## Our Savior Lutheran Church

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## Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2024

#### **Welcome Visitors!**

We celebrate the Lord's Supper at this holy gathering in celebration and confession that the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14) is present here with His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine we receive at the altar (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:24-25).

Because this Sacrament is called Communion, all who come to the rail are to confess the same confession of faith. Because there are differences between denominations, we ask that you please speak to Pastor if you are not a member of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation.

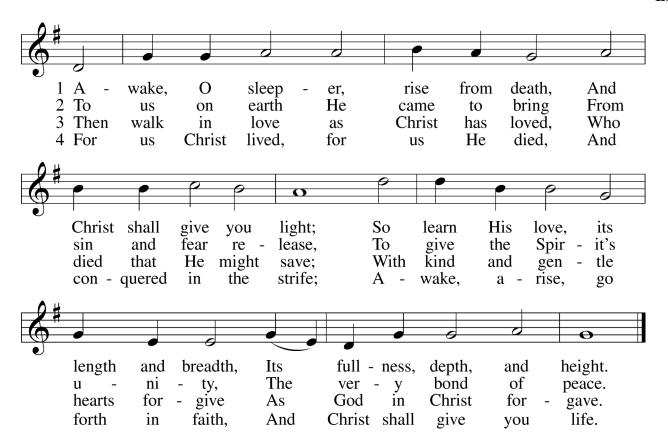
This practice is not a judgment upon anyone's faith. It is the Church's ancient practice to make sure that no one takes Jesus' body and blood to their harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). During the distribution, we ask that you sing the distribution hymns, meditate upon Jesus' death and resurrection as the reason for our gathering, and pray for the day that the devilish divisions between us will be abolished by the Son of God when He returns.

## **Divine Service Setting One**

## **Opening Hymn**

"Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death"

LSB 697



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Invocation LSB 151

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

LSB 151

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Psalm 145:10-21

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10 All your works shall give thanks to you, | O LORD,*
and all your saints shall | bless you!

11 They shall speak of the glory of your | kingdom*
and tell | of your power,

12 to make known to the children of man your | mighty deeds,*
and the glorious splendor of your | kingdom.

13 Your kingdom is an everlasting | kingdom,*
and your dominion endures throughout all gener- | ations.

The LORD is faithful in | all his words*
and kind in | all his works.

14 The LORD upholds all who are | falling*
and raises up all who are | bowed down.

15 The eyes of all | look to you,*
and you give them their food in due | season.

16 You open | your hand;*
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you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

<sup>17</sup>The LORD is righteous in all his ways\* and kind in all his works.

<sup>18</sup>The Lord is near to all who | call on him,\* to all who call on | him in truth.

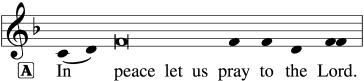
<sup>19</sup>He fulfills the desire of those who | fear him;\* he also hears their cry and saves them.

<sup>20</sup>The Lord preserves all who | love him,\* but all the wicked he | will destroy.

<sup>21</sup>My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,\* and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and lever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**Kyrie** LSB 152





Lord, have mer - cy.



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

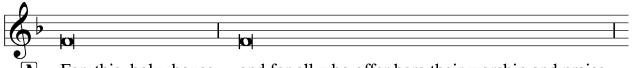




For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,





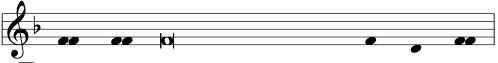


For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise





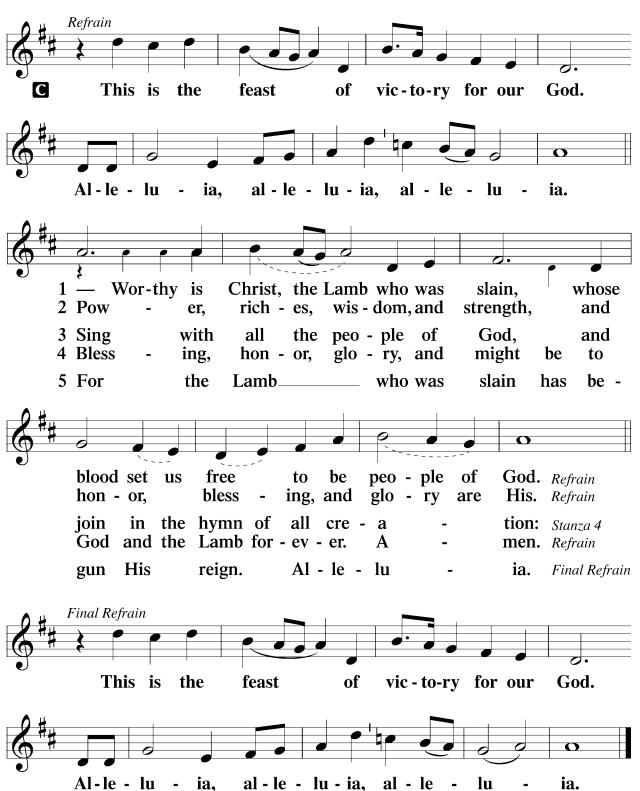
have mer - cy. Lord,



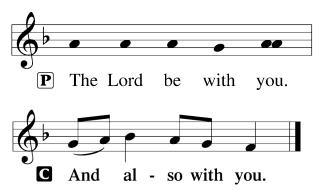
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.



This is the Feast LSB 155



## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** Let us pray.



## **Old Testament Reading**

Exodus 16:2-15

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, <sup>3</sup>and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

<sup>4</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, "At evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against the Lord. For what are we, that you grumble against us?" <sup>8</sup>And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the Lord has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the Lord."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling." <sup>10</sup>And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>And the Lord said to Moses, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God."

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. <sup>14</sup>And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading Ephesians 4:1-16

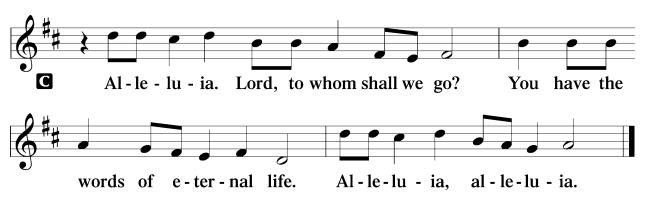
<sup>1</sup>I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup>But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it says,

"When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."

<sup>9</sup>(In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup>so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. <sup>15</sup>Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse LSB 157



Holy Gospel John 6:22-35

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.



<sup>22</sup>On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. <sup>23</sup>Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. <sup>24</sup>So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? <sup>31</sup>Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" <sup>32</sup>Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.





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#### Sermon

"A Prisoner for the Lord"

Ephesians 4:1-16

#### Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

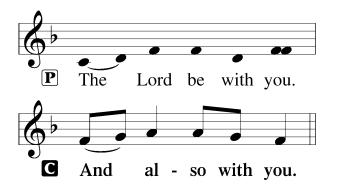
## Prayer of the Church

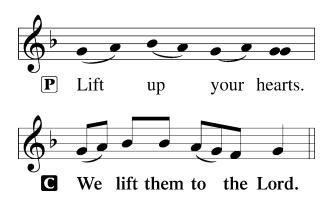
- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy

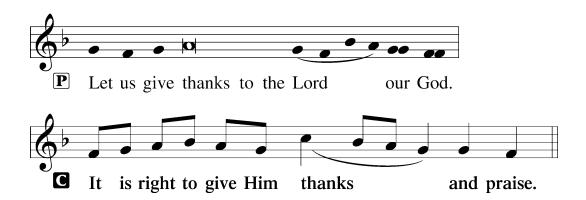
Offertory LSB 159



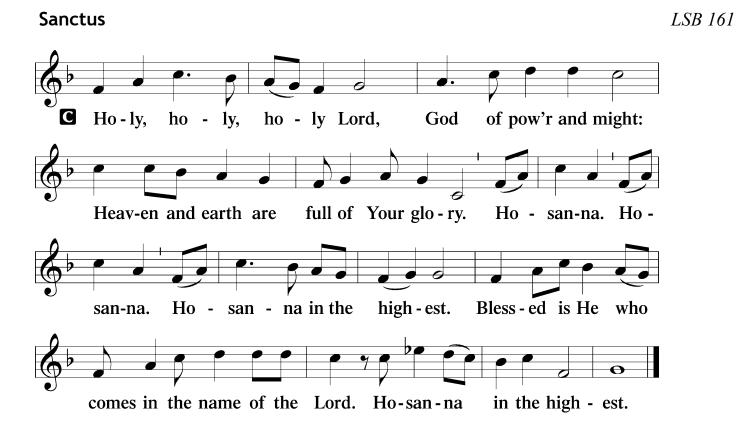
Preface LSB 160







**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and saying:



- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, . . . one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

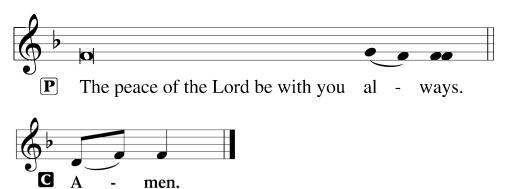
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

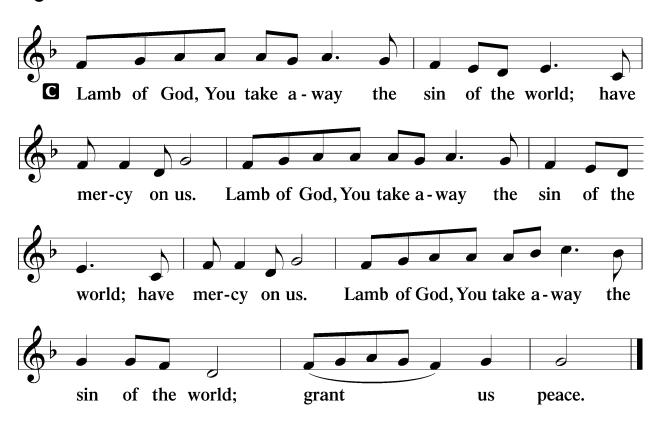
C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini LSB 163



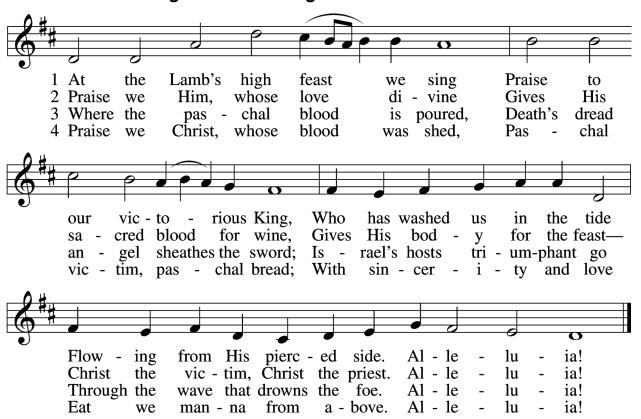
Agnus Dei LSB 163



## **Prayer Before Communing**

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive his holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **Distribution Hymns**



- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
  This alone can sin destroy;
  From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
  Newborn souls in You to be.
  Alleluia!
- △8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

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## Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Thank the Lord LSB 164



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

C Amen.

Benediction LSB 166

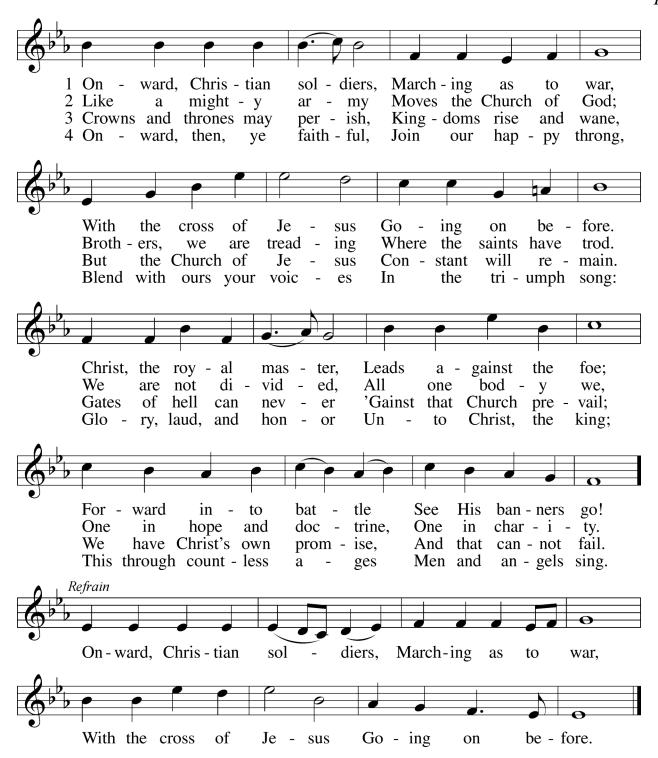
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



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## **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Today:** Worship at OSLC, 9am

**Today:** Worship at Good Shepherd, 10:45am

Wednesday: Acts Bible Study, 10am
Wednesday: Bulletin Deadline, 10am

Wednesday: Wednesday Fellowship Meal, 6pm

**Thursday:** Gilman Service, 10:45am Worship at Idaville, 6pm

## **Those Serving at OSLC**

	8/4/24	8/11/24
Elder	Neil Rieches	Justin Schroeder
Organist	Benjamin Verswijver	Theta Lee
Radio Monitors	Justin and Brenna Schroeder	Chris Schroeder Marilyn Reeves
Sound Board	Kendra Morts	Patrick Teig
Greeters	OSLC Youth Group	Doug Benner Kendra Morts
Acolyte	Evelyn Morts	Lillian Neukomm
Head Usher	Justin Lavicka	Justin Lavicka
Altar Guild	Marilyn Reeves Chris Schroeder	Marilyn Reeves Chris Schroeder

#### **Announcements**

**IF YOU MISSED** the Quarterly Voters Meeting on Sunday, July 21st please email Dave Lucht at dave@oursaviormilford.com and he will send you the link.

**WEDNESDAY MEAL AND FELLOWSHIP:** We will have our Wednesday Fellowship meal August 7th at 6pm. This month we will have potluck. Ham will be provided, please bring a dish to share. Come support your Pastor's family as they recap their weeks at Higher Things – both as attendees and as college helpers.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** will resume this Wednesday, Aug 7. We will begin studying the Book of Acts. All are welcome to join us at 10am.

**COLLEGE STUDENT SENDOFF:** On Sunday, Aug 11 we will take a few moments to pray for our college students as they head back to class. Students able to attend will give us an update on their college journey.

**CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING:** On Wednesday, Aug 14, confirmation students and parents will meet at 6:30pm to discuss the expectations of the coming year.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE CLASS** will resume on Sunday, August 18. A new Bible Bucks store will be opened also. Plan now to join us as we resume Christian Education.

**LADIES BIBLE STUDY will begin** Thursday, August 29th at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. We will study various Psalms that point to the Messiah in "A New Song: I Have Set My King on Zion." This is a 6-week study. Please let Renee know if you will join us and get your book by Sunday, August 18. Cost of the book is \$5.

**2024 LAWN MOWING:** Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. THANK YOU to those that have helped mow the grass so far this summer. We still have open spaces as we head into August.

**LUTHERANS FOR LIFE QUOTE** "If the Christian church is passionate about protecting every life, then we will need to learn how to meet relational needs. When an unplanned pregnancy happens, the baby's parents often have massive needs to help them grow as people and, perhaps, as a couple. Could you be God's way of meeting such needs?" *Pastor Mike Novotny, Time of Grace • lutheransforlife.org* 

## **Prayer List**

## Those celebrating a birthday:

Chad Garrelts Today
Suzie Smith Today
Connie Langelier Saturday

## Those celebrating an anniversary:

Brian and Shannan Neukomm Wednesday (20 years)

## Those suffering from cancer:

Linda Buhrmester
Nancy Tobeck
Janet Doyle, friend of Patty Bruens
Kim Cann, friend of Becky Bridge
Dale Colvin, cousin of Jim Winder
Tim Evans, brother in law of Bob Storm
Lisa High, friend of Becky Hiles
Kendra Howard, niece of Doug Benner
Pamela Howard, sister of Doug Benner
Ron Mulach, cousin of Shelle Franke
Amy Wall, cousin of Shelle Franke
Fred Wright, brother of Marvin Wright

## Those requesting your prayers:

#### **Homebound Members**

Dianne Estes
Delmer Henrichs\*
Arlene Hines
Dorothy Knake
Joann Sloan
Brenda St. Peter

<sup>\*</sup>Delmer moved to the IMH Residents Home in Watseka this week.

# Those serving in our Armed Forces and our local Law Enforcement, especially those connected to the OSLC family:

#### Armed Forces

Karl Gibbs - serving as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy
Justin McGahan - Milford community member, serving in the U.S. Army
Corey Moore - son of Kevin and Kasey Moore, serving in the U.S. Marine Reserves
Timothy Raddatz - nephew of Phil and Cindy Raddatz, serving in the U.S. Coast Guard
Kaleb Waldbeser - friend of Bob and Donna Flesher, serving in the U.S. Marine Corp.

#### Law Enforcement

Wyatt Alt - Iroquois County Sherriff Department
Thomas Wimmer - friend of Emily Hines, member of the Tilton Police Department

Central Illinois District Congregations: Zion in Pleasant Plains and Donald Pritchard her pastor.

**Iroquois Circuit Congregations:** St. John in Buckley and Kevin Wyckoff her pastor. Good Shepherd in Hoopeston and Immanuel in Idaville as they continue in the call process.

#### Those studying at the Seminary:

Seminarian Simon Niemtschk, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO Seminarian Jacob Bergstedt, Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft Wayne, IN.

## Those serving in the Mission Field:

Rev. Samuel Bobby, his wife Erica, and sons Judah, August, Benjamin, Simon, and Pax, our adopted international missionary, currently serving in Latvia. Rev. Bobby teaches at The Luther Academy, the seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia.



# **Moments with Mahlah**

For the Week of July 28, 2024

Mahlah began her week at home at OSLC, with Sheila Selk as her handler. She was happy to pose with some special friends after the service.









At this writing Mahlah had two more visiting days on her schedule. On Wednesday she was to make her first visit to the Piper City Rehab and Living Center, with Dean and Jayne Henrichs as handlers. Then, on Friday, Dean and Jayne were to be handlers again for Mahlah's visit to Hoopeston's Autumn Fields and Heritage Heath.

Last Friday Mahlah enjoyed a lovely visit at Prairieview, with Susan and Rod Yergler as handler and ministry partner.









Remember to email Mahlah at Mahlah@K9Comfort.org if you know of an individual or organization that would benefit from a visit. Thanks for your continued support as we seek to bring the compassion, mercy, presence, and proclamation of Jesus to all.