

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship –9:30 am

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 12, 2025

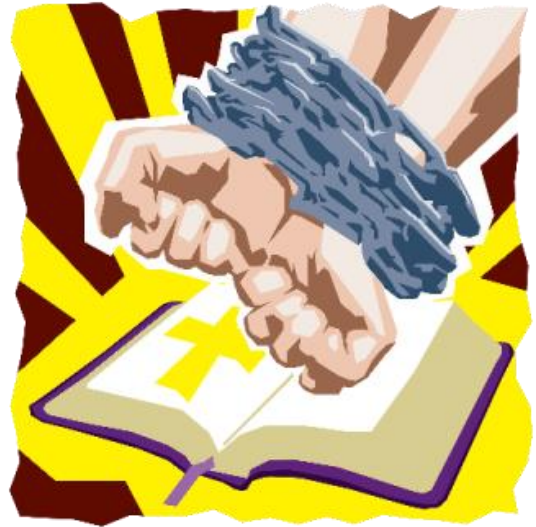
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIDEO “Here I Am to Worship” (Maranatha-2011/12)

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes and let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You (Chorus)

[Chorus]
Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
Altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh so highly exalted
You're glorious in heaven above, yes You are
Humbly You came to this Earth You created
All for love's sake became poor (Chorus)
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin up on that cross
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin up on that cross. (Chorus)



INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalms 111:1–8*

P: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
C: **Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.**
P: Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.
C: **He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**
P: He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever.

C: He has shown His people the power of His works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations.
P: The works of His hands are faithful and just; all His precepts are trustworthy;
C: they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *2 Timothy 2:1, 3, 8a, 11–13; Psalm 111:9–10*

P: As we come before the Lord with humble and contrite hearts, we hear the words of encouragement from Paul to young Timothy: “You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus.”

C: God of grace, we ask Your forgiveness for the times we seek strength away from where You promise to be present with Your Word and in Your means of grace, and for the times we have not desired the grace found in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

P: “Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.”

C: We confess we have chosen the easy way out when our following and serving of Jesus becomes difficult for our lives, forsaking Your name and the name You have given us in Baptism.

P: “Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.”

C: We confess we have not remembered the victory Jesus Christ has won for us over sin, death, and the devil, through His sacrificial death and rising from the dead. Because of this, we have not loved You with all our heart, soul, and strength, and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with Him,

C: we will also live with Him;

P: if we endure, we will also reign with Him;

C: if we deny Him, He also will deny us;

P: if we are faithless,

C: He remains faithful—for He cannot deny Himself.

P: Our faithful God, the one almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: He sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever.

C: Holy and awesome is His name!

P: The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

C: His praise endures forever!

SHARING GOD’S PEACE

BLESSING OF THE QUILTS

Lutheran World Relief Litany of Thanksgiving and Dedication

L: Let us pray. O Lord our God, maker of all things, You have blessed our dedicated women with so many Gifts — a good eye for color, the ability to make fine stitches, the skills to develop ever-new and exciting patterns. Now we offer the fruits of their labors, these quilts made to Your glory.

C: We dedicate these Quilts to your service, trusting that your love will go wherever each Quilt is sent, making each one more than just a piece of material, rather, an expression of Your great love. How You can use something as small as a Quilt, to radiate your love from our hands to the world is a mystery to us. Trusting You to work Your love into these love-fastened fabrics, let them be used in Your service and become blessings for all those who receive them.

L: Lord, we know that all we possess comes from your loving hand. Give us grace to honor You with every gift given in Your name. Use us as You will, always to Your glory and the welfare of Your people.

C: Amen.

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Help us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Ruth 1:1–19a* (Ruth's loyalty to widow Naomi)

1 In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. ² The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³ But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴ These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, ⁵ and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

⁶ Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. ⁷ So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. ⁸ But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹ The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. ¹⁰ And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹ But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹² Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, ¹³ would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me." ¹⁴ Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵ And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶ But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." ¹⁸ And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

¹⁹ So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL *Psalm 91:11; 103:1*

Pastor: He will command His angels concerning you

People: **to guard you in all your ways.**

Pastor: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

People: **and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

EPISTLE *2 Timothy 2:1–13* (A good soldier of Jesus Christ)

2 You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ² and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.

³ Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴ No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. ⁵ An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶ It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷ Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

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VERSE *Luke 5:15*

P: Alleluia, alleluia!

C: **Now even more the report about Him went abroad, and great crowds gathered to hear Him and to be healed of their infirmities.**

P: Alleluia, alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 17:11–19* (Jesus cleanses ten lepers.) (*Please rise.*)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

¹¹ On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³ and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴ When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they

went they were cleansed. ¹⁵ Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶ and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸ Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.** *(Please be seated.)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 557 "Seek Where You May to Find a Way"

Seek where you may To find a way,
That leads to your salvation.
My heart is stilled, On Christ I build,
He is the one foundation.
His Word is sure, His works endure;
He overthrows All evil foes;
Through Him I more than conquer.

Seek whom you may To be your stay,
None can redeem his brother.
All helpers failed; This man prevailed,
The God-man and none other,
Our Servant King Of whom we sing.
We're justified Because He died,
The guilty being guiltless.

Seek Him alone, Who did atone,
Who did your souls deliver.
O seek Him first All you who thirst,
For grace that fails you never.
In ev'ry need Seek him indeed;
To ev'ry heart He will impart
His blessing without measure.

My heart's delight, My crown most bright,
O Christ, my joy forever.
Not wealth nor pride Nor fortune's tide
Our bonds of love shall sever.
You are my Lord; Your precious Word
Shall guide my way And help me stay
Forever in Your presence.

SERMON "Remember Jesus Christ, Risen from the Dead," 2 Timothy 2:1-13
Pastor Mark Rabe

CREED The Apostle's *Creed*. *(Please rise.)*

ALL: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven
and earth.

And 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 sits at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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 HYMN NO 685 “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus” *(Please be seated.)*

Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father’s bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where You guide.

Let us suffer here with Jesus
And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
Where He is, there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter.
We shall reap celestial joy;
All discomforts that annoy
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share your woe;
Help me there Your joy to know.

Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death He conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heave..
Jesus, here with You I die,
There to live with You on high.

Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.
Jesus, You are now our head,
We are Your own living members;
Where You live, there we shall be

In Your presence constantly,
Living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be,
Life eternal grant to me.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *2 Timothy 2:8, 13*

P: Let us pray for the people of God in Christ Jesus, for His church, and for all people according to their needs.

God of everlasting mercy, You offer Your salvation and redemption to all people with forgiveness assured through faith in Your Son. As You did for Your people of old, including Ruth and Naomi, grant us trust in Your provision and direction, even amid trials we may face. Help us to endure and to also point others to the help and hope You offer and sustain by Your grace. As we remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,

C: hear our prayer, for You remain faithful.

P: Ever-sustaining Lord, who strengthens by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, encourage us by Your servant Paul. As he endured persecution and prison for the sake of Your Gospel for the salvation of the world, sustain us in our faith and in our witness. Grant strength to endure the trials and sufferings in this world, and to remain firm in faith when we bear Your name as Your baptized and redeemed people. Soften hearts of those who reject Your Word and grace and pour out Your Spirit that many more may come to know Your mercy, which is known and shown through Your Son. As we remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,

C: hear our prayer, for You remain faithful.

P: Healing Lord, out of compassion, Jesus healed the ten lepers afflicted by disease. Be with those who suffer in body and mind with disease, diagnosis, and despair. We especially lift up to You those who have asked for our prayers, [*including . . .*]. For those afflictions and ailments known only to You, grant the comfort of Your presence and healing according to Your will. We thank You for the healing of our greatest afflictions faced against the world, the devil, and our sinful flesh. Through hardships, as we remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead,

C: hear our prayer, for You remain faithful.

P: Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

**People: 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.**

CLOSING SENTENCES *2 Timothy 2:1, 3, 8a, 11–13*

P: Be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

C: Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.

P: Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.

C: **Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.**

P: If we have died with Him, we will also live with Him; if we endure, we will also reign with Him; if we deny Him, He also will deny us; if we are faithless, He remains faithful—for He cannot deny Himself.

C: **Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead.**

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

VIDEO “There Is a Redeemer,” by Keith Green (You Tube.) (*Please rise.*)

There is a redeemer
Jesus, God's own son
Precious lamb of God, Messiah
Holy one
Jesus my redeemer
Name above all names
Precious lamb of God, Messiah
Oh, for sinners slain.

Thank you oh my father
For giving us your son
And leaving your spirit
'Til the work on earth is done.

When I stand in glory
I will see his face
And there I'll serve my king forever
In that holy place.

Thank you oh my father
For giving us your son
And leaving your spirit
'Til the work on earth is done.

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THE SENDING

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**