

SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Saturday, August 15, 2026 @ 5pm
Sunday, August 16, 2026 @ 8:30am, Livestreamed

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

Opening Hymn “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” **Hymn #526**

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise!**

**Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

**Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light; Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render, oh, help us to see
‘Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, You call us to seek and listen to You, to “maintain justice, and do what is right” (Is 56:1).

We forget who You are, and fear others who we think to have power over us.

Lord Jesus, You have shown us mercy, You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God.

Forgive us when we do not honor You as You deserve.

Holy Spirit, You have brought us to faith so that we might know God’s mercy and forgiveness.

**Change our hearts that “rivers of living water” (John 7:38) would flow out of our lives,
through the Holy Spirit.**

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

Almighty God, You have called us to pursue righteousness and seek the Lord. Open our hearts that we may worship You with a true heart. Through faith in Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, The True Messiah, only You can forgive us and bring healing. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. † **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, through faith in Your Son, Jesus Christ, You have called us Your own children and given us Your forgiveness and mercy. May we always serve You and tell others what You have done for Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

PASTOR'S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD

FIRST READING	Isaiah 56:1, 6-8	OT p. 672
<i>(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")</i>		

SECOND READING	Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32	NT p. 1034
<i>(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")</i>		

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

GOSPEL	Matthew 15:10-28	NT p. 894
<i>(Before the Gospel is announced, the congregation says "Glory to you, O Lord")</i>		
<i>(After the Gospel is concluded, the congregation says, "Praise to you, O Christ")</i>		

SERMON	"...as you wish"	Pastor
David Irgens		

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn of the Day	"O Master, Let Me Walk with You"	Hymn #492
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**O Master, let me walk with you In lowly paths of service true;
Tell me your secret; help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.**

**Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay, And guide them in the homeward way.**

**Teach me your patience; share with me A closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs over wrong,**

**In hope that sends a shining ray Far down the future's broad'ning way,
In peace that only you can give; With you, O Master, let me live.**

RECEPTION OF OFFERING

HOLY BAPTISM (SATURDAY)

Kieran Fox Steckler
Kit Augustus Steckler

APOSTLES' CREED

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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

Sending Hymn

"He Leadeth Me: Oh, Blessed Thought!"

Hymn #501

He leadeth me: oh, blessed thought! Oh, words with heav'nly comfort fraught!

Whate'er I do, where'er I be, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain: **He leadeth me, he leadeth me, By his own hand he leadeth me.**

His faithful foll'wer I would be, For by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,

By waters calm, o'er troubled sea, Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, Nor ever murmur nor repine;

Content, whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

Refrain

And when my task on earth is done, When by thy grace the vict'ry's won,

**E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God through Jordan leadeth me.
*Refrain***

BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL

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

Psalm 67 (3)

¹May God be gracious to us and bless us,
and make his face to shine upon us, *Selah*

²that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.

³**Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah*

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.

⁷May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

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