9TH Sunday after Pentecost July 22 & 25, 2021



Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

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- **VERSICLE:** "If you, O LORD, kept a record of sis, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared." Psalm 130:3-4
- **PRAYER OF THE DAY:** Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **WORSHIP NOTES:** Welcome to our worship this morning! One of the most cherished images of Jesus is as a shepherd who carefully watches over his flock. Pastor is a Shepherd of people, modeled after our Lord himself. He nurtures each of us with his protection, provision and passion. He even wants those who have wandered to come back into the flock (congregation) and if they don't show any signs of doing so he goes out (or sends us out) to look for them. This is the picture we'll contemplate together today.

Guests: Welcome to all who are visiting with us today! Please note:Restrooms: far side (south) of the entry. Hearing Help: enhanced hearing units available.Parent's Room: far left (southwest). Large Print Hymnal: Please contact an usher

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GOD WELCOMES US

- **P:** On behalf of our risen Savior Jesus Christ, I welcome you all to God's house. But why have you come?
- C: We share the Psalmist's joy when he said, "I rejoice with those who said to me, Let us go to the house of the Lord." We come with joy to rejoice that God is our Savior.
- **P:** How good it is to rejoice in the name of the Lord. Let's begin then by lifting up our hearts and voices in praise to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

OPENING HYMN "Forth in Your Name, O Lord, I Go" (p.7) CW, #456

WE CONFESS OUR SINS

- **P:** God clearly says in his Word that the only one who may ascend the hill of the Lord and stand in his presence is the one who has clean hands and a pure heart.
- C: But we are a sinful people. We have unclean lips and we live among people with unclean lips. God says, "If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." So we come to confess our sins and to seek his forgiveness.
- P: It is good that we do not hide or make excuses for our sins because God sees and knows everything about us. Rather let us confess our sins and lay them before Christ's cross so that through his mercy we might hear his words of forgiveness.
- ALL: Dear God of all mercy, we come before your holy throne today seeking your forgiveness for our rebellion. We are by nature inclined to put ourselves or our things first. We have not always loved our neighbors as ourselves, but we have at times been mean, lying, lustful, arrogant, greedy and selfish. Forgive us for our worldliness and our lack of godliness. Forgive us for all the times we refused to listen to your word, trust in your power, and obey your commands. Forgive us in your mercy so that we are not destroyed in your anger.

GOD PUBLICLY FORGIVES OUR SINS

P: The Lord has assured us "As surely as I live, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live." In fact, "God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." Therefore, on behalf of and by the command of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I forgive you of all your sins and declare you clean of your guilt in the name of the Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

WE GIVE THANKS

C: (Sung)

From CW, # 548:1-2

O Lord, in prayer you spent the night, Then sent the twelve at morning's light. Our hearts at your request are stirred To ask for heralds of your Word: Send preachers forth and each one bless With courage, zeal, and holiness.

Keep pastors faithful, strong, and true, Not working for themselves but you. Endow them with the grace they need, The lambs to serve, the sheep to feed, The precious flock to lead and guide -- The Shepherd thus is glorified.

GOD FEEDS US WITH HIS WORD

- **P:** Now that you have experienced that the Lord is good, have received God's forgiveness and are assured of his loving mercy, what else have you come for?
- C: Jesus said, "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and obey it." So we come to sit at his feet and to listen to his word for it is, "A lamp for our feet and a light for our paths."

FIRST LESSON JEREMIAH 23:1-6

"Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. Therefore this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: "Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done," declares the LORD. "I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing," declares the LORD. "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up for David^[a] a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior.

RESPONSE "First Song of Isaiah"

LAPP, p. 71

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior. Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation. And on that day you shall say "Give thanks to the Lord!" and call upon his name.

SECOND LESSON

HEBREWS 13:7-8, 17-21

These words urge a particular response to the gospel in those who proclaim it and in those who hear it. Frail and imperfect as their leaders may be, the leaders do well to live honorably and with a conscience that need not accuse them of unfaithfulness to either the law or the gospel. When congregations have such leaders, the leaders will not place stumbling blocks in front of their people. Faithfulness to the Word on the part of the leaders equips the hearers to do what is pleasing and what glorifies our God.

Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honorably in every way. I particularly urge you to pray so that I may be restored to you soon. May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the

dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

RESPONSE "First Song of Isaiah"

LAPP, p. 71

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior. Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his name is exalted. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world. Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

GOSPEL

MARK 6:30-34

May we ever be eager to do what the disciples did, to report to him all that we have done and taught. The one who looks forward to reporting to Jesus all that he has done and taught will not soon degenerate into a mere professional, whose goal is to win the praise of the crowd and ultimately (whether he knows and it admits or not) a following for himself. Jesus will know and understand that because of the weakness of our mortal frames we have become worn and tired in the struggle against the enemy. He will invite us to go with him to a quiet place where we may hear him and feast on his words for us, just for us. That's what he invites us to receive from him in our private devotional life.

The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

SONG OF THE DAY "Lord Jesus Christ, My Savior Blest" (p.8) CW, #362

WE PONDER GOD'S WORD IN OUR HEARTS

MESSAGE & MEDITATION MARK 6:30-34

"Jesus' Compassion for the Lost"

Part 1 Like sheep without a shepherd Part 2 Compassion through teaching

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

- **P:** God has written, "If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord' and believe in your hearts that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Therefore, why else have you come?
- C: We have come also to confess our faith in Jesus which the Holy Spirit has put in our hearts and which we strive to live out in our daily lives.
- **P:** Then let us publicly declare what we privately believe:

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God the Father almighty, creator of all things, the source of all goodness and love. He is our God and we are His people.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God the Son, true God and true man. He was crucified, died and was buried for our sin, that we might be free. He rose again on the third day that we might enjoy life with God now and for eternity. He ascended into heaven and will come again in power and glory to judge both the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; He has made us members of the people of God through Word and Sacrament, and sustains and strengthens us in the one true Christian faith through those same means of grace. We believe that our sins have been forgiven and that we will live together with God and all believers now and throughout all eternity.

WE PRAISE GOD WITH OUR GIFTS

- P: Why else have you come and what is this you have brought with you?
- C: God's word says, "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops," and so we come bearing gifts of love to praise our loving God.
- **P**: It is good and right that we praise our God with our wealth and so let us join in an offering prayer that God may find our humble offering acceptable and pleasing in his sight.
- ALL: Our Savior, give us grace to lovingly, unselfishly dedicate ourselves and our possessions for use in your kingdom. Mindful of our shortcomings and sins, we bring this offering to your altar in a spirit of meekness and repentance. Forgive us for all the times we have been unloving, greedy and selfish, and open our hearts to give to you in love as in love you gave yourself for us. Hear us to the glory of your name. Amen!

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!

SPECIAL PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Our Father in heaven, we hallow your name. May your kingdom holy on earth be the same. Oh, give to us daily our portion of bread. It is from your bounty that all must be fed.

> Forgive our transgressions and teach us to know That humble compassion which pardons each foe. Keep us from temptation, from evil and sin, For yours is the glory forever! Amen.

GOD BLESSES US

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: Amen. (Sung)

<u>CLOSING SONG</u> "O Lord, in Prayer You Spent the Night" (p.9)

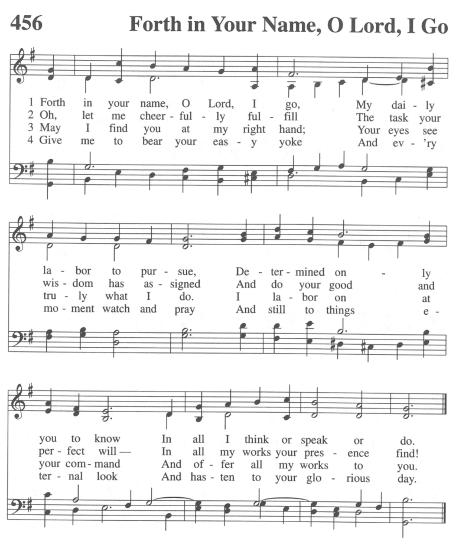
CW, 548:4



SILENT PRAYER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAPP, p. 234

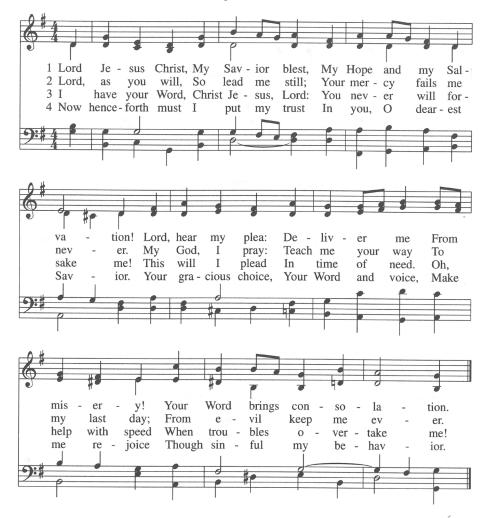
COMMITMENT



5 For you I joyously employ Whatever you in grace have giv'n; I run my daily course with joy And closely walk with you to heav'n.

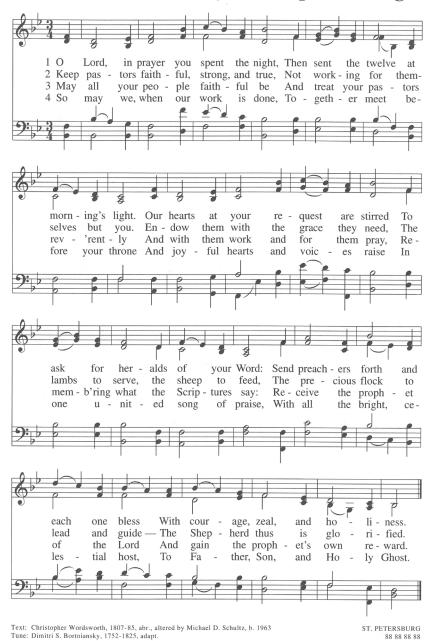
Lord Jesus Christ, My Savior Blest

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5 Grant, Lord, I pray, Your grace each day, That I, your name revering, Your glory see And happy be Eternally, Before your throne appearing.

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Sunday, August 22nd



11:15 am, immediately following 10 am worship

Hamburgers, hot-dogs & brats served off the grill

Lemonade Ice cream

Games (for all ages) after lunch.



What to bring: Dessert or Side-dish to share

FREE WILL OFFERING

JOIN US FOR DELICIOUS FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (7/25)	8:00	am	Worship Service
	9:15	am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30	am	Worship Service
Wednesday Thursday Sunday (8/1)	7:30 7:00 8:00 9:15 10:30	pm pm am am am	Men's Softball Worship Service w/Communion Worship Service w/Communion Adult Bible Study Worship Service w/Communion

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS1st Lesson2 Kings 4:42-442nd Lesson2 Corinthians 9:8-11GospelJohn 6:1-15PsalmPsalm 84

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

"Our Pastor (Jesus) Cares for Us" Service Theme

PREACHER: ISAAC PAPPENFUSS

Organist: Ann Peterman

Vocalist: Lisa McLoughlin

<u>Нуммs</u>: 456, 548:1-2, 362, 548:4

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

SECOND READING: Hebrews 13:7-8, 17-21

GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34

SERMON: Jeremiah 23:1-6

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