

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, September 7, 2025
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 AM



Open Door

PRELUDE

THE FIRE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: "Old Church Choir"

*There's revival, and it's spreading like a wildfire in my heart, A Sunday morning,
Hallelujah and it's lasting all week long, Can you hear it? Can you feel it?
It's the rhythm of a gospel song, Once you choose it, you can't lose it,
There ain't nothing, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy*

Refrain: *I've got an Old Church Choir singing in my soul, I've got a sweet salvation and
it's beautiful, I've got a heart overflowing 'cause I've been restored, There ain't nothing
gonna steal my joy, No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy*

*When the valleys that I wander, Turn to mountains that I can't climb, Oh, you're with me,
never leave me 'Cause there ain't nothing, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy (Ref.)*

*Clap your hands and stomp your feet Till you find that gospel beat, 'Cause He's all you'll
ever need, all you'll ever need, Clap your hands and stomp your feet Till you find that
gospel beat, 'Cause He's all you'll ever need, all you'll ever need*

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gonna steal my joy, No, there ain't nothing gonna steal my joy, Oh, there ain't nothing
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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.

SONG OF PRAISE: "Praise"

*Let everything, that has breath Praise the Lord, praise the Lord
Let everything that has breath Praise the lord, praise the Lord*

*I'll praise in the valley, praise on the mountain
I'll praise when I'm sure, praise when I'm doubting
I'll praise when outnumbered, praise when surrounded
'Cause praise is the waters my enemies drown in*

*As long as I'm breathing, I've got a reason to Praise the Lord, oh my soul
Praise the Lord, oh my soul*

*I'll praise when I feel it, and I'll praise when I don't, I'll praise 'cause I know You're still in control, 'Cause my praise is a weapon, it's more than a sound
Oh, my praise is the shout that brings Jericho down*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of all grace,

C: We give you thanks because by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection opened the doors of heaven to all believers. Open our hearts and minds to your love, peace, hope, and comfort, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG for the WORD: "Holy Spirit" (Chorus)

*Holy Spirit, You are welcome here. Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere,
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for. To be overcome by Your presence, Lord,
Your presence, Lord*

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 7:7-12

⁷ "Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ⁹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for bread, would give a stone? ¹⁰ Or if the child asked for a fish, would give a snake? ¹¹ If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

¹² "In everything do to others as you would have them do to you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: "Good, Good Father"

*Oh, I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like.
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night.
And You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone.*

Refrain: *You're a good, good Father. It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are, and I'm loved by You. It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.*

*Oh, and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide.
But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide.
'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word. (Refrain)*

*Because You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways.
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us. You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are
perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways to us.*

Oh, it's love so undeniable, I, I can hardly speak. Peace so unexplainable, I, I can hardly think. As you call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still into love, love, love.

Refrain: *You're a good, good Father. It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are, and I'm loved by You. It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am. (Repeat)*

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: "In Jesus' Name"

I speak the name of Jesus over you. In your hurting, in your sorrow I will ask my God to move. I speak the name 'cause it's all that I can do. In desperation, I'll seek heaven, and pray this for you. I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

PRAYER SONG: "In Jesus' Name" continued

I speak the name of all authority, Declaring blessings, ev'ry promise He is faithful to keep. I speak the name no grave could ever hold. He is greater, He is stronger, He's the God of possible.

Refrain: *I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.*

Come believe it, come receive it. Oh, the power of His Spirit is now forever yours. Come believe it, come receive it. In the mighty name of Jesus, all things are possible. (Refrain)

I pray for revival, for restoration of faith.

I pray that the dead will come to life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

“House of the Lord” by THE FIRE

OFFERTORY: “Multiplied” Chorus

God of mercy, sweet love of mine, I have surrendered to Your design.

May this offering stretch across the skies, and these hallelujahs be multiplied.

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 SONGS: “Come to the Table”, “Brother” (words on screen)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING SONG: “Build Your Kingdom Here”

Come set Your rule and reign, in our hearts again, increase in us we pray, unveil why we're made, come set our hearts ablaze with hope like wildfire in our very souls, Holy Spirit come invade us now, We are Your Church, We need Your power in us

We seek Your kingdom first, we hunger and we thirst, refuse to waste our lives for You're our joy and prize, to see the captive hearts released the hurt, the sick, the poor at peace, we lay down our lives for Heaven's cause, We are Your Church, We pray revive this earth

Refrain: *Build Your kingdom here, let the darkness fear, show Your mighty hand, heal our streets and land, set Your church on fire, win this nation back, change the atmosphere, build Your kingdom here we pray.*

Unleash Your kingdom's power, reaching the near and far, no force of hell can stop Your beauty changing hearts, You made us for much more than this, awake the kingdom seed in us, fill us with the strength and love of Christ, We are Your Church, We are the hope of earth (Refrain 2X) We are Your church, We are the hope on earth

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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

POSTLUDE

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Adele Aasen, Ellie Vice

God's Healing Presence for...

Bryan Mueller	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Bonnie Spicer	Marilyn Hall (Sarah Lovas' mom)
Jeanie Swenson	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)
Becky Foss	Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Deb Kritzerberger	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Carol Christianson	Jon Pawlikowski (Veronika Lee's dad)
Kenna Kappes	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Peggy Gilbertson	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Susie Anderson	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)
Charlie Anderson	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
	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:

SENIOR PASTOR: Pastor Joe Johnson, 701-430-3787

EDUCATION PASTOR: Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

VISITATION MINISTER: Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Brayden Ambuehl, Keagan Ambuehl (10:30) Ryland Carlson, Liam Edenberg

ATTENDANCE: August 31, 2025 – 50

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: Aug. 31, 2025: \$1,805.00; Aug. to date: \$18,097.64.

Income through July 31, 2025: \$234,540.68; Expenses through July 31, 2025: \$245,294.16.

Income less Expense: -\$10,753.48

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

TODAY! Following the 10:30am worship service there will be a NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY outside of the church with a free meal, games, and bouncy houses! ALL ARE WELCOME!!

WELCA - EaND SWO - Annual Fall Convention: September 13th

Saturday, September 13, 2025 at St. Olaf Lutheran Church, Devils Lake, ND. Registration at 8:15am and Opening at 9:00am. The theme is "Surrounded by the Spirit" *Since we live by the Spirit, let us walk by the Spirit* Galatians 5:25. Keynote Speaker Prairie Rose Seminole. In-kind Offering to Hope Center, Devils Lake: personal care products, and to Prison Ministry: yarn. Contact Sylvia Hansen at 701-430-0820 if you would like to go and we will try to arrange transportation based on number attending.

OSLC Choir and Handbell Choir practices begin Monday, September 15th!

Greetings to musicians of OSLC of all skill levels! Yes, there is a place for you in the Music Ministry at Our Savior's. We would love to have you join us in Praise of our Lord through the joy of music. There is plenty of room for you in the vocal choir and/or the Handbell choir. If you have any questions of where you would fit, please give me a call or text: Ruth Olson 701-430-0451. We practice on Monday evenings, starting on September 15. Choir meets 6:30 to 7:15 pm; Handbells from 7:30 to 8:15 pm. Give it some consideration--we'd love to see you!

FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP: September 17th

Have you had to plan a funeral? If not, you may have to in the future and you may like more information now about the decisions you will have to make then.

Have you thought about helping your loved ones out and letting them know your wishes by planning your own funeral? If so, this workshop can help you.

Marty Baumgartner, Wildeman-Boulger Funeral Home, and Pastor Joe Johnson, OSLC, will lead a program relating to funeral planning on **Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2025 at 1:30pm** in the Dining Hall at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 204 E Caledonia Ave, Hillsboro. All interested people are Welcome and Invited to attend this workshop.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child

WELCA will be collecting boxes for Operation Christmas Child again this year. OCC delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Each box packed full of quality toys, school supplies, and personal care items becomes a tangible expression of God's immense love for the child. For many, it is their first gift ever! Delivered by our local church partners, shoebox gifts provide an opportunity to present the Gospel to boys and girls in a clear, child-friendly way.

How to Pack a Shoebox:

- 1) Find a Shoebox: preprinted cardboard shoeboxes are available in the OSLC courtyard.
- 2) Attach a Label – decide on Girl/Boy and age category: 2-4, 5-9, 10-14.
- 3) Fill full of new Gifts: a “wow” item, personal care items, school supplies, personal note/picture. (As an optional resource, Operation Christmas Child now also has an Amazon storefront with additional lists of quality items that are recommended for shoeboxes.)
- 4) Donate \$10/Shoebox
- 5) Drop off your filled shoebox at Our Savior’s Church by **November 9th**.

Do Not Include: Soap (no longer allowed!), Candy, Toothpaste, Gum, scary or war-related items, Seeds, Food, chocolate, fruit snacks, drink mixes, Liquids or Lotions, Medications or Vitamins, Breakable or Glass items, Aerosol cans

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, September 7

Communion Sunday
8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school resumes!
10:30am Contemporary Worship
11:30am Neighborhood Block Party
7:00pm AA Meeting

(Fall Theological Conference at Fair Hills Sept. 7-10)

Sunday, September 14

Communion Sunday
8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Worship
7:00pm AA Meeting

Tuesday, September 9

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, September 10

7:00am Men’s Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café
5:30pm Meal
6:00pm Confirmation
7:30pm Youth Group (9-12 gr)

Thursday, September 11

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

Saturday, September 13

8:15am EaND SWO Convention at
Devils Lake



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