

Our Mission: Being church in church and after church together in Christ! 6th Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 20, 2025

Welcome to worship! We celebrate Holy Communion at each service. Guests and visitors are always welcome and we are filled with joy at your presence with us! The "pray-ground" near the organ is available for those families with little ones to sit and enjoy while being part of our worship. A Parent Room is also available for your use if your child just needs a space of their own! Ushers are available if you need any assistance or have any questions.

PRELUDE & WELCOME

* Indicates to stand as you are able

***WELCOME SUNG REFRAIN: #641**...All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place!

*SIGN OF THE CROSS: We remember our baptismal calling.

*GREETING: ...and also with you

*GATHERING SONG: #796 How Firm a Foundation

*CONFESSION/KYRIE: We confess and receive God's forgiveness. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray:

God of Spirit and Truth, when we pause to sit at your feet and open ourselves to your presence, our perspective begins to change. The distractions diminish, and our hearts turn toward what truly matters. Teach us to draw our focus away from what is fleeting and toward the fullness of life that you desire for us. Breathe your Spirit into this moment. Still our minds, awaken our hearts, and inspire us to listen for your voice so we may to know your calling with greater clarity and respond with courage, love, and faith. This we pray in Jesus' name: **Amen.**

FIRST READING: A reading from the Book of Genesis (18:1-10)

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

*SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY: Luke 10:38-42 The Lord is with you. And also with you. A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord! Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her." The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ!

*SIGN OF PEACE: The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you. (Greet one another with a gesture of peace.)

THE HOMILY: P/

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: We lift up our prayers and needs of the church and community. Our spoken response is "Lord, hear our prayer."

OFFERING ~ We are grateful for your presence today and we never want you to feel obligated to give. Our parishioners are responsible for supporting our ministry and mission through their gifts to God. If you would like to give a gift today, you are welcome to place it in the offering box in the center aisle. Our Noah's Ark outreach throughout the summer will go towards "The Welcome Network," a nonprofit organization focused on welcoming and serving newcomers with language and cultural challenges to the greater West Bend area.

DOXOLOGY: Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

*OFFERING PRAYER: Let us pray together:

O God, we offer back with joy this day our lives and our offerings ~ gifts themselves from You. Receive us and these gifts as we strive to share Your presence with the world! In the name of Jesus we pray: Amen!

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**: Jesus' words at the Last Supper become our prayer over the bread and wine.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER: We pray the words of new life that Jesus gave us.

*HOLY COMMUNION: Christ invites all of God's people to share in this banquet for this is the meal of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

A Word about Communion here at OSLC...

(You are invited to come forward down the center aisle to receive baked bread and then dip that bread into the glass of red wine or juice. Gluten free bread is available as well. For those who prefer, communion kits are available in a basket near the front of the sanctuary. All are welcome to share in this meal with us!)

*COMMUNION BLESSING: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his resurrected grace. Amen!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Let us pray together: O God, as we go into the world, help us leave behind the weight of hurry and comparison, allowing the stillness of Your peace to fill our every moment. Remind us that we are not called to prove ourselves. May this Eucharist open our eyes to see this day not as a race to be run, but as a gift to be received. **Amen!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Hear what's going on at OSLC!

*FINAL BLESSING: As you go.... Amen!

***SENDING SONG:** #545 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

*SENDING PROCLAMATION: Set forth with a spirit of wonder as God's cocreators, let's go be church after church! Thanks be to God!

Welcome to Worship at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Welcome to long-time Lutherans, Christians from every tradition, and people new to this faith. Welcome to friends new and old. Welcome to people of every age and size, color and culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression; every socioeconomic and marital status, political conviction, ability and challenge. Welcome to believers and questioners, and questioning believers. Welcome. Come back and pray with us!

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