

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, September 27, 2026
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 AM

PRELUDE

THE FIRE

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: "Lord, I Need You"

Lord, I come, I confess, bowing here, I find my rest.

And without You, I fall apart, You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus: *Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, ev'ry hour I need You.*

My one defense, my righteousness; Oh, God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is found is where You are. And where You are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.

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BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.)

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: "Glorious Day"

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises, One day when sin was as black as could be, Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin, Dwelt among men. My example is He. The Word became flesh and the light shined among us, His glory revealed.

Chorus: *Living, He loved me. Dying, He saved me. Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising, He justified freely forever. One day He's coming; oh, glorious day, oh, glorious day.*

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain. One day they nailed Him to die on a tree. Suffering anguish, despised and rejected, Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He. The hands that healed nations stretched out on a tree and took the nails for me. (Chorus)

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer. One day the stone rolled away from the door. Then He arose; over death He had conquered. Now He's ascended, my Lord evermore. Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him from rising again. (Chorus 2X) Glorious day, oh, glorious day.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of presence,

C: you remained fully with Joseph when he sat long years in a prison for a crime he did not commit. Help us to see that you are always with us, so that we might live faithfully in your world. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BIBLE PRESENTATION for Kindergarten and 3rd grade students

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

WORD of the DAY: Genesis 39:1-23

Now Joseph was taken down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down there. ² The LORD was with Joseph, and he became a successful man; he was in the house of his Egyptian master. ³ His master saw that the LORD was with him and that the LORD caused all that he did to prosper in his hands. ⁴ So Joseph found favor in his sight and attended him; he made him overseer of his house and put him in charge of all that he had. ⁵ From the time that he made him overseer in his house and over all that he had, the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; the blessing of the LORD was on all that he had, in house and field. ⁶ So he left all that he had in Joseph's charge, and with him there he had no concern for anything but the food that he ate.

Now Joseph was handsome and good-looking. ⁷ And after a time his master's wife cast her eyes on Joseph and said, "Lie with me." ⁸ But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, with me here, my master has no concern about anything in the house, and he has put everything that he has in my hand. ⁹ He is not greater in this house than I am, nor has he kept back anything from me except yourself, because you are his wife. How then could I do this great wickedness and sin against God?" ¹⁰ And although she spoke to Joseph day after day, he would not consent to lie beside her or to be with her. ¹¹ One day, however, when he went into the house to do his work, and while no one else was in the house, ¹² she caught hold of his garment, saying, "Lie with me!" But he left his garment in her hand and fled and ran outside. ¹³ When she saw that he had left his garment in her hand and had fled outside, ¹⁴ she called out to the members of her household and said to them, "See, my husband has brought among us a Hebrew to insult us! He came in to me to lie with me, and I cried out with a loud voice, ¹⁵ and when he heard me raise my voice and cry out, he left his garment beside me and fled outside." ¹⁶ Then she kept his garment by her until his master came home, ¹⁷ and she told him the same story, saying, "The Hebrew servant, whom you have brought among us, came in to me to insult me, ¹⁸ but as soon as I raised my voice and cried out, he left his garment beside me and fled outside."

¹⁹ When his master heard the words that his wife spoke to him, saying, "This is the way your servant treated me," he became enraged.

²⁰ And Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison, the place where the king's prisoners were confined; he remained there in prison. ²¹ But the LORD was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love; he gave him favor in the sight of the chief jailer. ²² The chief jailer committed to Joseph's care all the prisoners who were in the prison, and whatever was done there, he was the one who did it. ²³ The chief jailer paid no heed to anything that was in Joseph's care because the LORD was with him, and whatever he did, the LORD made it prosper.

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: "Blessings"

We pray for blessings. We pray for peace, comfort for family, protection while we sleep. We pray for healing, for prosperity. We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering. And all the while You hear each spoken need, yet love us way too much to give us lesser things.

Refrain: *'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops? What if Your healing comes through tears? What if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near? And what if trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise?*

We pray for wisdom, Your voice to hear. And we cry in anger when we cannot feel You near. We doubt your goodness. We doubt Your love as if ev'ry promise from Your Word is not enough. And all the while You hear each desp'rate plea, And long that we'd have faith to believe. (Refrain)

When friends betray us, when darkness seems to win, we know that pain reminds this heart that this is not, this is not our home. It's not our home.

'Cause what if Your blessings come through raindrops? What if Your healing comes through tears? And what if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near? What if my greatest disappointments, or the aching of this life, Is a revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy? And what if trials of this life, the rain, the storms, the hardest nights are Your mercies in disguise?

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

"Who Am I" by THE FIRE

OFFERTORY:

*While I'm on this road, You take my hand, Somehow You really love who I really am
I push You away, still You won't let go, You grow Your roses on my barren soul*

Who am I, Who am I, Who am I? To be loved by you (Repeat 3X)

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: "House of the Lord"

1) We worship the God who was. We worship the God who is. We worship the God who evermore will be. He opened the prison doors. He parted the raging sea. My God, He holds the victory.

Chorus: *There's joy in the house of the Lord. There's joy in the house of the Lord today. And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise. There's joy in the house of the Lord. Our God is surely in this place. And we won't be quiet, we shout out Your praise.*

We shout out Your praise.

2) We sing to the God who heals. We sing to the God who saves. We sing to the God who always makes a way. 'Cause He hung upon that cross, Then He rose up from that grave. My God's still rolling stones away. (Chorus)

We were the beggars, now we're royalty. We were the pris'ners, now we're running free. We are forgiven, accepted, redeemed by His grace. Let the house of the Lord sing praise. (Repeat) (Chorus)

We shout out Your praise.

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL / POSTLUDE

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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

BAPTIZED today after the 10:30am service is Paislee Rae Iverson, daughter of Alexis Iverson. Paislee was born on April 30, 2026 in Fargo, ND. Her Godparents are MacKenzie Iverson, Carter Iverson, and Zachary Iverson.

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's

Those celebrating birthdays today:

God's Healing Presence for...

Deb Kritzberger

Christie Rust

Sharon Doeden

Aleisha Lokken

Glenn Brustad

Bev Mooney

Bill Cotton

Basil and Senora Almquist

Danielle Harless (Alex Bare's sister)

Kevin Weller

Steven Madsen

Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)

Karen Morlock (Eunice Morlock's niece)

Jeanie Swenson
Bonnie Spicer
Carol Christianson
Becky Foss
Mya Oelrich
Dan Bjorklund
Clarice Satrom
Vicki Dahlstrom
Jerry Boeddeker
Charlie Anderson
Susie Anderson

Alexis Holte (Chris & Amy Redland's niece)
Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-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)
Bryan Mueller
Marta Datsik (Exchange Student-Ukraine)

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 Delores Beck, The family of Lois Smith*

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VISITATION MINISTER: Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

HEAD USHERS: (8:30) Ed Laxdal; (10:30) Levi and Katie Reese

LECTOR: (8:30) Rita Fandrich

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Cassius Betner, Wyatt Torgerson; (10:30) Chase Giffey, Dylan Grinde

ATTENDANCE: September 20, 2026: (8:30) 60 and (10:30) 119

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: September 20, 2026: \$4,689.00; Sept. to date: \$12,648.00.

Income through August 31, 2026: \$256,179.13; Expenses through August 31, 2026: \$273,687.87

Income less Expense: -\$17,508.74

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

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.

THE GOSBELLS BELL CHOIR will resume making music together on Mondays at 7:30pm starting on October 5th. Ringers past and present are welcome. If you are interested in learning/ joining, please contact Ruth Olson at 701-430-0451- call or text. We would love to find a place for you!

UPCOMING:

Sunday, October 11 – 10th gr. Confirmands Retreat (12-8pm)

Wednesday, October 14 – 10th gr. Confirmands Faith Statements (6:30pm)

Wednesday, October 21 - **NO** Confirmation classes or meal

Sunday, October 25 – 10th gr. Confirmands confirmed at 10:30am service

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, September 27

8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Worship
-K & 3rd gr. Bibles presented
2:30pm Return from Castaway Retreat
7:00pm AA Meeting

Monday, September 28

Meal Delivery Week
1:00pm Funeral Service- Lois Smith

Tuesday, September 29

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, September 30

7:00am Men's Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café
3:10-5pm Fun & Faith (4-6 gr)
5:30pm Meal
6:00pm Confirmation classes begin
7:30pm Youth Group (9-12 gr)

Thursday, October 1

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

Sunday, October 4

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



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