

All Saints Lutheran Church

Everyone is Welcome here! Seriously, Everyone!

10th Sunday After Pentecost

August 17, 2025 at 9:30 am

Wales, WI

Welcome to Worship!

Congregational Responses will be in Bold.

PRELUDE Peggy Kolonko

WELCOME & PRAYER REQUESTS

OPENING HYMN "I want to Walk as a Child of the Light" #815 vs 1,2

LITANY

- P: We do not gather alone today. We gather as part of a great story, a story of faith that stretches across generations.
- C: We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.
- P: By faith, they passed through the Red Sea as on dry land. By faith, the walls of Jericho fell. By faith, they conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised.
- C: By faith, they trusted in God's power and provision.
- P: But faith was not always a story of earthly victory. Some were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain a better resurrection. They faced jeers and flogging, chains and imprisonment.
- C: By faith, they endured for a promise they could not yet see.
- P: Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.
- C: Let us run with hope, courage, and endurance.
- P: How do we run this race? The scripture tells us how: by fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

C:We fix our eyes on you, Lord Jesus. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³ Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? ²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed! I have dreamed!" ²⁶ How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷ They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

SECOND READING Hebrews 11:29—12:2

- ²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry and, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.
- ³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection.

Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1} Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

GOSPEL Luke 12:49-56

[Jesus said:] ⁴⁹ "I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE "Running the Race of Faith" Pastor Jennifer Rose

HYMN OF THE DAY "Lord of All Hopefulness" #765 vs 1,2

APOSTLES' 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 THE PEOPLE

Each prayer petition will end with:

P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

The prayers will end with:

P: Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

C:Amen

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

We encourage you to share God's peace however you are comfortable. Handshakes, high-5's, fist bumps, peace signs, and waves are all appropriate.

OFFERING

The offering is an act of worship. We offer a portion of what God has blessed us with for the purpose of doing God's work in the world through the church. You can donate via collection plate, by scanning the QR Code, or Texting to Give at 262-233-1776.



OFFERING MUSIC

Peggy Kolonko

POST OFFERING CANTICLE "Create in Me"

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OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is a table of grace where all are welcome! Please come forward to receive Holy Communion. For those of you who are with us online, please find some sort of bread & wine/juice at home to use & share during Communion. Feel free to say to one another, "The body and blood of Christ given and shed for you."

COMMUNION HYMN "Lamb of God" #336

COMMUNION HYMN "Blest Are They" #728

COMMUNION HYMN "Eat this Bread" #472

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit bless you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN "Christ Be our Light" #715 vs 1,2,5

Sending

P: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks Be to God!

Thank you for joining us for worship this Sunday!

| Worship Participants | August 17 th | August 24 th |
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| Reader | Dyan Pasono | Nansi Hawkins |
| Communion Servers | Brenda Calhoun /Volunteer Needed | Joanne Bartelt and Nansi Hawkins |
| Communion Prep | Brenda Calhoun | Joanne Bartelt |
| Greeters | Volunteers Needed | Volunteers Needed |
| Coffee Hosting | Kathy Neubert | Jeff and Kathy Konig |
| Ushers | George Corliss | George Corliss |

To sign up for Greeters and Readers, you can scan the QR Code.

Coffee Hosts can sign up in the kitchen. Ushers are assigned by Greg Cholka.



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All Saints Lutheran Church is a Reconciled in Christ Congregation.

We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture,

every sexual orientation and gender identity,

any socio-economic status and every ability and challenge.

We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.





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I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



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Lord of All Hopefulness



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Create in Me a Clean Heart



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Lamb of God Your Only Son



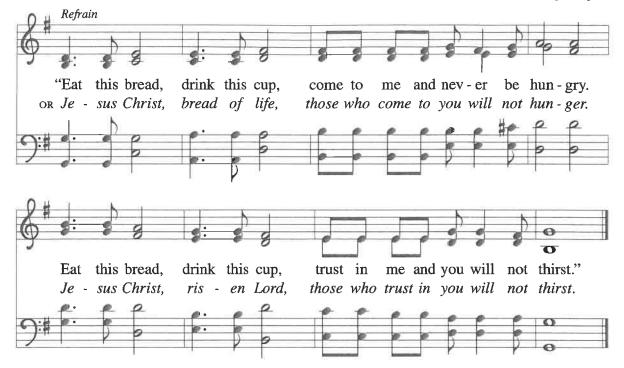
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Jesus Christ, Bread of Life



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BERTHIER Irregular

Christ, Be Our Light

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