

8TH Sunday after Pentecost

July 23 & 26, 2020



Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church
(Wisconsin Synod)

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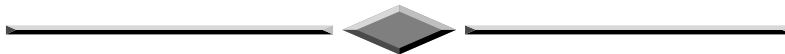
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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Lord Jesus, who once came in lowliness to rescue us from sin and death so that we might have eternal life, come into our hearts by your Word and Holy Spirit in order that we may live as your people now and be prepared for your coming in glory on the Last Day. Amen.

WORSHIP NOTES: In his grace God sows the seed of his Word in our hearts. By the power of the Holy Spirit, the implanted Word grows our faith which bears fruit in thankfulness to God for his blessing of salvation. We long for the time when God will take us to be with him in the new, perfect creation. Now there is difficulty and discouragement because of sin. Even creation grows for release from the bondage of sin and longs for the freedom of the children of God. One day God will make everything new. Until then we hold onto the Word that produces the fruit of hope to help us wait patiently.

WELCOME GUESTS! We are very glad to have you share with us this time of worshipping the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. May God's Holy Word heard in this worship service be a great blessing for you. Please come again soon.



OPENING HYMN “Speak, O Savior; I Am Listening” (p. 8) CW, #283

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD CW, p. 38

P: 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.** (*spoken*)

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
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The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are: 'C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.'

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy and to bring forth fruits in faith and hope and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the staff. The notes are mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are: 'C: A - men.'

FIRST LESSON **Isaiah 55:10, 11**

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

HYMN RESPONSE

“How Firm a Foundation” (p. 10)

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SECOND LESSON **Romans 8: 18-25**

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

VERSE OF THE DAY - Deuteronomy 30:14 (*spoken in unison*)

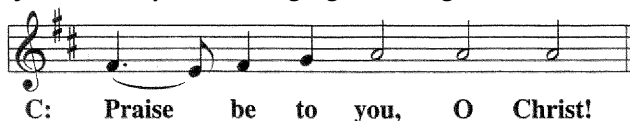
Alleluia. The Word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it. Alleluia.

GOSPEL **Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the lake. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. Then he told them many things in parables, saying: “A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. He who has ears, let him hear.” “Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is the seed sown along the path. The one who received the seed that fell on rocky places is the man who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. But since he has no root, he lasts only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, he quickly falls away. The one who received the seed that fell among the thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the

deceitfulness of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful. But the one who received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who hears the word and understands it. He produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.”

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



HYMN OF THE DAY “I Know My Faith Is Founded” (p. 12) CW, #403

SERMON **Romans 8:18-25** Wait Patiently

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P:** Lord, God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.
- C:** **We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.**

- P:** Jesus, You gave your life in our place that we might be children of God and heirs of your everlasting kingdom.
- C:** **Accept our gratitude and lift our eyes to see your power and mercy surrounding us.**
- P:** You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptation of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.
- C:** **Grant us faith to trust your promises and strength to follow your will.**
- P:** Be with people across the world who are suffering the ravages of war and natural disaster. Bless our land and those who hold offices of high trust. Direct governments to honor your moral will and to provide protection and justice.
- C:** **Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.**
- P:** Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Keep our loved ones from whatever harm to body and spirit that may threaten them.
- (Special prayers)*
- C:** **Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.**
- P:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.
- Silent prayer*
- P:** We bring these requests before you at the invitation of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Use us as your instruments of love and truth in our homes and places of employment, our neighborhoods and our communities.
- C:** **We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight and to your glory. Amen.**

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

PRAYER AND BLESSING

- P:** O Lord God, our Heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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

The Lord bless you and keep you.

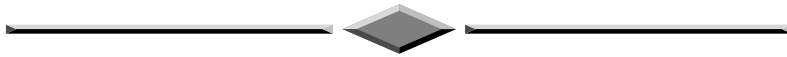
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN "Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast" (p. 11)

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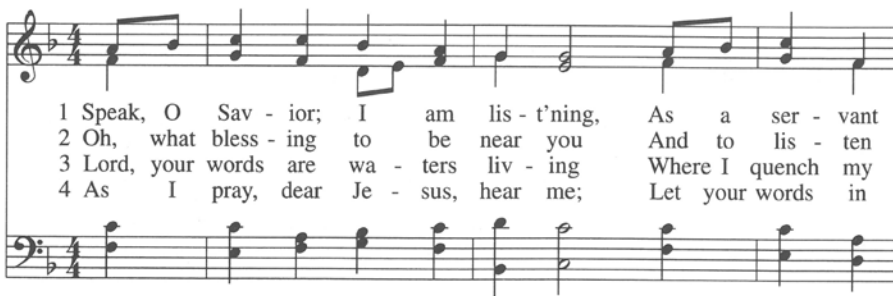


SILENT PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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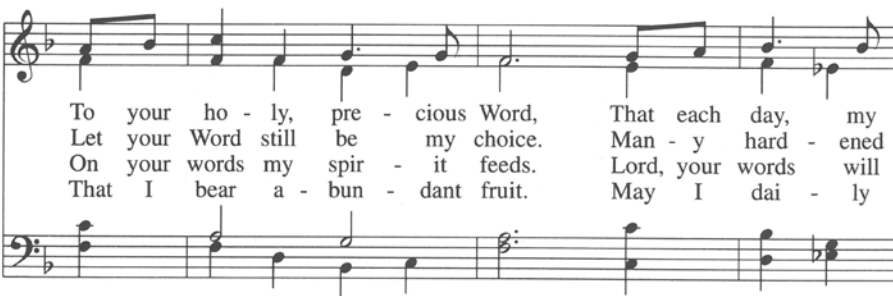
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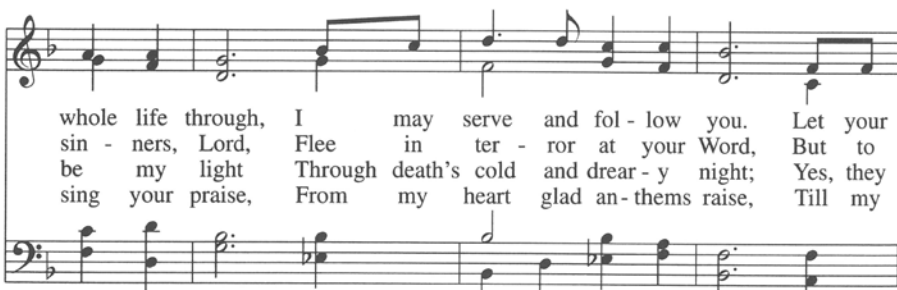
1 Speak, O Sav - ior; I am lis - t'ning, As a ser - vant
 2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near you And to lis - ten
 3 Lord, your words are wa - ters liv - ing Where I quench my
 4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let your words in



to his lord. Let me show re - spect and hon - or
 to your voice! Let me ev - er love and fear you;
 thirst - y needs. Lord, your words are bread life - giv - ing;
 me take root. May your Spir - it e'er be near me



To your ho - ly, pre - cious Word, That each day, my
 Let your Word still be my choice. Man - y hard - ened
 On your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, your words will
 That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly



whole life through, I may serve and fol - low you. Let your
 sin - ners, Lord, Flee in ter - ror at your Word, But to
 be my light Through death's cold and drear - y night; Yes, they
 sing your praise, From my heart glad an - thems raise, Till my

Word e'er be my plea-sure And my heart's most pre - cious trea-sure.
 all who feel sin's bur-den You give peace and words of par - don.
 are my sword pre - vail - ing And my cup of joy un - fail - ing.
 high - est praise is giv - en In the end - less joy of heav - en.

Text: Anna Sophia of Hesse-Darmstadt, 1638-83, abr.; tr. composite
 Tune: Johann Schop, c. 1590-1667

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How Firm a Foundation



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 In ev - 'ry con - di - tion, in sick - ness, in health,
 3 "Fear not, I am with you. Oh, be not dis - mayed,
 4 "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,
 5 "Through-out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove



Is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent Word!
 In pov - er - ty's vale, or a - bound - ing in wealth,
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;
 The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow,
 My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love,



What more can he say than to you he has said
 At home and a - broad, on the land, on the sea—
 I'll strength-en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 For I will be with you your trou - bles to bless
 And then, when gray hair shall their tem - ples a - dorn,



Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 The Lord, the Al - might - y, your strength e'er shall be.
 Up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 And sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
 Like lambs they shall still on my shoul - ders be borne."

Text: *A Selection of Hymns*, London, 1787, abr., alt.

Tune: FIRM FOUNDATION (11 11 11 11) Bernhard Schumacher, 1886–1978.

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

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1 Al - might - y God, your Word is cast Like seed in - to the ground;
 2 Let not the foe of Christ and man This ho - ly seed re - move,
 3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares The ris - ing plant de - stroy,
 4 When - e'er the pre - cious seed is sown, Life - giv - ing grace be - stow



Now let the dew of heav'n de - scend And right - eous fruits a - bound.
 But give it root in ev - 'ry heart To bring forth fruits of love.
 But let it yield a hun - dred - fold The fruits of peace and joy.
 That all whose souls the truth re - ceive Its sav - ing pow'r may know.



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I Know My Faith Is Founded

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

God and Lord; And this my faith con - fess - ing, Un -
 night and day; To rob me of this trea - sure And
 grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver - whelm me, Let

moved I stand up - on his Word. Man's rea - son can - not
 take my hope of bliss a - way. But, Lord, with you be -
 me a stead - fast trust re - tain. And then at my de -

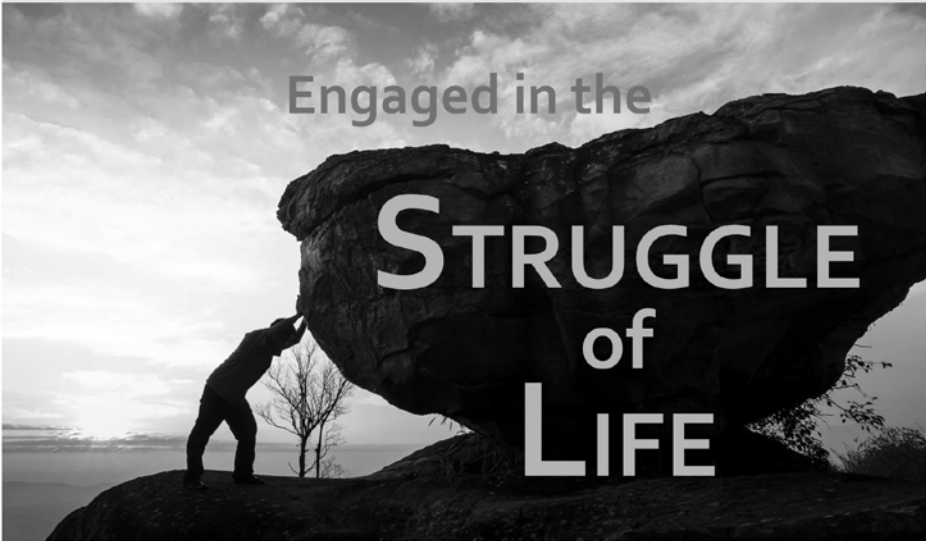
fath - om The truth of God pro - found; Who trusts in
 side me I shall be un - dis - mayed; And led by
 par - ture, Lord, take me home to you, And let me

world - ly wis - dom Re - lies on shift - ing ground. God's Word is
 your good Spir - it, I shall be un - a - fraid. A - bide with
 there in - her - it All you have prom - ised me. In life and

all - suf - fi - cient, It makes di - vine - ly sure, And,
 me, O Sav - ior, A firm - er faith be - stow. Then
 death, Lord, keep me Un - til your heav'n I gain, Where

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

Summer Sermon Series



June to August 2020

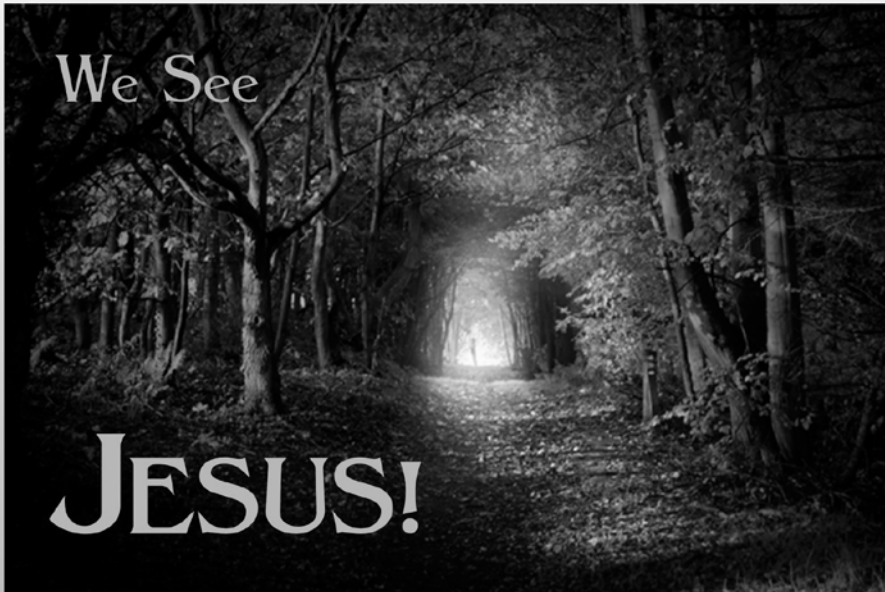
Engaged in the Struggle of Life Series

The Weapons by which we Engage	2 Corinthians 10:1-4
Divine Power Demolishes Strongholds	2 Corinthians 10:3-4
The Methods of Madness	2 Corinthians 10:3-5
How Believers become Offensive	2 Corinthians 10:4-5
Standing Still with God's Skill	2 Corinthians 10:3-5
The Secret Control Factor around Us	2 Corinthians 10:5
Taking Every Thought into Captivity	2 Corinthians 10:2-6

Worship — Live & LiveStream on Sundays

Summer Adult Bible Study

June to August 2020



Hebrews 1-6 — A Path through the Difficult Days

- . Jesus Brings God's Final Message
- . We must Listen to Jesus
- . Jesus became Our High Priest
- . Jesus is the Supreme & Only Savior
- . Beware of being Guided by Your Own Heart
- . The Eternal Rest is Ours by Faith
- . Our Mediator has No Frailties
- . The Grave Danger of Falling Away

9:15am — Fellowship Hall on Sundays

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (7/26)	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Thursday	7:00 PM	Worship w/Communion
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
Sunday (8/2)	8:00 AM	Worship w/Communion
	9:15 AM	Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Worship w/Communion

Next Week's Readings

First Lesson	Joel 3:12-16
Second Lesson	1 Peter 4:1-8
Gospel	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
Psalms	Psalms 18

LiveStream on Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday

This service is also recorded for review after livestream.

Link on our website (see below).

THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

"HIS HOPE HELPS
US THROUGH"

Service Theme

PASTOR: Mike Hintz

ORGANIST: Ann Petermann

HYMNS: 283, 416, 403, 324

FIRST LESSON:

Isaiah 55:10-11

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:18-25

GOSPEL LESSON:

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

THE SERMON:

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