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Welcome to Worship

6th Weekend after Pentecost

July 5 2026, 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER

The order of worship is set out in this bulletin. Words are projected on the screen.
Unless noted otherwise, the page and hymn numbers are listed for the Red ELW Hymnal.

- Participation Guide: P = Pastor, L = Worship Leader, C = Congregation

Prelude (9:00)

Minuet from "Fireworks Music"
Nicholas Davis, organ, Brian Van Kley, trumpet

G. F. Handel

"Minuet" from *Fireworks Music* by George Frederick Handel.
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(11:00)

Here I Am, Lord
Nicholas Davis, piano

arr. Joel Raney

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Tolling of the Bell

Welcome / Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever, whose mercy is new every morning, and whose grace meets us wherever we are.

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us confess our sin together:

C: We confess that we misuse the gift of our freedom by allowing fear to overcome trust, division to overshadow compassion, and self-interest to win over the common good.

We are quick to divide rather than be united. We ignore the suffering of our neighbors, turn away from justice, and remain silent when your call to love asks us to speak.

Renew our hearts and restore our vision. Help us to use our freedom as a gift for serving others and glorifying you.

P: Hear the good news: God's mercy is greater than our failures, and God's love is stronger than our divisions. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made new. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we are freed to love and serve our neighbors.

In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

Children's Message

Gathering Song

Day by Day

ELW 790

- 1 Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.

Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
where at last I'll find eternal rest.

2 Day by day, I know you will provide me
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,
I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow
till in glory I behold your face.

3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
when my burdens grow too great to bear;
oh, what joy to know that you will hear me
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me,
you will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,
I will reach at last the promised land.

"Day by Day" Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832-1903; tr. Robert
Leaf, 1936-2005. Music: Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813-1882. Text © 1992 Augsburg Fortress.

Invocation

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Kyrie

setting 8, ELW p. 184

C: **Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

L: For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

C: **Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

L: That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

C: **Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

L: For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;
for life and for love, for our work and our play,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

C: **Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

L: For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

C: **Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

Prayer of the Day

P: Lord of all, guide this nation by your Spirit to go forward in justice and freedom. Give to all living in these lands the blessings of well-being and harmony, but above all things, give us faith in you, that our nation may bring glory to your name and blessings to all peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

THE WORD

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-12

NRSVue

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

L: The word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

setting 8, ELW p. 188

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia.

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The Holy Gospel

P: The gospel according to Matthew.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

“*[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:]* ¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

¹⁸“For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁰Then he began to reproach the cities in which most of his deeds of power had been done because they did not repent. ²¹“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. ²²But I tell you, on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ²³And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? No, you will be brought down to Hades.

“For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. ²⁴But I tell you that on the day of judgment it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.”

²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to

infants; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸ "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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Message

Pastor Ben Sloss

Hymn of the Day

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW 798

- 1 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?"
- 3 "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
- 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

"Will You Come and Follow Me" (The Summons), John L. Bell,
Scottish Traditional. Text © 1993 Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent.

Apostles' Creed (ELW p. 105)

L: Please join me in professing our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
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. He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the
life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

L: God of grace,

C: **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace

L: May the peace of Christ be with you always!

C: **And also with you.**

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offering Invitation

Music Offering

I Surrender All
Nicholas Davis, piano

arr. John Turner

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Offertory (9:00)

Give Thanks

Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, the Son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, the Son.

And now let the weak say, I am strong, let the poor say I am rich,
Because of what the Lord has done for us.

And now let the weak say, I am strong, let the poor say I am rich,
Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

"Give Thanks" Henry Smith © 1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music..

Offering Prayer.

THE MEAL

Great Thanksgiving (responsively)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

All sing

Holy, Holy, Holy

setting 8, ELW p. 190

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,**

Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

All are invited to come forward to receive the holy gifts. Those not receiving may come forward for a blessing. Please let an usher know if you need to receive communion at your seat. When present, a prayer minister wearing a cross on a red ribbon is located at the back of the worship space.

Distribution (9:00)

Lamb of God

setting 8, ELW p. 191

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace,
Lamb of God.

Communion hymn

This Is My Song

ELW 887

- 1 This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
- 2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.
- 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms, your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you, and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations; myself I give you; let your will be done.

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Prayer after Communion

Thanksgiving at the Conclusion of a Call

Pastor Ben Sloss
Tracie, Ethan, Lily, and Grace

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 43:1-3

Thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire, you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

P: Pastor Ben...

When you came to this congregation, we rejoiced to welcome you into the mission we share as the people of God. In this community, you have come to know and to share in God's loving purpose for you and for all creation. God has blessed you in this community, and God has blessed us through you.

People of God, members of Our Saviour's, do you release Pastor Ben from service as your pastor?

C: We do, and we give thanks to God for our ministry together.

P: Pastor Ben, do you recognize and accept the completion of your ministry with Our Saviour's Lutheran Church?

PB: I do, and I give thanks to God for our ministry together.

P: Let us pray ... *(We invite you to raise your hands for this prayer/blessing)*

Presentation of Congregational Gift

WE ARE SENT

Blessing

Sending Song

Lord of All Hopefulness

ELW 765

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, y
our bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

"Lord of All Hopefulness" Text: Jan Struther, 1901-1953, Music:
Irish traditional. Text © Oxford University Press.

Dismissal

L: *Go in peace, serve the Lord.*

C: **Thanks be to God. We will!**

Postlude (9:00)

La Réjouissance
Nicholas Davis, organ, Brian Van Kley, trumpet

arr. Kristin Thielemann

"La Réjouissance" G.F. Handel, arranged by Kristin Thielemann ©
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(11:00)

Reprise "*Lord, of All Hopefulness*"
Ensemble

Thank you to all who gave of their time to plan, serve, and participate in today's worship.

This Week in Prayers:

We offer prayers for family and friends of Walter Woods, who died last week

We comfort the family of Steve Spayer at the death of his sister, Chris Tusk.

Pastoral Team Pastor Brian Wise, pastorbrian@oursaviours.com
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Worship Service Opportunities

- Our Saviour's Campus, Traditional Worship, Saturday, 5:00 pm Sunday, 9:00 am
Blended Sunday, 11:00 am
- Celebration Campus, Contemporary Sunday, 10:00 am

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Holy Communion is offered weekly at all worship services, and all are welcome to receive it. Communion is by intinction (dipping the bread/wafer). We offer wine (red) and grape juice (white), gluten-free at every station. If you like private prayer, please visit our prayer minister in the back; you can find them by the cross on a red ribbon around their neck.

Interested in learning more about membership?

Membership at Our Saviour's is focused on relationships. To learn more about membership, visit www.oursaviours.com, email membership@oursaviours.com, or contact the main office at 630-355-2522 and speak with Pastor Ben.

Upcoming Events

Information for groups and events, as well as registration links, can be found on the Home menu, News & Events page of our website: <https://oursaviours.com/home/news-events>.

- **Summer coffee sale** - proceeds of which will help support the Dusek school in Uganda. Sales will occur before, during, and after worship on Saturday and Sunday, July 18-19, at both the Celebration and OSLC campuses.
- **Senior Active Adults Summer Picnic:** Monday, July 20, at 12:00 pm, Celebration Campus. Bring your own lunch and beverage as we gather outdoors for fellowship and to share summer highlights. In case of rain, we'll meet in the Celebration Conference Room. Please RSVP through the church office.
- At our Annual Meeting last month, our congregation adopted a resolution to commemorate our nation's 250th anniversary through 250 acts of service, both individually and as a faith community.

As part of that commitment, throughout the month of July, **we will be collecting toilet paper and diapers**, with a goal of 250 of each item. Donations can be brought to church and will be shared with our neighbors through Loaves & Fishes Community Services.

If you would like to support this effort financially, you are also welcome to make a donation through the offering. Together, these simple acts of generosity can make a meaningful difference in the lives of those in our community. Thank you for helping us serve our neighbors with compassion and care.

- **Calling all musicians.** Would you or your ensemble like to share your talents with us this summer? We are looking for special music for our summer services. If you are interested, please sign up through the SignUpGenius link. Whether you are just beginning or have been performing for years, we would love to have you share your gifts.
- Our Saviour's is looking to hire a part-time Worship Tech Coordinator. <https://oursaviours.com/home/employment> for all the details.

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