## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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Almighty God, Your holiness, power, knowledge, goodness, and presence is beyond our understanding.

**Forgive us when we question Your righteousness, anger, and mercy.**

Lord Jesus, in You the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, for You are God.

**Forgive us when we are afraid to follow You, because we want to be independent and accepted.**

Holy Spirit, Your Word is like a fire, to refine us and bring healing.

**Lead us that our hearts do not turn against You and our dreams stand in the way of Your plan.**

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

Our gracious Heavenly Father is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, that through faith in Him we might know His forgiveness. To all those who repent and believe in Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven! As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by His authority, I therefore declare to those 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**

**Almighty God, You are judge over all. You sent Your Son, that we would be forgiven, and our lives would be built up in Christ. Help us to see the signs of the times and to place our trust in You, that we may follow Jesus no matter the cost; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

#### **PASTOR'S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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### **THE WORD**

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**FIRST READING** **Jeremiah 23:23-29** **OT p. 712**  
*(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")*

**SECOND READING** **Hebrews 11:29-12:2** **NT p. 1099**  
*(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** **"Alleluia"** **p. 83**  
**Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go?**  
**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL** **Luke 12:49-56** **NT p. 952**  
*(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** **"Something Better"** **Pastor David Irgens**

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### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

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**Hymn of the Day** **"O God of Mercy, God of Light"** **(vs. 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.**

**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**

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**SENDING**

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**Sending Hymn**

**"When Peace, like a River"**

**Hymn #346**

**When peace, like a river, attendeth my way; When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate And hath shed his own blood for my soul.**

**He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to his cross, and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!**

**And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound, and the Lord shall descend; Even so it is well with my soul.**

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

## **Psalm 80:8-19**

- <sup>8</sup> You transplanted a vine from Egypt;  
you drove out the nations and planted it.
- <sup>9</sup> You cleared the ground for it,  
and it took root and filled the land.
- <sup>10</sup> The mountains were covered with its shade,  
the mighty cedars with its branches.
- <sup>11</sup> Its branches reached as far as the Sea,  
its shoots as far as the River.
- <sup>12</sup> Why have you broken down its walls  
so that all who pass by pick its grapes?
- <sup>13</sup> Boars from the forest ravage it,  
and insects from the fields feed on it.
- <sup>14</sup> Return to us, God Almighty!  
Look down from heaven and see!

- Watch over this vine,  
<sup>15</sup> the root your right hand has planted,  
the son<sup>[e]</sup> you have raised up for yourself.
- <sup>16</sup> Your vine is cut down, it is burned with fire;  
at your rebuke your people perish.
- <sup>17</sup> Let your hand rest on the man at your right hand,  
the son of man you have raised up for  
yourself.
- <sup>18</sup> Then we will not turn away from you;  
revive us, and we will call on your name.
- <sup>19</sup> Restore us, LORD God Almighty;  
make your face shine on us,  
that we may be saved.

## **Notes:**



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### **WORSHIP:**

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**Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am Livestream**

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