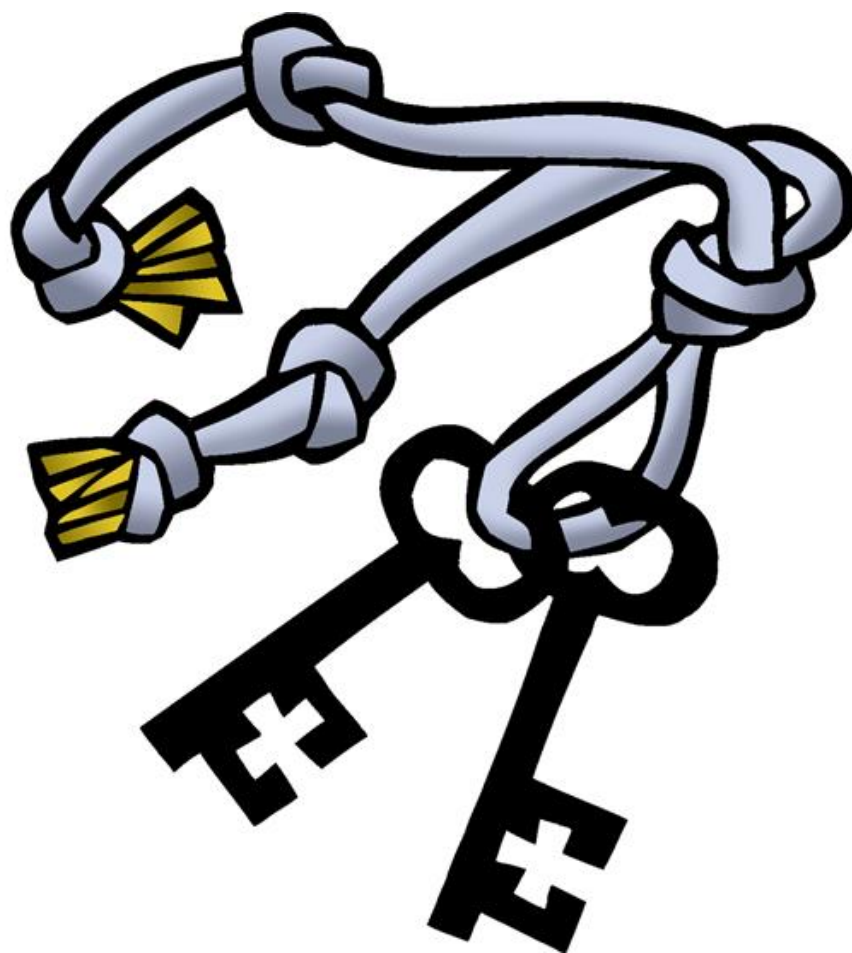




All Saints Lutheran Church

Everyone is Welcome here! Seriously, Everyone!

13th Sunday After Pentecost

August 23, 2026 at 9:30 am

Wales, WI



WELCOME TO WORSHIP THIS MORNING!

We are glad that you've come to worship with us.

Everything you need to participate in this morning's service is in your handout.

We celebrate God's love and forgiveness with Holy Communion

every Sunday and you are welcome to join us.

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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Welcome to Worship!

Congregational Responses will be in Bold.

PRELUDE

Judy Knoernschild

WELCOME AND PRAYER REQUESTS

OPENING HYMN “Built On A Rock”

#652 v 1, 3

LITANY

L: We gather as one body made of many parts, bringing our unique gifts, lived experiences, and seeking hearts.

C: **We choose transformation over conformity, opening our minds to radical grace.**

L: Jesus asks us today, "Who do you say that I am?" We find the Divine not in rigid dogma, but in the vulnerable, the marginalized, and the peacemakers. Holy God of earthquakes and illness;

C: **You are the living Christ, revealed wherever love overcomes fear and justice breaks our chains.**

L: If your gift is advocacy, speak truth. If it is serving, offer help. If it is encouragement, share hope.

C: **Let us build our community in mutual love. Let us love genuinely and walk humbly with one another. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Michael and Judy Knoernschild

FIRST READING Isaiah 51:1-6

¹ Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD. Look to the rock from which you were hewn and to the quarry from which you were dug. ² Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah, who bore you, for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³ For the LORD will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

⁴ Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation, for a teaching will go out from me and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftly; my salvation has gone out, and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens and look at the earth beneath, for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats, but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

PSALM

Psalm 138

Read Responsively

L: ¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

C: ² **I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

L: ³ When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

C: ⁴ **All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

- L: ⁵ They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.
- C: ⁶ **The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.**
- L: ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- C: ⁸ **You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

SECOND READING Romans 12:1-8

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God's mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. ² Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

⁴ For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-20

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist but others Elijah and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

MESSAGE

Pastor Jennifer Rose

HYMN OF THE DAY “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

#597

THE 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: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

The prayers will end with:

P: Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Michael and Judy Knoernschild

POST OFFERING “We Are an Offering”

#692

OFFERING PRAYER

Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. 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 **"Shout to the Lord"** **#821**

COMMUNION HYMN **"The King of Love, My Shepherd Is"** **#502**

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

Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN “The Church is One Foundation” #654 vs 1, 4

SENDING

P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Judy Knoernschild

Thank you for joining us for worship this Sunday!

Worship Participants	August 23 rd	August 30 th
Reader	Cookie Brehm	Volunteer Needed
Communion Servers	Brenda Calhoun <i>and Volunteer Needed</i>	Volunteers Needed
Communion Prep	Brenda Calhoun	Volunteer Needed
Greeters	Volunteer(s) Needed	Volunteer(s) Needed
Coffee Hosting	Cookie Brehm and Caroline Basley	Volunteers Needed
Ushers	Laura and Jim Dralle	Tom and Rose Leben

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.



THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THE CHURCH PICNIC!



Smiling Faces at a Great Event!



Congratulations to
Cornhole Winners
Lance and Laura Ekum!



Better Luck Next Time,
Jack and Henry.



[● REC]

The Stewardship team has been working diligently since April to plan this year's campaign and we need your help.

If you have been yearning to be in the spotlight, here's your chance. Instead of the usual "Temple Talks" we've done the past several years, we are going to change it up a bit. We are looking for several volunteers to answer the following "faith story" questions via video recordings that you can record yourselves or have a Stewardship team member record for you at an arranged time. The interviews should be brief, 1-2 minutes in length, which will allow us to share them during worship.

Ideally, we would like the videos submitted by August 16 which will allow us to edit them prior to the kick-off of the Stewardship campaign.

Here is a list of the interview questions we are looking to have answered:

1. What keeps you coming to All Saints Lutheran Church?
2. How would you describe your faith journey?
3. What is your "faith story"?
4. How has your "faith" grown?
5. Who was someone you looked up to during our faith journey?
6. How has your faith grown through life's challenges?
7. How does your faith impact your daily life?
8. Share a time when your faith was tested.
9. What Bible story, song or verse is most influential in your life right now?

Completed videos or questions can be sent to Pam Gasper at pamg7724@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for your participation!

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All Saints Lutheran Church

Sunday School Registration

Ages 4K - 6th Grade

10:00 - 10:45 am

Classes Start September 13th

Register online at www.ASLCWales.org



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Confirmation Registration

Usually 7th & 8th Graders, but older students are welcome

Twice a month following worship from 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM.

Register on our website: www.ASLCWales.org

