

# Sunday, July 7, 2024 7th Sunday after Pentecost

# Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA 612 Division St. | La Crosse, WI | 608.782.3468 WWW.OURSAVIORSLUTHERANCHURCH.NET "Our mission is to make the love of Christ known to all as we worship, serve and grow together."

All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace Is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health, race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, income or strength of faith. There is nothing we do, have done or will do that can separate us from the love of God. God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise, prayer and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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**Welcome, visitors! We're glad you are here!** We hope your time with us is a blessing, and that you will come back soon.

We would like to be in touch with you! Visitors—please use the Live Stream 'Attendance Info Form (www.allarewelcome.org under the Live Stream tab) today. Members—you only need to fill them out once a year when you receive Holy 'Communion. In addition, use the form for prayer requests, hymn requests, to get the monthly newsletter, to give us address changes, or for any communication with the office or pastor.

If you need **hearing assistance**, ask in the church office for our special devices.

If you need **assistance with the live stream**, please call 608.782.3468 or join us on the phone live stream at 1.877.552.3468 (toll-free).

#### **+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+**

Presiding Minister: Pastor Joanne Richmond
AV Team: Bruce Losby and Jim Radatz
Coffee Fellowship: Ice Cream!
Communion Assistant: Sue Staples
Guitarist: Colin Stiemke

Prayer Reader: Sue Staples

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### **PRELUDE**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

#### Amen.

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 Savior.

#### Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin.

We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

In your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown, things we have done

and things we have failed to do.

Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you

in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

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

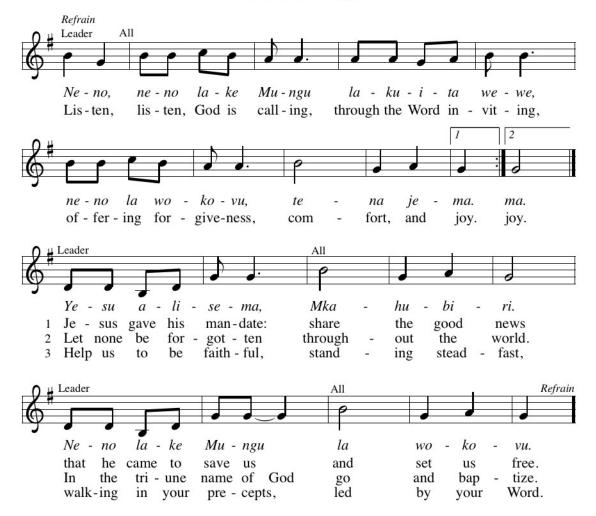
through the Holy Spirit,

that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG ELW #513

# Listen, God Is Calling Neno lake Mungu



Text: Tanzanian traditional; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NENO LAKE MUNGU, Tanzanian tune

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#### **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**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen, amen.

**HYMN OF PRAISE ELW #519** 

# Open Your Ears, O Faithful People



O - pen your ears, O faith-ful peo-ple, o - pen your ears and hear God's word. They who have ears to hear the mes-sage, they who have ears, now let them hear;



O - pen your hearts, O roy - al priest-hood, God has come to they who would learn the way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.









Text: Hasidic traditional; Willard F. Jabusch, b. 1930, English version
Music: YISRAEL V'ORAITA, Hasidic tune
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your reign. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

**GOSPEL:** Mark 6: 1—13

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> [Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.<sup>2</sup> On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup> Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." <sup>5</sup> And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup> And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup> He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup> If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup> So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup> They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON** 

Pastor Joanne Richmond

HYMN ELW #677

# This Little Light of Mine



Text: African American spiritual

Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual

#### **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 INTERCESSION

(Response to each petition is Your Will Be Done, ELW#741, refrain only)

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

Glorious God, Let your servant church arise in our teaching, our praying, our healing, and our doing. Make all your faithful people powerful in weakness and strong in grace.

Life-giving God, your fingers trace the heavens and your hands mold the earth. Where there is drought, bring nourishing rain. Where there is devastation from fire or flood, bring relief. Sustain the well-being of every living thing.

In your mercy, hear us as we sing:

**Your will be done on earth, O Lord.** (sung 5x)

Merciful God, you speak and the nations listen. Open those who govern to the cries of all who journey with no food or shelter, particularly people fleeing violence, those seeking freedom, and those in search of community.

Gracious God, your embrace brings wholeness to those who are troubled. Strengthen all who suffer in any way and grant them renewal. In your mercy, hear us as we sing:

Your will be done on earth, O Lord. (sung 5x)

Welcoming God, in your presence strangers become companions and enemies become neighbors. Open doors to those who have been shut out, particularly where there are differences or when people are marginalized.

Eternal God, you gather us into your house of many dwelling places.

We give you thanks for the faithful departed. Inspire us by their lives of faith until, with them, we rest forever at our journey's end.

In your mercy, hear us as we sing:

Your will be done on earth, O Lord. (sung 5x)

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

#### **NOISY OFFERING**

#### **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

#### COMMUNION

You may come forward for communion using the center aisle. After receiving bread from Pastor, please take an empty glass from the small table. If you prefer grape juice, take a full glass. Proceed to the person with the pouring chalice. After receiving your wine/blessing, place your empty glass in the basket you will see as you walk toward the side aisle.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more.

Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

#### Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

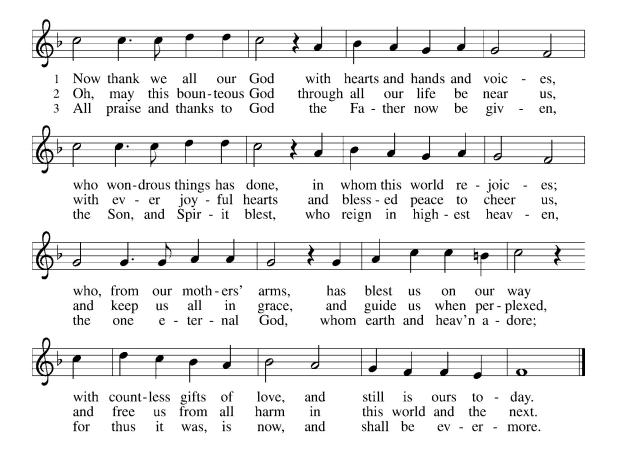
#### Amen.

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever.

#### Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW #839

# Now Thank We All Our God



#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

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#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

The WELCA **Rummage Sale** will be **Thursday, August 22, 8am—4pm** and **Friday, August 23, 8am—4pm**. Set-up is the Monday through Wednesday before. Clear your calendars and plan on joining us.

#### MOO-MOO'S PRAYER CLUB TODAY!

# Sunday, July 7, 2024, 10:15am—Sanctuary

It's Moo-Moo's Prayer Club after worship today where we will be introduced to Eddie and Michael, two adorable brothers from Utah. *Will Moo-Moo welcome them to Prayer Club?* **Will their mashed potato prayers come true?** All ages and stages are welcome to come learn the many ways we can praise and serve God!

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 2024 BACK2SCHOOL PROGRAM**

Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to help with their Back2School Program by sorting and distributing supplies in August at the La Crosse Center.

## Dates and times help is needed:

Monday, August 5, 1—3pm

Tuesday, August 6, 12:45—3:30pm

Tuesday, August 6, 3:15—6pmpm

Wednesday, August 7, 7:45—9:45am

Wed., August 7, 9:30am—12 noon

Wed., August 7, 11:30am—12:30pm

Please contact Courtney Kress at <u>608.519.8027</u> or <u>ckress@cclse.org</u> if you are interested in helping out. Thank you!

**BABY CARE KITS**—The Social Ministry Team invites congregation members to begin collecting items to assemble Lutheran World Relief (LWR) Baby Care Kits. These Kits are distributed as part of emergency relief efforts but they are also given to encourage expectant women to seek prenatal care. You can pick up a list of needed items, a handknit baby sweater, towel, and cloth diapers (to get you started) at the display in the Narthex. After shopping, deliver your items back to the display before Sun., Sept. 15. Help welcome the littlest ones into a caring international community and swaddle them with love!

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY, SESSION 3—Saturday, July 20, 10am—Chapel All are welcome to participate in all the sessions or just a few. Questions please contact Pastor Joanne at <a href="mailto:pastor@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net">pastor@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net</a>. or 608.782.3468.

# GAME DAY—Sunday, July 28, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Join us for a family game day (all ages and stages welcome) that is fun for everyone! Bring your favorite board game and/or a snack to share, or just bring yourself!

#### **EXCITING NEWS!**

Our church leadership has determined it's time for our new pictorial church directory. Photography dates will be sometime this fall. Stay tuned for more information. Speak with Dala Hynek today to volunteer for this project.

#### **NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING**

#### Sunday, July 14—Monday, July 22

Please continue to keep Isaac and Ashe along with their adult leaders, Andy and Jessica in your prayers as they prepare for the National Youth Gathering, during their travels to and from New Orleans, and for their faithfilled week with thousands of other young adults! And join us as we pray for and send off the group in worship on **Sunday, July 14, 9:30 am**. Thank you again for your prayers and support! This is an incredible opportunity for our young adults to continue to grow their faith!

#### **WELCA RUMMAGE SALE**

Start gathering your very best (good, clean, usable, working condition, gently used) clothing, linens, jewelry, tools, books, and household items. The items you would buy or use yourself, or gift to a good friend.

**DONATION DROP OFF DAYS:** Friday, August 16, 11am to 2pm; Saturday, August 17, 9am to noon; Monday, August 19, 9am—1pm; Tuesday, August 20, 9am—1pm; and Wednesday, August 21, 9am—noon

Please remember that we cannot accept electronics such as TV's, computers, printers, and large appliances. Also we won't be able to accept car seats or baby items such as cribs and pack-and-plays that may have safety issues.

**Any questions?** Please contact Doris Modahl (608.784.5238) or Carol Miller (608.792.2334).

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# **OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK**

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

#### CALENDAR

<u>Sunday, July 7, 2024</u>

9:30am Worship/HC

10:15am CF

**10:15am** Moo-Moo's Prayer Club

6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mta.

Monday

9am—1pm Office Open **10am—12 pm** Gas Vouchers

<u>Tuesday</u>

9am—1pm Office Open 9am Quilters 1—5pm WCC Open

4pm CFS—Doors Open 4:15—5:15pm Dine In/Carry Out **5:15—5:30pm** Carry Outs Only

Wednesday

9am—1pm Office Open 9am Staff mtg. 10:30am Finance mtg. 12 noon Worship/HC

Thursday,

9am—1pm Office Open

Friday

**Church Office Closed** Pastor/Staff Sabbath

Saturday

9am—1pm WCC Open

<u>Sunday, July 14, 2024</u>

9:30am Worship/HC

10:15am CF

6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

**Calendar Notations:** 

**HC—Holy Communion** CF—Coffee Fellowship CFS—Come For Supper

WCC-Women's Clothes Closet

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

#### **HEALING AND PEACE**

Athena Burg, Pastor Barbara Bruneau, Bev Hanson, Carol Kant, Casey Kanter, Cheryl Zoerb, Cindy Moe, Dale Duresky, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, Dave Kjos, Erik Rudrud, Esther Harman, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, Jackie Holmes, Jane Speer, Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jessi E. and Family, Jessie, Joyce Gosman, Karen Geoglein, Katie White, Kilian Crary, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Mary Covey, Morris Buros, Myra Smaby, Peggy Kneifl, Pete Harman, Rich Pitz, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sally Vaaler, Sandy Kjos, Sonja Simonson-Schrag, Theo Abnet, and **Tom** Cade

#### **GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF**

#### **MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES**

Gabriel W. Kleven, Greg Phillips, Ricky Macon, and **Stacie** Phillips

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

<b>Amy</b> Thornton	July 7
<b>Jane</b> Speer	July 8
<b>Sylvia</b> Attleson	July 10
<b>Jessie</b> Brobeck	July 12
Rayna May	July 12
<b>Ruth</b> Carlson	July 13
<b>Stanley</b> Hayek	July 13
Renee Heser	July 13
<b>Lucy</b> Radatz	July 13
<b>Bill</b> Temte	July 13