

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
JULY 19, 2026
OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:00 A.M.
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Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God,
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.
Amen.

Gathering Song Hymn ACS #1072: Abba Abba Hear Us

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie: ACS #12

Hymn of Praise ACS #12

Prayer of the Day

Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

Psalm: Psalm 86:11-17

¹¹ Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

¹² **I will thank you, O Lord** my God, with all my heart, **and glorify your name forevermore.**

¹³ For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the pit of death.

¹⁴ **The arrogant rise up** against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my life; **they have** not set you before their eyes.

¹⁵ But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

¹⁶ **Turn to me and have** mercy on me; **give your strength to your servant, and save the** child of your handmaid.

¹⁷ **Show me a sign of your** favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame; **because** you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation ACS #14

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
The Gospel of Our Lord.

Glory to you, O Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Pastor Mark Taylor

Hymn of the Day: In the Garden “Redux”- First published in 1912, the song was heavily popularized during the campaigns of an evangelist named Billy Sunday. Some traditionalists found the lyrics "too intimate" for congregational singing, and the song was omitted from many hymnals. I have a knack for rearranging songs, so I changed the lyrics of In the Garden from a “me” song to a “we” song.

1.) We come to the garden with friends, While the dew is still on the roses; And the voice we hear, falling on our ears, The Son of God discloses.

Refrain: And He walks with us, and He talks with us, And He tells us we are His own, And the joy we share, as we tarry there, with others we know.

2.) He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so sweet, the birds hush their singing; And the melody that He gave to us, Within our hearts is ringing.

Refrain: And He walks with us, and He talks with us, And He tells us we are His own, And the joy we share, as we tarry there, with others we know.

3.) We'd stay in the garden with Him, Tho' the night around us be falling; But He bids us go; thro' the voice of woe, His voice to us is calling.

Refrain: And He walks with us, and He talks with us, And He tells us we are His own, And the joy we share, as we tarry there, with others we know.

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 to the dead.* 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.

Prayers of the People

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please greet one another with Christ's peace

Offertory Hymn #686: We Give Thee but Thine Own

Offertory Prayer:

Loving God,

we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.

Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,

so that all creation can taste your abundance.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,

through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

Amen.

Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy: ACS #20

**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.**

**Communion: ACS #25: Lamb of God
Communion Hymn #465: As the Grains of Wheat**

Post Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep and unite us in God's grace.

Prayer after communion

**Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.**

Benediction

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

Sending Hymn #694: Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Tuesday	7/21	11:00 a.m.	Silver Crowns
Sunday	7/26	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship

Summer lunch program **Tuesday, July 21st**, with service beginning @ **11:30 am** until **12:15 pm**. Those wanting to help serve should arrive @**10:00 am**. **August 24th** is the last lunch service.

In the Narthex is a pink bucket for collection of used socks. We want them all, singles, mismatched, holes or unwanted. They will be donated to an organization that shreds them up and uses them to make pet supplies (beds, toys, etc.).

We are happy to welcome back **Pastor Kim Wilkers** next **Sunday the 26th**, as he will be rejoining our rotation of Sunday officiants.