



**LORD of LOVE**  
*Lutheran Church*

## **Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**



**God's Word comes in weakness  
but delivers the grace we need.**

# Lord of Love Lutheran Church

July 11, 2021

OPENING HYMN (CWS 737)

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It



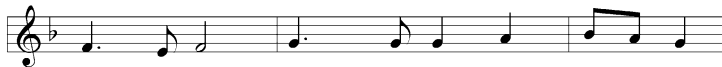
1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it:  
2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er:  
3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion:  
4 Death, you can - not end my glad - ness:  
5 There is noth - ing worth com - par - ing



I am bap - tized in - to Christ! He, be -  
I am bap - tized in - to Christ! I have  
I am bap - tized in - to Christ! Drop your  
I am bap - tized in - to Christ! When I  
To this life - long com - fort sure! O - pen -



cause I could not pay it, Gave my full re -  
com - fort e - ven strong - er: Je - sus' cleans - ing  
ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion; I am not so  
die, I leave all sad - ness To in - her - it  
eyed my grave is star - ing: E - ven there I'll



demp - tion price. Do I need earth's trea - sures  
sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y con - science  
soon en - ticed. Now that to the font I've  
par - a - dise! Though I lie in dust and  
sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a - waits its



man - y? I have one worth more than an - y  
seize me Since my bap - tism did re - lease me,  
trav - eled, All your might has come un - rav - eled,  
ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance bright - ly flash - es:  
rais - ing, Still my soul con - tin - ues prais - ing:



That brought me sal - va - tion free,  
In a dear for - giv - ing flood,  
And, a - gainst your tyr - an - ny,  
Bap - tism has the strength di - vine  
I am bap - tized in - to Christ;



Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!  
Sprink - ling me with Je - sus' blood?  
God, my Lord, u - nites with me!  
To make life im - mor - tal mine.  
I'm a child of par - a - dise!

# SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

*The 9:00 A.M. service begins on this page.*

*The 10:30 A.M. service begins on page 5.*

*STAND*

**M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**



## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C:** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

# PRAYER AND PRAISE

## LORD, HAVE MERCY

*Kyrie*

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

**M:** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

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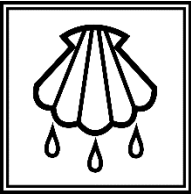
# HOLY BAPTISM

*The 10:30 A.M. Service begins on this page.*

*REMAIN SEATED*

**M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**



## CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

**C:** **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

**M:** As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

**C:** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

*The Rite of Baptism continues at the font.*



## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**M:** In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

**M:** Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (+) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

*The minister applies water to the person presented for baptism as he says:*

Asher Bennett Thomas, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

*STAND*

## EXHORTATION

**M:** Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Asher may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

**C:** **Yes, as God gives me strength.**

**M:** Let us pray:

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Asher and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**



**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

## O LORD, OUR LORD

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major). It consists of nine staves of music. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C:'. The melody features various note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some triplets indicated by a '3' above the notes. The score concludes with a double bar line and a key signature change to one flat (B minor).

**C:** O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in  
all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,  
you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;  
you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and  
ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,  
but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,  
how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.  
O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,  
you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;





you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

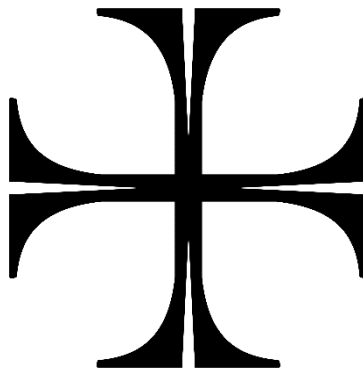
**M:** Let us pray.

God of all power and might, you are the giver of all that is good. Help us love you with all our heart, strengthen us in true faith, provide us with all we need, and keep us safe in your care; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

*BE SEATED*





## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 2:1-5

*<sup>1</sup>He said to me, “Son of man, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.” <sup>2</sup>The Spirit entered into me as he spoke to me and brought me up to my feet. Then I heard him speaking to me.*

*<sup>3</sup>He said to me, “Son of man, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to disloyal nations, who have been disloyal to me. They and their fathers have rebelled against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>These children of mine are brazen-faced and hard-hearted. I am sending you to them, and you are to tell them that this is what the LORD God says. <sup>5</sup>Then, whether they listen or do not listen—for they are a rebellious house—then they will know that a prophet has been among them.*

### SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 12:7–10

*<sup>7</sup>Therefore, to keep me from becoming arrogant due to the extraordinary nature of these revelations, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me, so that I would not become arrogant. <sup>8</sup>Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that he would take it away from me. <sup>9</sup>And he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, because my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will be glad to boast all the more in my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may shelter me.*

*<sup>10</sup>That is why I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties, for the sake of Christ. For whenever I am weak, then am I strong.*

### VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** Alleluia. Happy are they who hear the Word with an honest and good heart, hold on to it tightly, and produce fruit as they patiently endure. Alleluia. (Luke 8:15)



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, You are her  
 2 O Lord, let this your lit - tle flock, Your name a -  
 3 Help us to serve you ev - er - more With hearts both  
 4 And for your gos - pel let us dare To sac - ri -



one foun - da - tion. In you she trusts, be - fore you  
 lone con - fess - ing, Con - tin - ue in your lov - ing  
 pure and low - ly. And may your Word, that light di -  
 fice all trea - sure; Teach us to bear your bless - ed



bows, And waits for your sal - va - tion. Built  
 care, True u - ni - ty pos - sess - ing. Your  
 vine, Shine on in splen - dor ho - ly That  
 cross, To find in you all plea - sure. Oh,



on this rock se - cure, Your Church shall en - dure  
 sac - ra - ments, O Lord, And your sav - ing Word  
 we re - pent - ance show, In faith ev - er grow.  
 grant us stead - fast - ness In joy and dis - tress.



Though all the world de - cay And all things  
 To us e'er pure re - tain. Grant that they  
 The pow'r of sin de - stroy And e - vils  
 Lord, for your mer - cy's sake, Let us by



pass a - way. Oh, hear, oh, hear us, Je - sus!  
 may re - main Our on - ly strength and com - fort.  
 that an - noy. Oh, make us faith - ful Chris - tians.  
 grace par - take Of end - less joy and glo - ry.

<sup>1</sup>Jesus left there and went to his hometown. His disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue. Many who heard him were amazed. They asked, “Where did this man learn these things? What is this wisdom that has been given to this man? How is it that miracles such as these are performed by his hands? <sup>3</sup>Isn’t this the carpenter, the son of Mary and the brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him.

<sup>4</sup>Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and among his own relatives and in his own house.” <sup>5</sup>He could not do any miracles there except to lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. <sup>6</sup>He was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went around the villages teaching.

### Amazing Unbelief of an Amazing Prophet



## NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

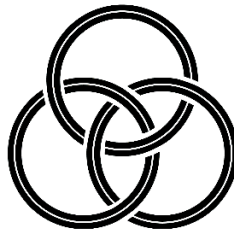
**who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**



## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

**C:** **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

**M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

**C:** **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

*The recorded Service of the Word for members at home concludes here.  
We continue with the Service of the Sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.*



## THE SACRAMENT

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**M:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Sanctus*



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**M:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - - - men.



## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; grant us your peace. A - men.

*BE SEATED*

## DISTRIBUTION

*In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.*

*To limit the proximity of our members and reduce the possibility of transmitting disease, we are asking our communicants to approach the chancel steps by families. If your family is seated closer to the center aisle, you may come to the table closer to the Baptismal font. If your family is seated closer to a side aisle, you may come to the table farther from the font. Please wait until the family ahead of you has communed and returned to their seats before approaching.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 419)

If God Himself Be for Me



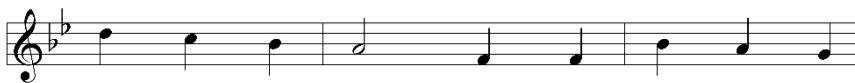
1 If God him - self be for me, I may a  
 2 This I be - lieve, yea rath - er, Of this I  
 3 I build on this foun - da - tion: That Je - sus  
 4 He can - celed my of - fen - ses, De - liv - ered  
 5 No sin can now con - demn me Or set my



host de - fy; For when I pray, be - fore  
 make my boast, That God is my dear Fa -  
 and his blood, A - lone are my sal - va -  
 me from death; He is the Lord who clean -  
 hope a - side. Now hell no more can claim



me My foes, con - found - ed, fly. If Christ,  
 ther, My friend who loves me most, And that,  
 tion, My true, e - ter - nal good. With - out  
 ses My soul from sin through faith. In him  
 me; Its fu - ry I de - ride. No sen -



my head and mas - ter, Be - friend me from  
 what - e'er be - tide me, My Sav - ior is  
 him all that pleas - es Is val - ue - less  
 I can be cheer - ful, Cou - ra - geous on  
 tence now re - proves me; No guilt de - stroys



a - bove, What foe or what dis - as -  
 at hand Through storm - y seas to guide -  
 on earth; The gifts I have from Je -  
 my way; In him I am not fear -  
 my peace, For Christ, my Sav - ior, loves



ter Can drive me from his love?  
 me And bring me safe to land.  
 sus A - lone have price - less worth.  
 ful Of God's great Judg - ment Day.  
 me And shields me with his grace.

6 No danger, thirst, or hunger,  
No pain or poverty,  
No earthly tyrant's anger  
Shall ever vanquish me.  
Though earth should break assunder,  
You are my Savior true;  
No fire or sword or thunder  
Shall sever me from you.

7 My heart for joy is springing  
And can no more be sad.  
'Tis full of joy and singing,  
Sees only sunshine glad.  
The sun that cheers my spirit  
Is Jesus Christ, my King;  
The heav'n I shall inherit  
Makes me rejoice and sing.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–87, st. 1-3, 6-7, alt.; unknown, st. 4-5, alt.  
Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN (76 76 D) Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635, alt.

THIS IS MY  
BODY  
THIS IS MY  
BLOOD



DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 403)

I Know My Faith Is Founded



1 I know my faith is found - ed On Je - sus  
 2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav - ior, For Sa - tan  
 3 In faith, Lord, let me serve you; Though per - se -



Christ, my God and Lord; And this my faith con -  
 seeks by night and day To rob me of this  
 cu - tion, grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver -



fess - ing, Un - moved I stand up - on his Word. Man's  
 trea - sure And take my hope of bliss a - way. But,  
 overwhelm me, Let me a stead - fast trust re - tain. And



rea - son can - not fath - om The truth of God pro -  
 Lord, with you be - side me I shall be un - dis -  
 then at my de - par - ture, Lord, take me home to



found; Who trusts in world - ly wis - dom Re - lies on  
 mayed; And led by your good Spir - it, I shall be  
 you, And let me there in - her - it All you have



shift - ing ground. God's Word is all - suf - fi - cient,  
 un - a - fraid. A - bide with me, O Sav - ior,  
 prom - ised me. In life and death, Lord, keep me



It makes di - vine - ly sure, And, trust - ing  
 A firm - er faith be - stow. Then I shall  
 Un - til your heav'n I gain, Where I by



in its wis - dom, My faith shall rest se - cure.  
 bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e - vil foe.  
 your great mer - cy The end of faith at - tain.

Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756; tr. composite.  
 Tune: NUN LOB, MEIN SEEL (78 78 76 76 76 76) *Concentus novi*, Augsburg, 1540, alt.



## THANKSGIVING

STAND

### THANK THE LORD



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

*BE SEATED*

**CLOSING HYMN (CW 289)**

**Preserve Your Word, O Savior**



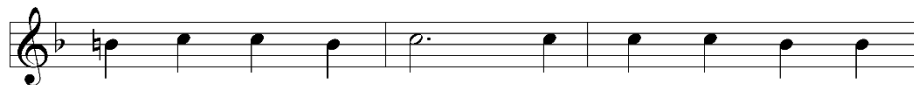
1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, To us this lat - ter  
2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, The truth that makes us



day, And let your king - dom flour - ish; En - large your  
whole, The mir - ror of your glo - ry, The pow'r that



Church, we pray. Oh, keep our faith from fail - ing; Keep  
saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, This



hope's bright star a - glow. Let noth - ing turn us  
spring of heav'n - ly grace, Sus - tain us while here



from you While wan-d'ring here be - low.  
liv - ing Un - til we see your face.

Text: Andreas Gryphius, 1616–64, abr.; tr. William J. Schaefer, 1891–1976, alt.  
Tune: FREUT EUCH, IHR LIEBEN CHRISTEN (76 76 D) Leonhart Schröter, c. 1532–c. 1601.

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“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”  
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## Personal Prayers for Worship

### Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

### After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

**Sunday July 11: 7th Sunday after Pentecost**

**The Family Altar Devotion, 8:00 am**

**Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion**

Children's Choir practice at 10:05 downstairs

- Preaching Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: Dave Olson (9:00) and Greg Zeman (10:30)
- Usher 9:00 am: Aaron Oughton
- Usher 10:30 am: Chad Heath
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel
- Presiding Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

**Sunday July 18: 7th Sunday after Pentecost**

**The Family Altar Devotion, 8:00 am**

**Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion**

Children's Choir practice at 10:05 downstairs

- Preaching Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: Jim Miller (9:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Usher 9:00 am: Bob Degnan
- Usher 10:30 am: Mark Heath
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel
- Presiding Pastor: Michael Willitz
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker
- **11:45 am:** Annual Open Forum and Voter's Meeting, *sanctuary*

**Happy Birthday:** We wish God's blessings to Griffin Bjorge (7/12), Nathan Vomhof (7/12), Keeli Cotter (7/14), Melissa Sellmeyer (7/14), Kathy Belgen (7/15), Tom Wightman (7/16), Justin Pribbenow (7/17) and Joshua Van Dinter (7/17) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

**Anniversary:** We wish God's blessings to Deborah & Bob Nasett (7/11), Alexandra & Jacob Kilian (7/13), Pastor Joel & Sue Jenswold (7/16) and Karen & Dick Laufenberg (7/16) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

**In Our Prayers:** Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Jack Richardson, Marge Ripp and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).



# Annual Open Forum & Voter's Meeting

Sunday July 18

11:45 am in the sanctuary

Copies of the proposed budget are available in the fellowship area.

Please take home a copy to review before the meeting.



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## Outdoor Worship Sunday July 25 at 10:30 am

Plan to join us for an outdoor worship service and picnic the end of July. **There will be only one service that day at 10:30 am.** Bring a lawn chair, sun glasses and wear comfortable clothes. The WELS Wind Ensemble will be playing for our worship service. Following worship, we will enjoy a picnic and some activities for the kids.

**Picnic Information:** This year, we will have our picnic a little different than in previous years. Most of our food items are going to be individually wrapped to help limit the number of hands that come into contact with the food. Burgers, brats and hot dogs will be grilled at church. There will be individual bags of veggies, chips, fruit and dessert served. Beverages will be provided.

### Items we would appreciate being donated are:

- Individual size bags of chips/snacks
- Small carrots or cut up veggies (bring to church Saturday morning)
- Grapes or other “finger food” fruits (bring to church Saturday morning)
- Cookies or bars placed in snack size closable bags (approximately 2 per bag).  
Prepackaged desserts can be brought to church Sunday morning and placed in the kitchen.

**Saturday:** Volunteers are needed to help set up the tent on Saturday July 24 at 9:00 am. Meet by the garage. Volunteers are also needed Sat. morning to help set up the downstairs & place veggies/fruit into small bags. Meet downstairs in the kitchen at 9 am.

**Sunday:** Volunteers are needed Sunday to help set up before worship. Please arrive at 9:00 am. Volunteers are also needed to assist the grillers as the food is grilled and placed in buns. They will be wrapped in foil/bags for serving. About 11:30 am.

Please see the signup sheets on the counter as you enter church to donate a food item and to volunteer to help.

# Mission Festival August 1

Guest Pastor Nathan Schulte

Worship services **8:00** & 10:30 am

Presentation between services at 9:15  
on mission work in Latin America.

*Luncheon downstairs at 11:45 am. More information to follow*



## Children Singing August 1: Mission Festival

Sunday School students are invited to participate in a song during the worship services for Mission Festival. The song the students are singing is *Go Ye, Go Ye into the World*, which they have sung before, so it will be familiar to a lot of kids.

Practices will be held between services for **ALL kids from Kindergarten through high school**. On July 25th we will be practicing in the sanctuary at 10:05 before the start of the outdoor service.

### Practices:

**July 11th, 10:05 am**

**July 18th, 10:05 am**

**July 25th, 10:05 (in the sanctuary)**

**August 1st, 7:40 (in the lower level for warmup and then singing in both services at 8:00 and 10:30)**

If you have questions, you can speak with Ruth Kovaciny, or contact the church office.



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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”  
Psalm 122:1**

