



# Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

*Sharing God's Love with All!*

**Seventh Sunday After Easter**

May 28, 2017, 9:15 am

Welcome

We have come from our own places to this special sacred place. This is a place where we know we can share community and be blessed. So let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life in the presentness of God.

Gathering Hymn.....*Come and Fill Our Hearts*.....#528

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.  
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Greeting

P: 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.**

Confession (*Let us pray together*)

**C: God our Saviour, we confess our follies and sins which are numerous, some recognized and some that go unnoticed.**

**Among us are :**

**the confused who need to spend more time under your revealing light,**

**the ‘nit pickers’ who need a fresh encounter with unqualified love,  
the excuse makers who need to face up to responsibility,  
the sceptics who need to put doubts to the test,  
the intolerant who need a new appointment with free grace,  
the bored believers who need a revival of the first passionate faith.**

**Merciful God, by the vigor of your Holy Spirit, challenge our evasions, expose our delinquency, forgive our sins, and deliver us from all evil. Through the grace of Christ Jesus our Saviour. Amen!**

Assurance of Pardon

P: It is written: “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life.”  
My sisters and brothers, this is the gospel of grace. We are a forgiven people. Believe it, receive it, live it!

**C: Amen.**

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Kyrie.....Page 203

**Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer. We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair. Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin. Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart. Renew us with your saving pow’r; create in us new hearts!**

Canticle of Praise.....Page 204

**Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth: we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.**

**Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.**

**Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!**

Prayer of the Day

**C: God of ever-flowing love, with trust in your overflowing grace we gather together this day as friends to worship you, to hear your Word, and by faith we hope to fulfill it. Encourage us, loving God, to be bold in our trust, enthusiastic in worship, and humble in our service. Through Christ Jesus our Redeemer. Amen.**

Psalm.....Psalm 137: 1-6

L: By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, when we remembered you, O Zion.

**C: As for our harps, we hung them up on the trees in the midst of that land.**

L: For those who led us away captive asked us for a song, and our oppressors called for mirth: "Sing us one of the songs of Zion."

**C: How shall we sing the Lord's song upon alien soil?**

L: If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill.

**C: Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.**

Reading.....John 3: 14-21

Open the Bible.....Pastor Dorothy Sandahl

Hymn of the Day.....*Listen, God Is Calling*.....#513

**Refrain: Listen, listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort, and joy.**

**Jesus gave his mandate: share the good news that he came to save us and set us free. Refrain**

**Let none be forgotten throughout the world. In the triune name of God go and baptize. Refrain**

**Help us to be faithful, standing steadfast, walking in your precepts, led by your Word. Refrain**

Apostles Creed.....Page 105

Prayers of the Intercession (Each petition will end with “Lord in your mercy”; please respond “**Hear our prayers**”.)

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Choir anthem (during the offering).....”Blessed Are the Peacemakers”

Offering Hymn.....*Lord, I Lift Your Name On High*.....#857

**Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.**

Offering Prayer

P: Thank you, heavenly Father, for giving your Son so that we can have eternal life. Strengthen our faith in him. Guide us to live in the light of Christ, and to give ourselves in love to other people..

**C: Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving.....Page 206

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*.....Page 207

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution

P: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**C: (to be sung) Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Lord's Prayer.....Page 208

Holy Communion

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray. O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray. O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.**

Choir Anthem (during Communion)....."Mercy Tree"

Communion Prayer

P: Almighty and merciful God, you love us and make all things new in Christ. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your kindness which you have shown to us in this holy meal. Make known your heavenly glory in the renewal of our lives. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn....."*Go, Make Disciples*" .....#540

**Go, make disciples, baptizing them, teaching them. Go, make disciples, for I am with you till the end of time. Go, be the salt of the earth. Go be the light of the world. Go, be a city on a hill, so all can see that you're serving me.**

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## Blessing

P: The God we worship is never confined to this holy place. So go and travel with the God who is found in ordinary and surprising places.

As you prepare to leave this special place, pray that you may have the courage to stretch once more towards the goals set by the Man of Nazareth. There is no shame in failing. But there is in not trying.

Fall in love with living, wrestling with the chaos and the pain within yourself and within the world. Join the celebration of life, dancing with the angels and the clowns. And may the God of peace and joy, who is continually making all things new, embrace you as a partner in actions in the world . In the name of the Father, son and Holy spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, and one another!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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## Announcements

**The WELCA** meeting for June 1 will be attending the Salad Luncheon at Peace in Pigeon Falls at 12 noon. The speaker is "Helda Pay", the Director of Inactivity at the Lutheran Home for the Unpleasant! AKA Penny Sewall from Westwood Lutheran in St. Paul. Humorous inspiration to say the least! Reservations appreciated & to arrange car pooling call Kay Nelson [715-983-5760](tel:715-983-5760).

**The Holy Cow Assessment Team** will meet Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 - 8:30 PM. Kurt Jacobson will be here to explain our Vital Signs report to us.

**Faithfully Refurbished Sale & Auction**, Saturday, June 17, 11am. Spring is here -- time to work on projects for this year's sale! Invite all your friends! Questions? Contact Laura Foss, [715-797-5342](tel:715-797-5342), [LauraFoss@hotmail.com](mailto:LauraFoss@hotmail.com) or Viola Jacobson, [715-538-2150](tel:715-538-2150), [FVJaco@tcc.coop](mailto:FVJaco@tcc.coop).

**Call Committee** - We are looking for people who would be willing to serve on the Call Committee. Please call the church office (715-538-4334) or John Powell (715-299-2172) to leave your name and express interest in serving on the Call Committee.

**Church Office Volunteers Needed:** Just a reminder that Church Office volunteers are needed each Wednesday of every month from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM. If there is not a volunteer for a Wednesday, the church office will be closed. Contact Brenda Loga at 715-538-4982 or the church office to volunteer.

**Lutheran World Relief Mission Kits:** Why wait for fall to begin collecting supplies for mission kits? Each month we will try and collect certain items so the kits will be ready to go by October. For **May** we will be collecting **Combs** (sturdy wide tooth) **Nail clippers**, **Toothbrushes** (adult size)

**Happy Birthday:** Wishing a happy birthday this upcoming week to: **Julie Nordby, Denice Staff, Wesley Herried, Emily Herness, Jillian Schaefer, Ace Hanson, Paula Powell, David Hegge, Anna Kurth, and Brett Leque.**

**Please pray for the following:** Barb Harms, Karl Fernholz, Roy Arneson, George Przybilla, Vicki Windjue, Steven Hanvold, Ralph Johnson, Lara Schansberg, Bob Guinn, Jeff Betthauser, Mary Eid Everson, Jerry Betthauser, Elaine Foss, Christin Stoutner, Kaye Henrickson, Mark Windjue, Donna Fernholz, Diane Sesevold, Delores Coburn, Sue Lyga, Ivan Semb, Claire Hanson, Bambi Beck, Fern Moe, and Deb Zwick.

**Coming Up This Week:**

**Wednesday** - Holy Cow Assessment Team 6:00pm  
JCrew 6:30pm

**Thursday** - WELCA Salad Luncheon 12:00 PM

**Sunday** - Sunday Worship 9:15am

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