

Sunday, October 13, 2024

21st 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 James Radatz AV Team: Gary & Deb Wold Communion Assistant: Deb Wollin Organist: Thomas Haag Prayer Reader: Sue Staples

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE Variations on "CWM Rhondda"

Hal H. Hopson

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,

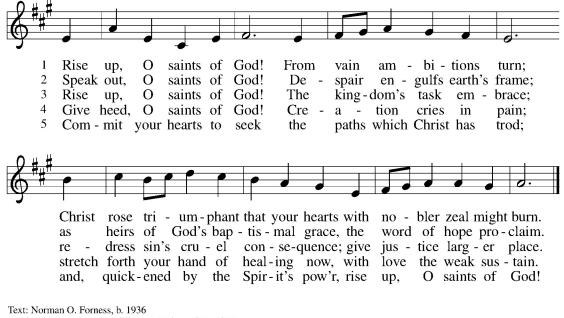
have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, 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

Rise Up, O Saints of God!



Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893

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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.

ELW #669

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.



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, stanzas; Robert Lowry, 1826–1899, refrain Music: MARCHING TO ZION, Robert Lowry

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 17—31

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. ²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

YOUNG PERSON'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Pastor James Radatz



God of Grace and God of Glory

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873-1932

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 the refrain from Healer of Our Every III, ELW #612)

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

Compassionate God, embolden the church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love.

Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world.

God of grace, hear us as we sing: Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

Steadfast God, inspire world leaders to share resources and work collectively to end global poverty, starvation, and preventable disease. Direct us to seek justice and equity, that all may live in peace. Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely. Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today.

God of grace, hear us as we sing: Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

Generous God, we give thanks for the first nations and tribes who inhabited this land, including the Ho Chunk people. We lament the harm done by colonization. Call us to deeper appreciation and care for the languages, rituals, and history of all Indigenous people.

Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living.

God of grace, hear us as we sing: Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow. Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever. **Amen.**

FALL STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS & ELCA WORLD HUNGER APPEAL

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

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.

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)	O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
2	Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.
3 4	Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you
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5	re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.
	I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt-ing sounds I hear. a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.
	that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.
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O Jesus, I Have Promised

Text: John E. Bode, 1816–1874, alt. Music: MUNICH, Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Marching to Zion

Pepper Choplin

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GOOD OLD FASHIONED CHURCH POTLUCK TODAY!

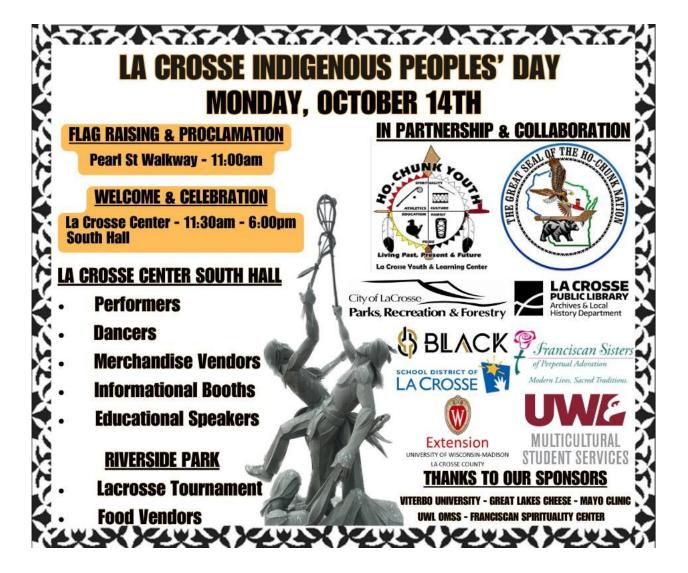
Join us for a time of community, delicious food, and good conversation after worship today. Whether you brought a dish to share or came with just your appetite, there's always plenty of food and fellowship to go around! Join us!

3RD QUARTER GIVING STATEMENTS

3rd quarter giving statements are now available. Please plan on picking yours up after worship in the Narthex today. We want to thank you for your commitment, generosity, and support. Your contributions make a significant impact, not only within our church but also in our neighborhood and around the world. Through your giving, we are able to reach out, support, and uplift those in need, making a real difference in countless lives. Thank you for being a vital part of our shared mission.

EXPLORE THE BEAUTY OF FALL!

Join Our Savior's WELCA on Thursday, October 17 for a trip to Trempealeau. We'll stop at Schwertel's Family Farms and Dave's Ice Cream. Please meet at 12:30pm at church and we'll carpool. The sights, and sounds, and tastes of fall are meant to be shared. All are welcome.



HURRICANES HIT THE SOUTHEAST All gifts matched up to \$125,000

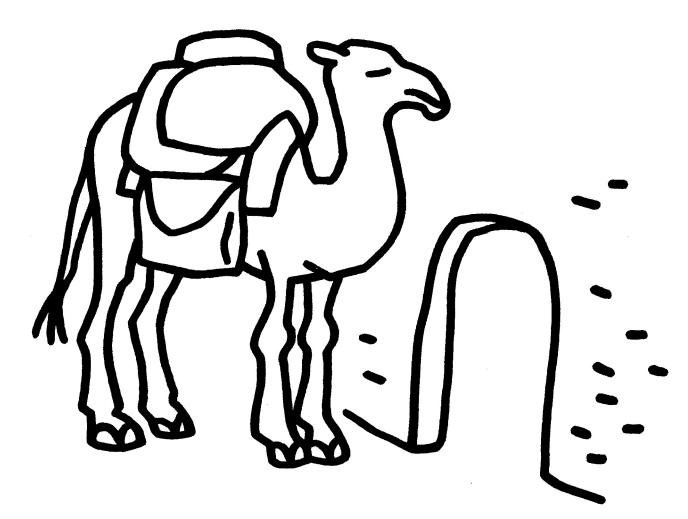
Your gifts will rush 2X the relief to families in the path of Hurricanes Milton and Helene.

lwr.org/hurricane-match

Thank you for sharing God's love with your neighbors when and where they need it most.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF



OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 13, 2024

Sunday, Octob				
9:30am	Worship/HC			
10:15am Good Old Fashion Potluck				
10:15am Moo-Moo's Prayer Club				
6:30pm	Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.			
Monday				
9am—1pm	Office Open			
6pm	Priscilla Circle			
Tuesday				
9am—1pm	Office Open			
1—5pm	WCC Open			
	CFS Doors Open			
4pm				
4:15—5:15pm	CFS Meal Served			
5:15—5:30pm	CFS Carry Outs			
Wednesday				
9am—1pm	Office Open			
12 noon	Worship/HC			
	Art & Faith			
lpm Comm				
6pm	Church Council			
Thursday				
9am—1pm	Office Open			
12:30pm	WELCA mtg.			
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<u>Friday</u>				
Church Office	Closed			
Pastor/Staff Sabbath				
Caturday				
Saturday				
9am—1pm	WCC Open			
9:30—10:30am	AB-Yes! Lesson			
Sunday, October 20, 2024				
Noisy Offering—Emergency Fund				
9:30am	Worship/HC			
10:15am	CF			
6:30pm	Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.			
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PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Athena Burg, Bev Hanson, Carol Kant, Casey Kanter, Cindy Moe, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, Dave Kjos, Erik Rudrud, Esther Harman, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, George, Jane Speer, Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jim Garson, Joyce Gosman, Karen Geoglein, Katie White, Kilian Crary, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Mary Covey, Monica & Jack, Morris Buros, Peggy Kneifl, Pete Harman, Rich Pitz, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sandy Kjos, Sonja Simonson-Schrag, Theo Abnet, Tom Cade, and Vickie Hengel

GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

Myra Smaby

MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Cindi McMullin	October 15
Ruby VanZee	October 15
Jack Zinniel	October 15
Cheryl Olson	October 17
Gary Wold	October 18
Andy Stutesman	October 19

Calendar Notations:

HC—Holy Communion MMPC—Moo-Moo's Prayer Club W&M—Worship & Music Committee CF—Coffee Fellowship CFS—Come For Supper WCC—Women's Clothes Closet