

**Sunday, July 14, 2024**

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**8th Sunday after Pentecost**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA  
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***"Our mission is to make the love of Christ known  
to all as we worship, serve and grow together."***

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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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Thomas Haag, Organist | Dr. Eddie Kim, Pianist | Colin Stiemke, Guitarist

Juan Fernandez, Custodian

**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](http://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:** Gary & Deb Wold

**Coffee Fellowship:** National Youth Gathering Participants

**Communion Assistant:** Andy Stutesman

**Organist:** Thomas Haag

**Prayer Reader:** Isaac Stutesman

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## PRELUDE

*An Wasserflussen Babylon*  
(*By the Rivers of Babylon*)

Johann Pachelbel

## OPENING LITANY

Sovereign God, open my lips,

**And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Come and help me

**Support and save me.**

Sing to God a new song,

**Sing to God, all the earth.**

Sing to God, bless God's name!

**Tell God's glory to the nations, God's wonders to all people.**

God is great and worthy of praise.

**To be feared above all gods.**

God made the heavens, glory and majesty attend God.

**Strength and beauty are God's sanctuary.**

Render to God children of all nations.

**Render to God all glory and power.**

## Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator



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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.**

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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

God of our ancestors,  
we thank you for what you have done  
and will do in the lives of our children.  
Walk with them.  
Protect them.  
Order their steps and guide their feet  
while they run the race of faith.  
May the good work you have begun in them  
be ever nourished to grow and thrive.

**Amen.**

**READING:** Ephesians 1: 3—14

A reading from Ephesians.

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup> just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup> He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup> he has made known to us the mystery of his will,

according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ,<sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.<sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will,<sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.<sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit;<sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Joanne Richmond



## Baptized and Set Free



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.  
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.  
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,  
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.  
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.  
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.  
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door  
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:  
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:  
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.  
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.  
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.  
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

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## **CHILD OF GOD**

by Steve Garnaas- Holmes (worshipwords.co.ok)

I am a child of God,  
God's beloved, in whom God is pleased.  
I dwell in the arms of God.

You are a child of God,  
God's beloved, in whom God is pleased.  
You dwell in the arms of God.

We all are children of God,  
God's beloved, in whom God is pleased.  
We all dwell in the arms of God.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(Response to each petition is Neither Death Nor Life, ELW#622, refrain only)*

Satisfy us with your love in the morning

**And we will live this day in joy and praise.**

Let us pray for the Holy Church throughout the world. May God keep the Church unshaken, founded upon the rock of God's Word.

Let us pray for all of creation. May God's creative power be used to heal, to nurture, and to grow all living things.

Holy God, hear us as we sing:

**Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor trials in the present, nor any trial to come,  
neither height, nor depth, nor all of creation  
can ever separate us from the love of God  
poured out in Christ Jesus, our Lord.**

Let us pray for peace in the world. May God grant we live together in justice and faith.

Let us pray for children and young people. May God strengthen their lives and faith. May those gathering in New Orleans this week be filled with God's Spirit of love and joy.

Holy God, hear us as we sing:

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Let us pray for the sick. May God deliver them from pain and restore the strength they need.

Let us pray for those who suffer. Whether in prison or exile, receiving harsh treatment or oppression, may God support them and keep them true to their faith.

Holy God, hear us as we sing:

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Blessed Jesus, in the brightness of your face we behold the glory of God. By your grace direct our steps in your way, in communion with your whole people.

**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**

**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**

Let us bless God.

**We give our thanks and praise.**

May the God of peace enable us to do God's will in every kind of goodness, working in us what is most pleasing to God, through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, to whom be the glory forever more.

**Amen.**

### **SENDING TO THE YOUTH GATHERING**

"As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew. 'Follow me' Jesus told him. And Matthew got up and followed him." (Matthew 9:9)

Isaac, Ashe, Andy, and Jessica,  
Let your eyes be God's eyes,  
sharing compassion, warmth and love.

Let your hands be God's hands,  
bringing healing with their touch.

Let your ears be God's ears,  
listening where there is need.

Let your words be God's words,  
bringing comfort joy and peace.

**Amen.**



## Waterlife

Leader or All



1 Be - fore I can re - mem - ber the cov - e - nant was sealed  
 2 A sim - ple sweet be - gin - ning, a lov - ing place to start:  
 3 My hope and ex - pec - ta - tion for true com - mun - i - ty



with Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, in wa - ter was re - vealed.  
 Christ be - gan the sing - ing that swells with - in my heart.  
 be - gins with res - ur - rec - tion, his death and life in me.



The cleans - ing was for cer - tain, with wa - ter and the Word;  
 His love be - came my call - ing, his life my min - is - try.  
 His Spir - it fills the Bod - y: his church through wa - ter sees



gen - tle words were spo - ken, in heav - en they were heard.  
 His name is my a - dop - tion in - to his fam - i - ly.  
 prom - ise for to - mor - row, his wa - ter - life in me.

*Refrain*  
 All



They were sing - ing wa - ter - life, be - gin - ning life, wa - ter - life



all my life, wa - ter - life, Spir - it life, wa - ter - life.

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## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

*By the Rivers of Babylon (Opus 28)*

Marcel Dupre

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## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF**

### **Rush your support!**

We received a heartbreaking message Wednesday morning from the Rev. Tim Krick, Lutheran World Relief's Senior Advisor of Congregational Engagement:

*"I'm coming to you with a report directly from our team in Ukraine, where missile strikes hit cities across the country yesterday - including a children's hospital in Kyiv.*

*Our Lutheran World Relief team was blocks away at the time the missile hit. They rushed to the hospital - alongside first responders - providing care and support.*

*As you can imagine, the situation was terrifying and desperate, especially for the young patients and their families.*

*Our team was able to provide aid immediately to patients, their families and others affected by the attack. They distributed LWR Quilts and Personal Care Kits that we have on-hand in Ukraine because faithful congregations like yours have packed and sent them. Thank you."*

### **How can you help get lifesaving support to our neighbors in need?**

1. Give a gift online at [lwr.org/helpforukraine](http://lwr.org/helpforukraine)
2. Leave a check in the offering plate to Our Savior's Lutheran Church.  
Please write "Ukraine Hospital" in the memo line.

### **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 [pastor@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net](mailto:pastor@oursaviorslutheranchurch.net). or [608.782.3468](tel:608.782.3468).

### **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 during their travels to and from New Orleans, and for their faith-filled week with thousands of other young adults! Follow along on their journey this week on our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/oursaviorslacrosse](http://www.facebook.com/oursaviorslacrosse).

### **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.

## **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 [608.519.8027](tel:608.519.8027) or [ckress@cclse.org](mailto:ckress@cclse.org) 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!

## **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.

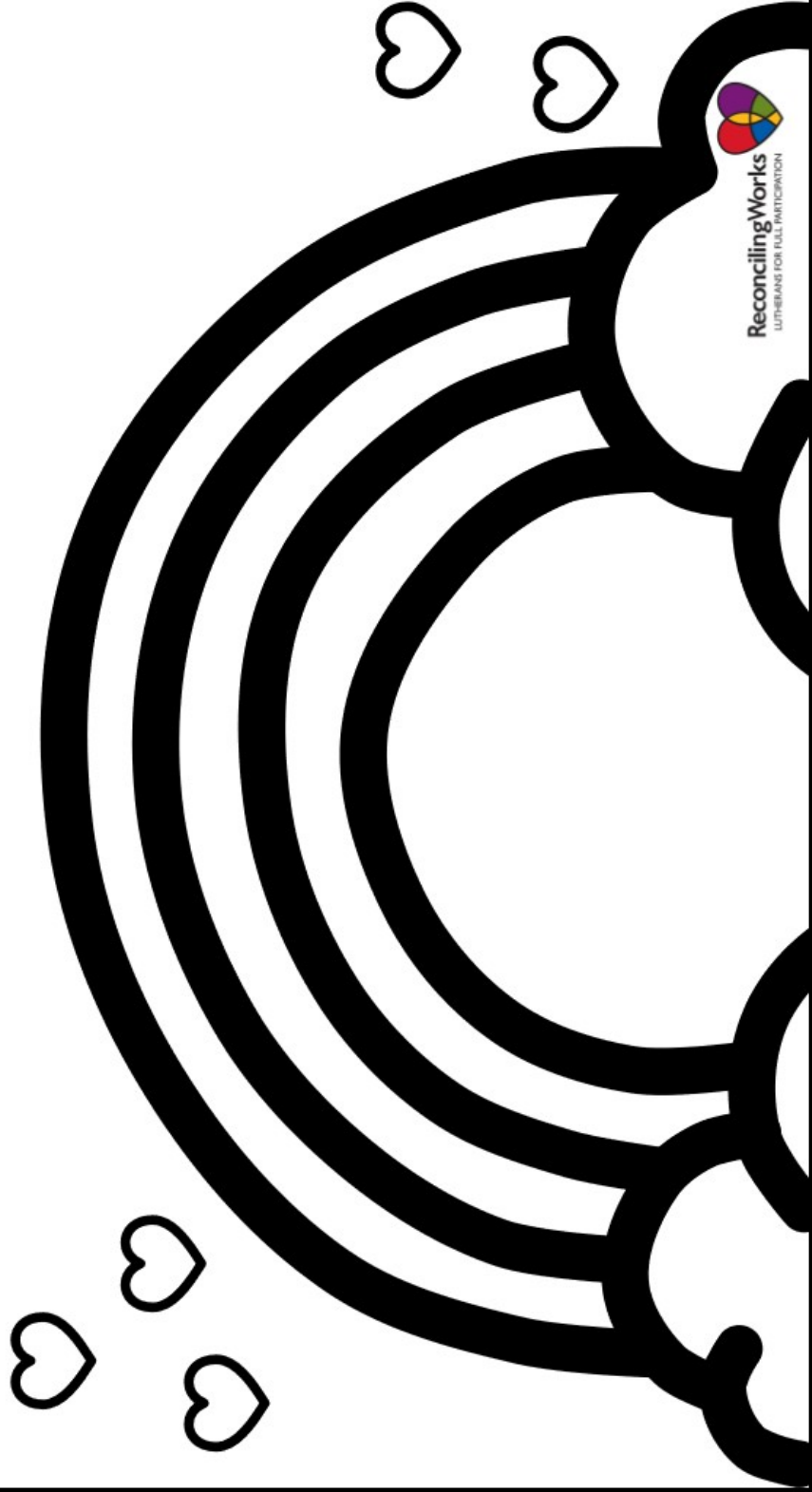
**Any questions?** Please contact Doris Modahl ([608.784.5238](tel:608.784.5238)) or Carol Miller ([608.792.2334](tel:608.792.2334)).

## **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.

**GUNDERSEN HEALTH SYSTEM** will be hosting a virtual *Healthy Living with Chronic Pain* workshop Wed., afternoons for 6 wks. starting August 7. This workshop focuses on strategies for understanding and managing pain and stress management for adults. For more information, please call Vicky at 608-775-6870 or email [wellness@gundersenhealth.org](mailto:wellness@gundersenhealth.org).

**YOU ARE WELCOME  
HERE!**



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# OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

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

## CALENDAR

### Sunday, July 14, 2024

**9:30am** Worship/HC  
**10:15am** CF  
**6:30pm** Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

### Monday

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

### Tuesday

**9am—1pm** Office Open  
**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  
**12 noon** Worship/HC  
**1pm** Art & Faith

### Thursday,

**9am—1pm** Office Open  
**10am** Bible Study

### Friday

**Church Office Closed**  
**Pastor/Staff Sabbath**

### Saturday

**9am—1pm** WCC Open

### Sunday, July 21, 2024

**Noisy Offering—Emergency Fund**

**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

**Jack** Turner

### MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

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

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Lisa** Smaby July 16  
**Rayone** Moyer July 17  
**Gregg** Attleson July 18  
**Joel** McCall July 20  
**Barb** Bahr July 22