

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, October 11, 2026
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 AM

PRELUDE

Organist: Vicky Grothmann

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 HYMN: "Gather Us In"

ELW 532

1) Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2) We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face; we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

3) Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth. Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4) Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away, here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and now is the day. Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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.**

KYRIE *ELW p. 147-148 (SING)*

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
C: **Lord, have mercy.**
L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
C: **Lord, have mercy.**
L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
C: **Lord, have mercy.**
L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C: **Amen**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE ELW p. 149-150 (SING)

L: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.
C: **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**
2) Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of the commandments,
C: **you gave the Israelites laws so that they might live in harmony with one another. Show us how to live in peace, so that all may know of your love. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ACCLAMATION ELW p. 151

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

WORD of the DAY: Exodus 20:1-17

Then God spoke all these words,

² "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery;

³ you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴ "You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me ⁶ but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷ "You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

⁸ “Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰ But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹ For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹² “Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

¹³ “You shall not murder. ¹⁴ “You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ “You shall not steal. ¹⁶ “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

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

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: “Wade in the Water”

ELW 459

Refrain: *Wade in the water, wade in the water, children, wade in the water,
God’s a-goin’a trouble the water.*

- 1) *See that host all dressed in white, God’s a-goin’a trouble the water.
the leader looks like the Israelite. God’s a-goin’a trouble the water. (Refrain)*
- 2) *See that band all dressed in red, God’s a-goin’a trouble the water.
looks like the band that Moses led. God’s a-goin’a trouble the water. (Refrain)*
- 3) *Look over yonder, what do I see? God’s a-goin’a trouble the water.
the Holy Ghost a-coming on me. God’s a-goin’a trouble the water. (Refrain)*
- 4) *If you don’t believe I’ve been redeemed, God’s a-goin’a trouble the water.
just follow me down to Jordan’s stream. God’s a-goin’a trouble the water. (Refrain)*

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: "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 / 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: "Let Us Break Bread Together"

ELW 471

"One Bread, One Body"

ELW 496

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING HYMN: "On Our Way Rejoicing"

ELW 537

1) On our way rejoicing gladly let us go. Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe. Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy; who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy? On our way rejoicing; as we forward move, hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

2) Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing; unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring; unto God the Spirit bow we and adore, on our way rejoicing now and evermore. On our way rejoicing; as we forward move, hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

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: Mike Hatlestad, Evelyn Holte, Meadow Lee,
Melissa Tronson

God's Healing Presence for...

Deb Kritzberger

Christie Rust

Sharon Doeden

Aleisha Lokken

Glenn Brustad

Bev Mooney

Bill Cotton

Jeanie Swenson

Bonnie Spicer

Carol Christianson

Becky Foss

Mya Oelrich

Dan Bjorklund

Clarice Satrom

Vicki Dahlstrom

Jerry Boeddeker

Charlie Anderson

Susie Anderson

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)

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:

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

EDUCATION PASTOR: Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

HEAD USHERS: (8:30) Chris McInnes (10:30) Eric & Dera Johnson
ACOLYTES: (8:30) Emmett Johnson, Emma Nagel
(10:30) Aubree Wigdahl, Brogan Wright

ATTENDANCE: October 4, 2026: (8:30) 65 and (10:30) 143

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: October 4, 2026: \$3,980.75; Oct. to date: \$3,980.75.
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. **National Collection Week is Nov. 16-23, 2026**, so we will need filled shoeboxes returned to Our Savior's Church by Nov. 11th.

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**

All are Welcome and Invited to attend both the Faith Statement presentations and the Confirmation service.

THE GOSBELLS BELL CHOIR has resumed making music together on Mondays at 7:30pm (began October 5th). Ringers past and present are always 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!

The **COMMUNITY CHOIR** has also started practices. They will practice on Mondays at 6:30pm and Sundays at 4:00pm. They will be working on the Community Christmas Concert music. All are Welcome!

WELCA is completing Kits for use by Lutheran World Relief. These are funded by Thrivent grants and the donations made by members. Examples of Health Kits, Baby Kits and School kits are being displayed in the area at the top of the steps leading to the sanctuary. Please stop by and see what is included in each type of kit. They will be sent to the collection site in late October. These are used in the US and around the world when disasters occur.

The HILLSBORO SANFORD AUXILIARY is hosting the annual PIE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL on **Sunday, October 18 from 2-3:30pm** in the Assisted Living dining room at the medical center. Enjoy homemade pie, a bake sale and a quilt raffle. All proceeds stay in Hillsboro to improve the quality of life for residents, tenants and patients.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, October 11

Communion Sunday
8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Worship
12:00pm 10th gr Conf. Retreat
4:00pm Choir practice
7:00pm AA Meeting

Monday, October 12

6:30pm Choir practice
7:30pm GosBELLS practice

Tuesday, October 13

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, October 14

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

Thursday, October 15

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

Sunday, October 18

8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday school
10:30am Contemporary Worship
4:00pm Choir practice
7:00pm AA Meeting

