

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, July 5, 2026
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 AM



PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "This Is My Song"

ELW 887

1) This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine. This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine; but other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams, as true and high as mine.

2) My country's skies, are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine. But other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine. So hear my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

3) This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms, your kingdom come; on earth your will be done. O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you, and hearts united learn to live as one. So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations; myself I give you; let your will be done.

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: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

ELW 697

***Refrain:** Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea; daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

1) I am weak but thou art strong: Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. (Refrain)

2) Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. (Refrain)

3) When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more; guide me gently, safely o'er to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore. (Refrain)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of all people,

C: You have given us gifts of power, actions, and speech. Help us to hear your word, listen to your will, and live out your mission in the world through these gifts. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG for the WORD: “Sanctuary”

*Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

WORD of the DAY: Esther 4:1-17

When Mordecai learned all that had been done, Mordecai tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and ashes and went through the city, wailing with a loud and bitter cry; ² he went up to the entrance of the king's gate, for no one might enter the king's gate clothed with sackcloth. ³ In every province, wherever the king's command and his decree came, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting and weeping and lamenting, and most of them lay in sackcloth and ashes.

⁴ When Esther's maids and her eunuchs came and told her, the queen was deeply distressed; she sent garments to clothe Mordecai, so that he might take off his sackcloth, but he would not accept them. ⁵ Then Esther called for Hathach, one of the king's eunuchs who had been appointed to attend her, and ordered him to go to Mordecai to learn what was happening and why. ⁶ Hathach went out to Mordecai in the open square of the city in front of the king's gate, ⁷ and Mordecai told him all that had happened to him and the exact sum of money that Haman had promised to pay into the king's treasuries for the destruction of the Jews. ⁸ Mordecai also gave him a copy of the written decree issued in Susa for their destruction, that he might show it to Esther, explain it to her, and charge her to go to the king to make supplication to him and to entreat him for her people.

⁹ Hathach went and told Esther what Mordecai had said. ¹⁰ Then Esther spoke to Hathach and gave him a message for Mordecai: ¹¹ "All the king's servants and the people of the king's provinces know that, if any man or woman goes to the king inside the inner court without being called, there is but one law: to be put to death. Only if the king holds out the golden scepter to someone may that person live. I myself have not been called to come in to the king for thirty days." ¹² When they told Mordecai what Esther had said, ¹³ Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not think that in the king's palace you will escape any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴ For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. Who knows? Perhaps you have come to royal dignity for just such a time as this." ¹⁵ Then Esther said in reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶ "Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will also fast as you do. After that I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish." ¹⁷ Mordecai then went away and did everything as Esther had ordered him.

Matthew 5:13-16 "Salt and Light"

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: "My Soul Will Rest"

1) When there's bread for all people then my soul will rest; oh, my soul, oh, my soul. When there's bread for all people then my soul will rest; oh, my soul will rest. Oh, oh, oh, oh. Oh, oh, oh. When there's bread for all people then my soul will rest; oh, my soul will rest.

2) When we all have safe shelter then my soul will rest; oh, my soul, oh, my soul. When we all have safe shelter then my soul will rest; oh, my soul will rest. Oh, oh, oh, oh. Oh, oh, oh. When we all have safe shelter then my soul will rest; oh, my soul will rest.

3) When there's peace on this planet then my soul will rest; oh, my soul, oh, my soul. When there's peace on this planet then my soul will rest; oh, my soul will rest. Oh, oh, oh, oh. Oh, oh, oh. When there's peace on this planet then my soul will rest; oh, my soul will rest. oh, my soul. When I'm laid in the soil then my soul will rest.

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: "Take Me Jesus As I Am"

Take me Jesus as I am, for I can come no other way, Draw me closer unto you, teach me how to walk your ways, Make me like a precious stone, crystal clear and finely honed The light of Jesus shining through, giving glory back to you

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

(Repeat Prayer Song)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "The Wonderful Cross" V. 1

*When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross, Bids me come and die and find that I may
truly live. O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross, All who gather here by grace
draw near and bless Your name*

OFFERING PRAYER

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.**

SENDING SONG: "Mighty to Save"

*Everyone needs compassion, Love that's never failing, Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness, The kindness of a Savior, The hope of nations*

Chorus: *Savior, he can move the mountains, My God is mighty to save, He is
mighty to save, Forever, author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave*

*So take me as You find me, All my fears and failures, Fill my life again
I give my life to follow, Everything I believe in, Now I surrender (Chorus 2X)*

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: Jimmie Olson, Don Foss, Brea Hovey, Alyssa Short

God's Healing Presence for...

Kevin Weller

Sharon Doeden

Aleisha Lokken

Glenn Brustad

Bill Cotton

Jeanie Swenson

Bonnie Spicer

Becky Foss

Mya Oelrich

Dan Bjorklund

Clarice Satrom

Vicki Dahlstrom

Jerry Boeddeker

Bryan Mueller

Deb Kritzberger

Carol Christianson

Susie Anderson

Charlie Anderson

Danielle (Alex Bare's sister)

Bev Mooney

Steven Madsen

Karen Morlock (Eunice Morlock's niece)

Alexis Holte (Chris & Amy Redland's niece)

Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)

Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)

Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)

Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)

Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)

Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)

Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)

Marta Datsik (Exchange Student-Ukraine)

Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)

Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-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

MUSIC: Pastor Joe & Pastor Amanda

HEAD USHER: Wayne Koering

ATTENDANCE: June 28, 2026 – 51

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: June 28, 2026: \$1,227.00; June to date: \$7,245.00.

Income through May 31, 2026: \$180,332.66; Expenses through May 31, 2026:

\$174,693.57 Income less Expense: \$5,639.09

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

FREE PIZZA MONDAYS! Each Monday FREE slices of pizza are available to all from 11:30am to 12:30pm in front of Our Savior's Church. Kids can also pick up a weekly Backpack Program bag at this location each Monday.

OSLC LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

Located on the west side of Our Savior's Church. Take a book. Share a book.

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HILLSBORO KIWANIS FOOD PANTRY, at the Hillsboro Armory, is open the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 4-6pm. You can place item donations in the wood crate located inside and to the west of the front door at OSLC. Contact Dan C. at 701-430-1595 with any questions.

Item donations needed include: Chicken Noodle Soup, Tomato Soup, Tuna, Pineapple Chunks, Canned Peaches, Corn, Hamburger Helper, Mac-n-Cheese, Cereal, Ramen Noodles, Peanut Butter, Flour, Sugar, Ketchup, Coffee, Jelly, Spaghetti, Ramen Noodles, Orange Juice, Laundry Soap, Hand Soap, Paper Products, Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Dish Soap

The *Health Ministry Committee* is here to support the health and well-being of our church family. If you or a loved one need guidance, resources, prayer, or a listening ear, please know you're not alone. We are happy to help in any way we can. Please contact the church office for any requests or needs.

~Brenda Stallman, Krista Longthorne, Chrissy Torgerson, Maggie Wilson,
Joy McSparron and Katie Reese

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, July 5

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

Monday, July 6

11:30am-12:30pm Free Pizza
11:30am Backpack Program bags
available

Tuesday, July 7

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, July 8

7:00am Men's Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Thursday, July 9

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

Friday, July 10

Fossum/Zink Wedding

Sunday, July 12

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



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