

SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



The Second Sunday After Pentecost
Saturday, June 21, 2025 @ 5pm
Sunday, June 22, 2025 @ 8:30am, Livestreamed

INVOCATION In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**
Opening Hymn “When Morning Gilds the Skies” (vs. 1-4) Hymn #546

**When morning gilds the skies, My heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised! When evening shadows fall,
This rings my curfew call: May Jesus Christ be praised!**

**When mirth for music longs, This is my song of songs:
May Jesus Christ be praised! God’s holy house of prayer
Has none that can compare With “Jesus Christ be praised!”**

**To him, my highest and best, I sing, when love possessed:
May Jesus Christ be praised! Whate’er my hands begin,
This blessing shall break in: May Jesus Christ be praised!**

**No lovelier antiphon In all high heav’n is known
Than “Jesus Christ be praised!” There to the eternal Word
The eternal psalm is heard: Oh, Jesus Christ be praised!**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, You are compassionate and always ready to be found even when we refuse to seek You.

Forgive us when we sin and hide from Your presence.

Lord Jesus, through faith in You, You have clothed us and we have become heirs of the promise.

Forgive us when we look to what can be seen and not to what You promise.

Holy Spirit, through Your power we are called children of God.

Forgive us when we are afraid and don’t tell others what Christ has done for us.

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

Our Heavenly Father knew we would sin against Him and He sent His Son, Jesus Christ so that we might know His forgiveness. Through baptism, repentance, and faith 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 our maker and redeemer, encourage us in faith that we may do Your will and know the fullness of Your promises as Your children; 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

THE WORD

FIRST READING **Isaiah 65:1-9** **OT p. 681**
(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God")

SECOND READING **Galatians 3:23-29** **NT p. 1062**
(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 8:26-39** **NT p. 944**
(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 **"Belonging, Really Belonging"** **Pastor David Irgens**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn of the Day **"Built on a Rock"** **Hymn #365**

**Built on a rock the Church shall stand, Even when steeples are falling;
Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land, Bells still are chiming and calling—
Calling the young and old to rest, Calling the souls of the distressed,
Longing for life everlasting.**

**Not in our temples made with hands God, the Almighty, is dwelling;
High in the heav'ns his temple stands, All earthly temples excelling.
Yet he who dwells in heav'n above Deigns to abide with us in love,
Making our bodies his temple.**

**We are God's house of living stones, Built for his own habitation;
He fills our hearts, his humble thrones, Granting us life and salvation.
Were two or three to seek his face, He in their midst would show his grace,
Blessings upon them bestowing.**

**Yet in this house, an earthly frame, Jesus the children is blessing;
Hither we come to praise his name, Faith in our Savior confessing.
Jesus to us his Spirit sent, Making with us his covenant, Granting his children the kingdom.**

RECEPTION OF OFFERING

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (SUNDAY)

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.

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 and ever. Amen**

Sending Hymn

"This Is My Father's World"

Hymn #554

**This is my Father's world, And to my list'ning ears
All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world; I rest in the thought Of
Rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought**

**This is my Father's world; The birds their carols raise;
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world; He shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; He speaks to me ev'rywhere.**

**This is my Father's world; Oh, let me not forget
That, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world; Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring; God reigns, let the earth be glad!**

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

Psalm 22:19-28

¹⁹But you, O LORD, do not be far away!
O my help, come quickly to my aid!
²⁰Deliver my soul from the sword,
my life from the power of the dog!
²¹Save me from the mouth of the lion!

From the horns of the wild oxen
you have rescued me.

²²I will tell of your name to my
brothers and sisters;
in the midst of the congregation I
will praise you:

²³You who fear the LORD, praise him!
All you offspring of Jacob,
glorify him;
stand in awe of him, all you
offspring of Israel!

²⁴For he did not despise or abhor
the affliction of the afflicted;
he did not hide his face from me,
but heard when I cried to him.

²⁵From you comes my praise in the
great congregation;
my vows I will pay before those
who fear him.

²⁶The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise
the LORD.
May your hearts live forever!

²⁷All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD;
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before him.

²⁸For dominion belongs to the LORD,
and he rules over the nations.

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