

Welcome to Worship

September 20 - 21, 2025

15th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER

The order of worship is set out in this bulletin. The Congregation responds in parts marked in **bold**.
The page and hymn numbers are listed for the Red ELW Hymnal. * Indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude (9:00)

Prelude on Thaxted
Nicholas Davis, organ

arr. John Behnke

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Tolling of the Bell

Welcome / Announcements

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

(9:00) Children's Message

*Gathering Song

(5:00)

I Will Follow

Tomlin/Ingram/Morgan

Intro Where You go I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.
When You move, I'll move, I will follow
Oh. Oh. Oh.

1 All Your ways are good. All Your ways are sure. I will trust in You alone.
Higher than my sight. High above my life. I will trust in You alone

Chorus Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.
When You move, I'll move. I will follow You.
Who You love, I'll love. How You serve, I'll serve.
If this life I lose, I will follow You.
Yeah. I will follow You. Yeah.

2 Light into the world, Light into my life, I will live for You alone.
You're the One I seek. Knowing I will find
All I need in You alone, in You alone. *Chorus*

Bridge In You there's life everlasting. In You there's freedom for my soul.
In You there's joy, unending joy and I will follow. *Chorus*

Ending Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.
When You move, I'll move. I will follow You.
Who You love, I'll love. How You serve, I'll serve.

If this life I lose, I will follow You.
Yeah. I will follow You.
Yeah. I will follow You.
Yeah. I will follow You. Yeah.

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(9:00)

Son of God, Eternal Savior

ELW #655

- 1 Son of God, eternal Savior,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race,
you our head, who, throned in glory,
for your own will ever plead:
fill us with your love and pity,
heal our wrong, and help our need.
- 3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love and Prince of peace;
hush the storm of strife and passion,
bid its cruel discords cease.
By your patient years of toiling,
by your silent hours of pain,
quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
stem our selfish greed of gain.

***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.**

(9:00) * **Kyrie**

ELW p. 138

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
Amen.

(9:00) * **Canticle of Praise**

This is the feast

ELW p. 140

Refrain This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

- 1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain*
- 2 Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. *Refrain*
- 3 Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

Final This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

***Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

THE WORD

First Reading

Timothy 2:1-7

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Priests for Equality. The Inclusive Bible: The First Egalitarian Translation (p. 2946). Rowman & Littlefield Publishers. Kindle Edition.

***Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia

ELW p. 142

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

***The Holy Gospel**

The gospel according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 16:1-13

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

(5:00) Pastor Elisabeth Pynn Himmelman

(9:00) Pastor Leslie Hunter, Holy Family Ministries, Chicago

***Hymn of the Day**

(5:00)

Living Waters

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- 1 Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters.
Tired and broken, Peace unspoken, Rest beside these living waters.
- 2 Christ is calling, find refreshing, at the cross of living waters.
Lay your life down, all the old gone, rise up in these living waters.

Chorus There's a river that flows with mercy and love, bringing joy to the city of our God;
There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore, Praise the Lord of living waters.

- 3 Spirit moving, mercy washing; Healing in these living waters.
Lead your children To the shoreline, Life is in these living waters. *Chorus, Bridge*

Bridge Ooh Ooh Ooh
Ooh Ooh Ooh

- 4 Are you thirsty? Are you empty? Come and drink these living waters.
Love, forgiveness, Vast and boundless, Christ, He is our living waters. *Chorus, End*

Ending There our hope is secure, do not fear anymore, Praise the Lord of living waters.

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(9:00)

Let Streams of Living Justice

ELW #710, vs 1, 2

- 1 Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth;
give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth.
The hungry's hands are pleading, the workers claim their rights,
the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.

Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron pow'r;
abolish ancient vengeance: proclaim your people's hour.

- 2 For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end,
for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together; knit our lives as they are spun;
on your loom of time enroll us till our thread of life is run.
O great weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one;
dye our texture with your radiance, light our colors with your sun.

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***Apostles' Creed, p. 105**

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 (responsive prayer)**

God of grace,
receive our prayers.

***Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you

Please be seated.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Music Offering (5:00)

I Will Rise
Ensemble

Tomlin/Reeves/Giglio/Maher

I Will Rise | Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Louie Giglio, Matt Maher |
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(9:00)

Total Praise
Sanctuary Choir

arr. Doreen Rao

"Total Praise" by Richard Smallwood; arranged by Doreen Rao ©
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(9:00) *Offertory

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

ELW #182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" John W. Arthur; Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923. © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, admin. Augsburg Fortress

***Offering Prayer**

THE MEAL

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(9:00) All sing

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW p. 144

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

***Words of Institution**

***The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

Please be seated.

*Holy Communion is offered weekly at all worship services, and all are welcome to receive it.
You will receive a wafer, which can be dipped into the divided chalice. The red is wine, and the white is
grape juice. Gluten-free at all stations. When present, a prayer minister, wearing a cross on a red
ribbon, is located at the back of the worship space.*

Distribution hymn

Lamb of God

ELW p. 146

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.

Lamb of God" Holy Communion, setting three; Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927. SundaysandSeasons.com
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(5:00) Meditation Music

**O Come to the Altar
Ensemble**

Brown/Brock/Furtick

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(9:00) Communion Hymn

We Are an Offering

ELW #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives,
they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering, we are an offering. *Repeat all*

We Are An Offering | Dwight Liles, b. 1957 | Text & Music © 1984,
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***Prayer after Communion**

WE ARE SENT

***Responsive Sending**

People of God, we are called into *'Life Together'...*

Rooted in Christ, growing in grace, connected in love.

Just like the early church, we gather with purpose...

Devoted to prayer, to fellowship, and to the breaking of bread.

We are not church alone—we are church together...

Called to show up, speak truth, and share burdens.

The Spirit forms us into a community of care...

Where generosity flows, and no one is forgotten.

In every act of love, every table shared, every name remembered...

Christ is made known among us.

So go now—renewed in connection, bold in faith, alive in hope...

To live 'Life Together', to 'Know Jesus, and Make Jesus Known'. Amen.

(5:00)

The Blessing (Shortened) Brown/Carnes/Jobe/Furtick
Ensemble

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(9:00) *Blessing

*Sending Song

(5:00)

You Are Worthy of My Praise

David Ruis

- 1 I will worship, **I will worship** with all of my heart, **with all of my heart.**
I will praise You, **I will praise You**, with all of my strength, **all of my strength.**
I will seek You, **I will seek You**, all of my day, **all of my days.**
I will follow, **I will follow**, all of Your ways, **all of Your ways.**

Chorus I will give you all my worship, I will give You all my praise.
You alone, I long to worship, You alone are worthy of my praise.

- 2 I will bow down, **I will bow down**, hail You as King, **hail You as King.**
I will serve You, **I will serve You**, I'll give you everything, **everything.**
I will lift up, **I will lift up**, my eyes to Your throne, **my eyes to Your throne.**
I will trust you, **I will trust You**, trust You alone, **You alone. Chorus**

Ending I will worship, I will bow down, I will give You all my praise. *Repeat 1x, then Chorus*

You Are Worthy of My Praise | David Ruis | © 1993 Shade
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(9:00)

Rise Up, O Saints of God

ELW #669

- 1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain ambitions turn;
Christ rose triumphant that your hearts with nobler zeal might burn.
- 2 Speak out, O saints of God! Despair engulfs earth's frame;
as heirs of God's baptismal grace, the word of hope proclaim.
- 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The kingdom's task embrace;
redress sin's cruel consequence; give justice larger place.
- 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Creation cries in pain;
stretch forth your hand of healing now, with love the weak sustain.
- 5 Commit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;
and, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

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*Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God, we will!

Postlude (5:00)

Reprise of Sending Song

(9:00)

Fugue on Thy Strong Word
Nicholas Davis, piano

arr. John Behnke

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*Thank you to Lori Patterson, Kristyn Reed, Chris Brown, Cal Hudson, the Sanctuary Choir,
and to all who gave of their time to plan, serve, and participate in today's worship.*

This week in prayers:

We continue to pray for those with needs or concerns, especially Jim Sherman, Regan Eertmoed, and Vickie Witt.

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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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Upcoming Activities and Events

Information for groups and events, as well as registration links, can be found on the Home menu, News & Events page of our website at www.oursaviours.com

- **Caring for Creation** will host a watch party [Sept. 30](#) for the keynote address from Robin Wall Kimmerer, Potawatomi Nation member and author of "Braiding Sweetgrass," that is taking place as part of Faith in Place's Annual Environment & Spirituality Summit. Watch party will take place in Fellowship Hall; come at [6 p.m.](#) ahead of keynote address at 6:30. The watch party is free, but please register that you plan to watch at Our Saviour's at Faith in Place's website link on oslc.com/home/news-events page.
- **Thrive** will meet every [Thursday](#) from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in Nelson-Niemi Fellowship Hall on the Our Saviour's Campus starting [Oct. 2](#). **Thrive** is a welcoming group designed for adults who may be living with chronic illness or disabilities or who are experiencing the effects of aging. We invite you to bring friends from the community, dress in comfortable clothing, and come as you are for a light snack, discussion, and supportive stretching. For more information, contact Alexandra Colaianni at AlexandraColaianni@oursaviours.com.
- The **Life Together Ensemble** will sing during 11 a.m. worship on [Oct. 5](#)—if you'd like to be part of this low-commitment singing ensemble, meet at 10 a.m. in the Bach Room that morning to learn and rehearse a song.
- Get your tickets for Trivia Night at Celebration Campus Oct. 17! Registration is now open for **Trivia Night**, hosted by our Stewardship Committee, on [Friday, Oct. 17](#)! This [21+](#) event will feature trivia galore plus bites and beverages from 7-9 p.m. at Celebration Campus. Tickets are \$10/person; register on our website - news-events page link.
- Our **walk-in flu-shot clinic** happens [Tuesday, Oct. 14](#), from 9-11:30 a.m. in the Bonhoeffer Room at the Our Saviour's Campus. The flu vaccine and the shingles vaccine will be available; COVID-19 boosters are expected to be available, as well. Please bring your insurance card.
- The **Active Adults group** will meet for lunch on [Monday, Oct. 20](#), at 11:20 a.m. at Tasty Biscuit, 1112 Ogden Ave. in Naperville. RSVP to the church office at 630-355-2522.
- Monthly **Bible Journaling** will resume on [Monday, Oct. 20](#). Meet at 3 p.m. in the Bonhoeffer Room of the Our Saviour's Campus.
- Whether you like to bring the heat or mild is more your style, you're invited to share a batch of your favorite homemade chili at our **Children, Youth & Family Ministries Chili Cook-Off** on [Wednesday, Oct. 22](#)! Sign up to bring chili on the church website. Midweek Meetup dinner will start early that night, at 5:30 p.m., to give everyone ample time to taste! \$5 will get you 10 votes, with all proceeds supporting CYFM at OSLC!