

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Joe Johnson

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Radio Broadcast at 8:30am on KMSR 1520 AM and KMAV 105.5 FM
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Sunday, September 13, 2026
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 AM

PRELUDE

Our Savior's Light

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L (Leader); C (Congregation)

L: What's the good news?

C: **God loves you more than you could imagine.**

L: What's the good news?

C: **God loves all of creation more than you could imagine.**

L: What's the good news?

C: **God's love meets us in this service of worship. We are not alone.**

L: This is good news indeed!

C: **Let us worship our compassionate God.**

OPENING SONG: "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship. Come, just as you are before your God, come.

(Repeat)

One day ev'ry tongue will confess- You are God. One day ev'ry knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now.

(Repeat)

Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship. Come, just as you are before your God, come.

Come. Come.

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: Gracious God,

C: you invite all of us to your care:

the faithful and the doubting, the restless and the hopeless, the addicted and the lonely, the lost and the confused. You invite all of us, regardless of who we are or where we've been, but we fail to do the same. When given the opportunity, we are guilty of casting judgment on our neighbors. We draw lines, assume the worst, create cliques, and accept exclusion. Forgive our harmful ways. Show us how to love others the way you love us. With hope we pray, amen.

L: Beloved, no matter how many times we mess up, no matter how many times we lose our way, no matter how many times we decline God's invitation, God will never stop inviting us to the table. There is and always will be a seat saved for you.

So join me in these good news words:

C: We are forgiven, again and again. We are invited, again and again. We are loved, from beginning to end. Thanks be to God, our Inviter. Amen.

(Adapted from a prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org.)

SONG OF PRAISE: "Forever"

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King, His love endures forever. For He is good He is above all things, His love endures forever. Sing Praise, Sing Praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm, His love endures forever. For the life that's been reborn, His love endures forever. Sing Praise, Sing Praise.

Forever God is faithful, Forever God is strong. Forever God is with us, Forever

From the rising to the setting sun, His love endures forever. And by the grace of God we will carry on, His love endures forever. Sing Praise, Sing Praise

Forever God is faithful, Forever God is strong. Forever God is with us, Forever

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Generous God,

C: You have blessed us with many good things. Help us hear the good news given in the life, death, and resurrection of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE GATHERING SONG: "This is the Day" TOSB 234
*This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made.
I will rejoice, I will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it,
This is the day that the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.*

SONG for the WORD: "Help Us O Lord"
*Help us O Lord to hear your word. Open our hearts to feel your word.
Give us the strength to live your word each day.*

WORD of the DAY: 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Now I want you to understand, brothers and sisters, the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures ⁴and that he was buried and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: "The Weaver's Hands"

Refrain: *All around me are the wonders of the weavers hands. In God's tapestry each one a woven strand. All around me are the wonders of the weavers hands.*

1) You are there when I open my eyes to welcome the new day; unrav'ling the tangled threads and giving strength where they fray. (Refrain)

2) You are there when I close my eyes to dream through the night; ev'ry color, ev'ry shape and size in one pattern unite. (Refrain)

3) Oh God my heart is full, it's spilling over; all the words that I possess cannot express who you are. (Refrain)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ.
It sounds like welcome and feels like home.
It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy.
It sounds like love and feels like a seat at the table,
so I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ.
I have seen it alive in the world.

And even when my heart aches,
even when wars rage, even when mercy feels out of reach,
I remember the one who welcomed the children and led with nonviolence.
I remember the one who cared for the vulnerable and inspired those around him.
I remember that the good news really is good news,
for I have seen it alive in the world.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

PRAYER SONG: “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil”

ELW 512

*Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it
with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

(Repeat Prayer Song)

PASSING OF THE PEACE**OFFERING**

“God of The Harvest” by Our Savior’s Light”

OFFERTORY: “God of The Harvest” Chorus

*You are God of the seed, God of the soil, God of the hope, God of the toil,
You are God of the rain, God of the sun, God of the harvest with blessings for
ev’ryone.*

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 SONG: "10,000 Reasons" (words on screen)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING SONG: "Gonna Be Alright"

1) Lilies of the field, they don't toil, and they don't spin. Sparrows in the wind, they don't sing of where they've been. If the hairs on my head are counted and the tears that I cry are too, then why would I be anxious when it's all just the same to You?

Chorus: *I lift my eyes. I know ev'rything's gonna be alright, my Lord, so why should I worry? Not a thing that I lack. You're with me; that's a fact. I'm alive; it's a ride. Where I go, Lord, I know it's gonna be alright. Ev'rything's gonna be alright.*

2) Best days or my worst, if I'm last or if I'm first, sunshine or the rain, the sky might fall, but You remain. If the whole world's in Your hands, Lord, and mercy's always new, then why would I be anxious when it's all just the same to You?
(Chorus)

I lift my eyes. I know, casting all my cares aside, my Lord, so why should I worry? Not a thing that I lack. You're with me; that's a fact. I'm alive; it's a ride. Where I go, Lord, I know it's gonna be alright. Ev'rything's gonna be alright. Ev'rything's gonna be alright.

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: Nancy Brustad, Teresa Forseth, Tayah Halstengard,
Darrel Miller, Shirley Westphal, Hanna Magnuson, Kenna Culp

God's Healing Presence for...

Christie Rust	Basil and Senora Almquist
Sharon Doeden	Danielle Harless (Alex Bare's sister)
Aleisha Lokken	Kevin Weller
Glenn Brustad	Steven Madsen
Bev Mooney	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Bill Cotton	Karen Morlock (Eunice Morlock's niece)
Jeanie Swenson	Alexis Holte (Chris & Amy Redland's niece)
Bonnie Spicer	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Carol Christianson	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Becky Foss	Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)
Mya Oelrich	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Dan Bjorklund	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Jerry Boeddeker	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Charlie Anderson	Bryan Mueller
Susie Anderson	Marta Datsik (Exchange Student-Ukraine)
Deb Kritzberger	

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: *The family of Lee Eisenbeis*

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HEAD USHERS:

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Bridger Longthorne, Colbie Hatlestad
(10:30) Audrey Theis, Brynn Spokely

ATTENDANCE: September 6, 2026 – 47

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: September 6, 2026: \$4,921.00; Sept. to date: \$4,921.00.

Income through July 31, 2026: \$223,541.15; Expenses through July 31, 2026:

\$231,738.43 Income less Expense: -\$8,197.28

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

2026 Fall EaND Synodical Women of the ELCA (SWO) Convention

September 26, 2026 at 9:00am (Registration at 8:30am) at Zion Lutheran Church, #1 2nd Ave SE, Kulm, ND. Meal cost is \$15 (payable at door).

Registration is due by Sept. 13th. Call the church office if interested in going.

7th graders will receive a Bible at the 10:30am worship service on **September 20, 2026**. Parents/Guardians are asked to present the Bible to their student at the designated time during the service.

NOTE: We will be collecting filled shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse: Operation Christmas Child again this year. Now is a great time to look for school supplies items! **National Collection Week is Nov. 16-23, 2026**, so we will need filled shoeboxes returned to Our Savior's Church by Nov. 11th.

An **Open House Bridal Shower** for Saige Forseth, bride-to-be of Gaven Nelson, will be held on **Sunday, September 20, 2026 from 1:00-3:30 p.m.** at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 204 E. Caledonia Ave, Hillsboro. The couple is registered at Amazon. *Please bring a favorite recipe to share with the bride-to-be (Recipe cards provided).*

OSLC LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

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

The Little Library offers a way to **share** good things to read! All of us can help by keeping the library boxes stocked with good (and in good shape) reading material. Anyone can use it! If you see something you would like to read, take it. You don't have to give a book at the same time as you take one. After you've read it, share it: by placing it in *any* Little Free Library book sharing box, by bringing it back to Our Savior's, or by passing it on to a friend.

Little Free Library is a nonprofit organization that inspires a love of reading, builds community, and sparks creativity through neighborhood book-sharing boxes. These books are always for lending – never for sale. Charter #103570

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, September 13- Rally Day!

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

Tuesday, September 15

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, September 16

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

Thursday, September 17

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

Sunday, September 20

8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Worship
-7th gr. Bibles presented
1-3:30pm Open House Bridal Shower
(Saige Forseth)
7:00pm AA Meeting



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