# 8th Sunday after Pentecost July 15 \$ 18, 2021



Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church
(Wisconsin Synod)
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PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: O Lord, my God, you have said: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine." I praise and thank you for drawing me to yourself with loving-kindness. You did not spare your only Son but delivered him up to the cruel death of the cross that I might be your own and live under you in your Kingdom forever. Keep me faithful to Jesus that I might always joyfully serve you in his name. Amen.

**WELCOME!** To God who has given us his Word to reveal Jesus as our Savior from sin and death, and lead us each day in peace and holiness, we give our praise and adoration. May we keep his Word pure and faithfully use it to guide us on our way to heaven. Welcome, guests. There are cards on the table in the entryway which we kindly ask that you fill out. Thank you for worshipping with today.

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

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THE OPENING HYMN

"Alleluia! Let Praises Ring" (p.12)

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP CW, p. 26

- 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**

- **P:** 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.
- **P:** 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

**P:** 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.



**P:** 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.



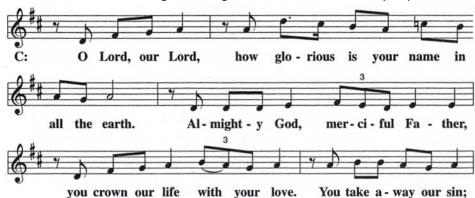
**P:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

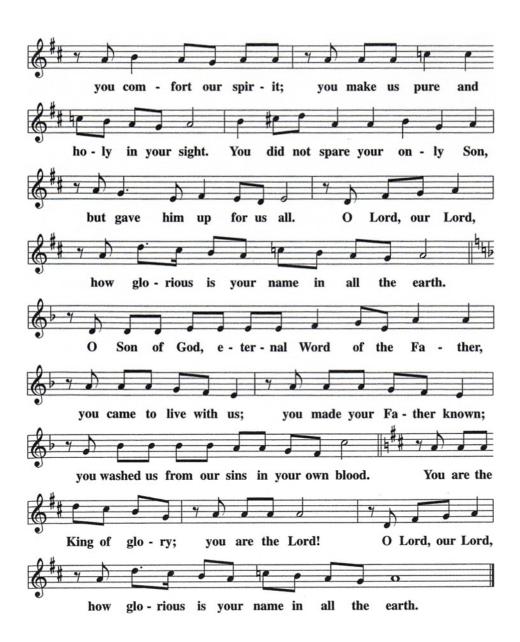


**P:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



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





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** 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.



#### THE OLD TESTAMENT READING AMOS 7:10-17

Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel: "Amos is raising a conspiracy against you in the very heart of Israel. The land cannot bear all his words. For this is what Amos is saying: "Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will surely go into exile, away from their native land." Then Amaziah said to Amos, "Get out, you seer! Go back to the land of Judah. Earn your bread there and do your prophesying there. Don't prophesy anymore at Bethel, because this is the king's sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom." Amos answered Amaziah, "I was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I was a shepherd, and I also took care of sycamore-fig trees. But the Lord took me from tending the flock and said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' Now then, hear the word of the Lord. You say, "'Do not prophesy against Israel, and stop preaching against the descendants of Isaac.' "Therefore this is what the Lord says: "'Your wife will become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and daughters will fall by the sword. Your land will be measured and divided up, and you yourself will die in a pagan country. And Israel will surely go into exile, away from their native land.'"

**THE RESPONSE** "Psalm 78" (p.11) CW, p. 95

#### THE EPISTLE & SERMON TEXT EPHESIANS 1:3-14

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will— to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ. In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we, who were

the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

#### **VERSE OF THE DAY** Deuteronomy 30:14

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

#### THE GOSPEL MARK 6:7-13

Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits. These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them." They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.



THE SERMON HYMN

"Not Unto Us"

(p.14)

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#### **THE SERMON** Ephesians 1:3-14

#### God Chose Us to be His!

- 1. This is God's loving will for us from eternity.
- 2. This is God's gracious goal for us in Christ for eternity.

#### 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.

#### THE OFFERING

Online or in the entryway. Guests please do not feel any obligation to participate in the offering (though you are always welcome to do so). Please fill out a Guest Card located in the entryway, and drop it in the box on the Welcome Center so we can connect with you – thanks!

#### PRAYERS AND 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.

#### THE SACRAMENT

**P:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He made his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. 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



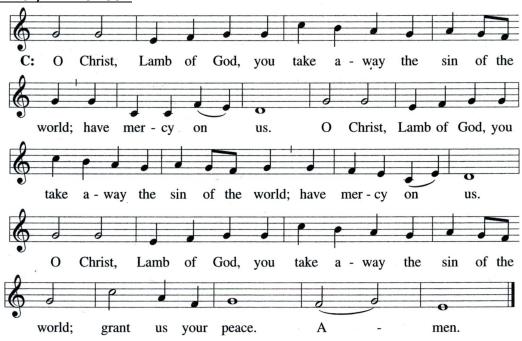
#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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



#### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



THE DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"Lord, 'Tis Not that I Did Choose You" (p.15)

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#### **PRAYER**

**P:** 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.



**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.



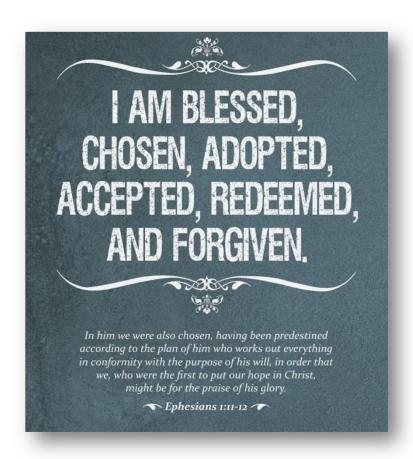
THE CLOSING HYMN

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

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## Psalm 78





O my people, hear my teaching;\* listen to the words of my mouth.

I will utter things from of old,\*
what we have heard and what our fathers have told us.

We will not hide them from our children;\*
we will tell the next generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD.

#### Refrain

The LORD decreed statutes for Jacob\* and established the law in Israel,

so the next generation would know them,\* and they in turn would tell their children.

Then they would put their trust in God\* and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

#### Refrain

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# Alleluia! Let Praises Ring





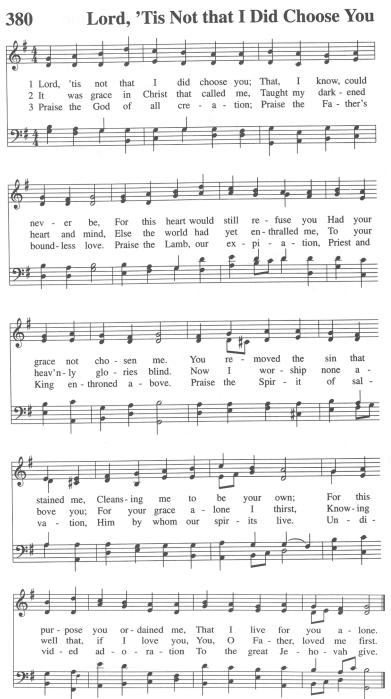
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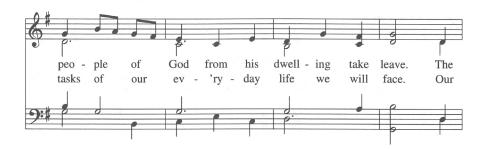
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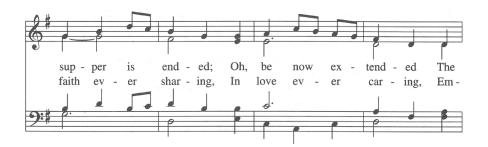


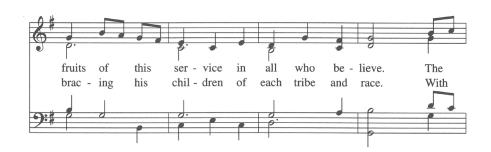
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# Sent Forth by God's Blessing











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# Before and After School Care Position

# **Our Savior Lutheran School, Grafton**

Our Savior Lutheran is looking for a person to provide before school care during the hours of 6:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. and then after school care from 3:15 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

If interested, please contact Principal Nathan Schultz at 262-377-7780 or 262-338-4593 or email resume/message to <a href="mailto:nschultz@oursaviorgrafton.org">nschultz@oursaviorgrafton.org</a>.

School begins on Wednesday, August 19, 2021.

"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."

Hebrews 4:16



"Stand up, stand up for Jesus, The strife will not be long; This day the noise of battle, The next the victor's song. To those who vanquish evil A crown of life shall be; They with the King of Glory Shall reign eternally."

July 4: Brave Enough to Proclaim Him July 11: Brave in Holding to the Truth

August 1: Brave to Seek the Power of Prayer

August 8: Brave for an Audience of One

August 15: Brave to Empower & Equip

August 22: Brave by Learning from the Past

August 29: Brave while Adapting to Challenges

September 5: Brave to Counsel & Redirect

# Summer Sermon Series

"Be Strong and Courageous."

"Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

(Joshua 1:9)

## THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (7/18) Worship Service w/Communion 8:00 AM 9:15 AM Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM Worship Service w/Communion Tuesday 6:00 PM Stewardship Meeting Wednesday 7:30 PM Men's softball game Thursday 7:00 PM Worship Service Sunday (7/25) 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:15 AM Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM Worship Service

Next Week's Readings

First Lesson Ruth 4:13-17
Second Lesson Ephesians 3:2-12
Gospel Matthew 2:1-12
Psalm Psalm 72

LiveStream on Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday This service is also recorded for review after livestream. Link on our website (see below).

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# THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

"BLESSED TO BE HIS"

Service Theme

<u>Pastor</u> Mike Hintz

Organist

Monica Dierker

**Vocalists** 

Rod & Karen Bollinger

Hymns 241, 392, 380, 318

FIRST LESSON: Amos 7:10-17

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians1:3-14

Gospel Lesson: Mark 6:7-13

SERMON:

Ephesians1:3-14

"God Chose
Us to be His!"

Nathan Schultz

Principal