

# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Pastor Joe Johnson**  
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**Sunday, August 3, 2025**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**9:30 AM**



**PRELUDE**

**Organist: Vicky Grothmann**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN:** "God, Whose Farm Is All Creation"

**ELW 734**

*1) God, whose farm is all creation, take the gratitude we give; take the finest of our harvest, crops we grow that we may live.*

*2) Take our plowing, seeding, reaping, hopes and fears of sun and rain, all our thinking, planning, waiting, ripened in this fruit and grain.*

*3) All our labor, all our watching, all our calendar of care in these crops of your creation, take, O God: they are our prayer.*

**BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L (Leader); C (Congregation)

**L:** In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

**L:** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

**L:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. 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**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen**

### **GREETING**

L: 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.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"

**ELW 774**

*1) What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

**Refrain:** *Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*2) Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*(Refrain)*

*3) What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*(Refrain)*

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: God of joy and sorrow,

**C: Give us the wisdom to perceive, use, understand, manage, and handle emotions. Help us identify our emotional strengths and weaknesses that impact our thoughts and actions. Help us foster trust, compassion, resilience and persistence as we seek to create a positive environment for collaboration. Amen.**

## **FIRST READING: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven:

- <sup>2</sup> a time to be born and a time to die;  
a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted;
- <sup>3</sup> a time to kill and a time to heal;  
a time to break down and a time to build up;
- <sup>4</sup> a time to weep and a time to laugh;  
a time to mourn and a time to dance;
- <sup>5</sup> a time to throw away stones and a time to gather stones together;  
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing;
- <sup>6</sup> a time to seek and a time to lose;  
a time to keep and a time to throw away;
- <sup>7</sup> a time to tear and a time to sew;  
a time to keep silent and a time to speak;
- <sup>8</sup> a time to love and a time to hate;  
a time for war and a time for peace.

L: The word of the Lord.    **C: Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**    *ELW p. 151*

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

**GOSPEL READING: John 11:35**

Jesus wept.

L: The gospel of the Lord.    **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **MESSAGE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** "When Peace like a River"

**ELW 785**

*1) When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.*

*It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.*

*2) Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest  
assurance control, that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed  
his own blood for my soul. It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.*

3) *He lives, oh the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.*

4) *Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul. It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.*

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.**

**PRAYER SONG:** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

ELW 742 vs. 1-2

*1) What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!*

*2) Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged, take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness, take it to the Lord in prayer.*

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**L:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** **hear our prayer.**

**PRAYER SONG:** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

ELW 742 V. 3

*3) Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.*

### **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**OFFERING / OFFERTORY:** "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

ELW 184

*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 dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.  
Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.*

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** ELW p. 154

**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.**

**HOLY COMMUNION** *All are Welcome at the Lord's table. Note that all the communion wine is alcohol-free and the communion bread is gluten-free.*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

*Lift High the Cross - ELW 660  
I Love to Tell the Story - ELW 661*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**SENDING HYMN:** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

ELW 836

*1) Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.*

*2) All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.*

*3) Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!*

**BLESSING / THREE BELLS**

**DISMISSAL / POSTLUDE**

**L:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:** **Helping people experience the Love of God.**

# *O Lord, Hear Our Prayers*

## **Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...**

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Jason Siegert, LaRae Kuntz

## **God's Healing Presence for...**

Jeanie Swenson	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Bonnie Spicer	Marilyn Hall (Sarah Lovas' mom)
Senora Almquist	Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)
Mya Oelrich	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Dan Bjorklund	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Jerry Boeddeker	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Larry (Butch) Lovas	Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Deb Kritzberger	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Carol Christianson	Jon Pawlikowski (Veronika Lee's dad)
Kenna Kappes	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Becky Foss	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Peggy Gilbertson	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)
Charlie Anderson	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
Susie Anderson	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)

**Safety for those serving in the Military...** especially those serving in combat areas:

**Our Sympathy to...** Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

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**EDUCATION PASTOR:** Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

**VISITATION MINISTER:** Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

**HEAD USHER:** Ed Laxdal

**ATTENDANCE:** July 27, 2025 – 50

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** July 27, 2025: \$734.00; July to date: \$10,546.00.

Income through June 30, 2025: \$215,224.56; Expenses through June 30, 2025:

\$208,412.30 Income less Expense: \$6,812.26

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)



**POTLUCK EVENT – “Growing A Feast!!”**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025**

**10:30 AM BRUNCH**

**at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church  
204 E Caledonia Ave, Hillsboro**

***Bring a favorite dish to share or  
something from your garden!***

**All are invited to FREE PIZZA MONDAYS**

Each Monday from 11:30am to 12:30pm, June 2-August 18, there will be free pizza slices along with a beverage served out in front of Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, 204 E Caledonia Ave, Hillsboro. Backpack program bags will also be available for pick-up.

**HILLSBORO KIWANIS FOOD PANTRY:**

**Items needed include:**

Peanut Butter, Stove-top stuffing, Hamburger Helper, Canned Tuna, Canned Chicken, Canned vegetables, Pork Beans, Pasta Products, Spaghetti Sauce, Salad Dressing, Jello, Brownie Mix, Flour, Coffee & Tea, Ketchup, Mustard  
Toothpaste, Body Wash, Deodorant, Shampoo/Conditioner, Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Feminine Hygiene Products, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Kleenex, Napkins

Place your items in the wood crate located inside and to the west of the front door of the church. The Hillsboro Kiwanis Food Pantry is located at the Hillsboro Armory. Open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month from 4-6 pm. THANK YOU for your generous donations for those in need. If you have any questions please contact Rich G. at 701-436-5777 or Dan C. at 701-430-1595.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

### **Sunday, August 3**

Communion Sunday  
9:30am Worship Service  
10:30am Coffee/Fellowship  
6:30pm **Council Meeting**  
7:00pm AA Meeting

### **Monday, August 4**

11:30-12:30am Free Pizza Monday

### **Tuesday, August 5**

7:00am Text Bible Study  
(Hillsboro Café)

### **Wednesday, August 6**

7:00am Men's Bible Study  
(Hillsboro Café)

### **Thursday, August 7**

9:30am WELCA Exec. meet  
10:00am WELCA Meeting  
10:45am Worship Service at HMC  
2-3pm Kiwanis Bldgs communion

### **Sunday, August 10**

Communion Sunday  
9:30am Worship Service  
10:30am **Potluck Brunch**/Fellowship  
7:00pm AA Meeting

**PARENT / INFORMATION MEETINGS: Wednesday, August 27**  
at Our Savior's in the dining room

**Sunday school** parents meet at 6:00pm

**Confirmation parents (and students)** meet at 6:30pm

**PASTOR JOE: 701.430.3787**

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