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“BIG SISTER”

September 20, 2026 | Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost



INFORMATION FOR GUESTS

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP! A warm welcome to our guests this morning. It is a privilege to have you join us as we worship and praise our Savior, Jesus Christ. We want you to feel at home here, so we are providing the following information to make your visit as pleasant as possible.

CHILDREN'S BULLETIN: If you have little ones with restless hands, children's bulletins can be obtained from an usher to help keep the kids occupied.

CONNECTION CARD & MY MINI FORTÉ: When the offering is collected, everyone is asked to fill out the Connect Card found in your bulletin. Please print your address and telephone number on the slip so we can better serve you and provide additional information. We will follow up with you about events and volunteer opportunities using the details you share in the "My Mini Forté" section on the back of the card.

RESTROOMS & WATER FOUNTAINS: Restrooms are located near the front and rear entrances to the sanctuary. Signs are located on the wall.

NURSERY: A nursery, with a qualified attendant, is provided for the care of children 3 years old or younger. It is in the back of the church (Luther Hall) and available during the late service at 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Kids Connect is available for children 4 years old through 5th grade following the children's message in the 10:30 a.m. service. Please pick up your children from the Lakeview Room (Luther Hall) after signing them out. Older kids are asked to attend worship unless scheduled for volunteering.

A SPECIAL INVITATION for everyone to join us in Adult Bible Classes at 9:15 a.m. in the Lakeview Room.

COFFEE IS SERVED: There is coffee fellowship every Sunday from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. in the Breezeway. Come have a cup of joe and enjoy fellowship with one another.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS: Large print bulletins are located in the front entrance of the church (narthex). Please ask an usher for assistance.

RECEIVING COMMUNION: Please see the distribution statement in this bulletin (printed in the Service of the Sacrament after the prayers of the church).

HOW CAN YOU BECOME A MEMBER? If you have a previous membership with a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregation, you can transfer your membership to **Our Savior** by contacting the church office. We will gladly reach out to your previous church to request the transfer. You may also join by profession of faith. New members are welcomed regularly, and New Member Classes are offered year-round. For assistance or additional information, please call the church office at (954) 473-6888.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE at www.osplantation.church to watch past sermons, read the Weekly Newsletter, view the events calendar, and access our [Facebook Page](#).

Our Savior Lutheran Church

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Tony Durante, Pastor



“Serving Christ-Serving Others-Changing Lives”

(**P**=pastor, **L**=liturgist, **C**=congregation, **R**=reader, **A**=cantor)

As we gather, please take a minute to fill out your Connect Card.

Prelude

(Bells rung to begin services.)

Announcements

(Please stand)

8 AM Opening Hymn—LSB 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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| 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King
of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your
health and salvation!
Let all who hear
Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration! | What need or grief
Ever has failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade you. |
| 2 Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things is
wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting,
sustaining.
Have you not seen
All that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining? | 4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your
work and defend you;
Surely His goodness
and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you. |
| 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully,
wondrously, made you,
Health has bestowed and, when
heedlessly falling, has stayed you. | 5 Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath,
come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him! |

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(8 a.m. attendees, please proceed to the Invocation on p.5 ⇨)

(Please stand)

10:30 AM Opening Song 1—This is Amazing Grace

1. **Verse 1**
Who breaks the power
of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty
and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings
2. **Verse 2**
Who shakes the whole earth
with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless
in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings
3. **Chorus**
*(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing
for all that You've done for me*
4. **Verse 3**
Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan
a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory
5. **Verse 4**
Who rules the nations
with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings
6. **Chorus**
7. **Bridge**
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King
who conquered the grave
(REPEAT 2x)
Worthy worthy worthy
8. **Chorus**
*(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing
for all that You've done for me*

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10:30 AM Opening Song 2—Reckless Love

1. **Verse 1**
Before I spoke a word
You were singing over me
You have been so so good to me
Before I took a breath
You breathed Your life in me
You have been so so kind to me
2. **Chorus**
*(And) O the overwhelming
never-ending reckless
Love of God
O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found
Leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it (Cont. →)*

*Still You give Yourself away
O the overwhelming
never-ending reckless
Love of God yeah*

3. Verse 2

When I was Your foe still
Your love fought for me
You have been so so good to me
When I felt no worth You paid it all for me
You have been so so kind to me

4. Chorus

*(And) O the overwhelming
never-ending reckless
Love of God
O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found*

*Leaves the ninety-nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it
Still You give Yourself away
O the overwhelming never-ending
reckless
Love of God yeah*

5. Bridge (2x)

There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me

6. Chorus

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Invocation

L In the Name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

Confession & Absolution

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

L Let us then *kneel* and confess our sins to God our Father.

C **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.**

P 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.

(10:30 a.m. attendees, please proceed to the Salutation & Collect of the Day on [p.7](#)⇒)

8 AM Responsive Reading—Psalm 121

- L** I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
C **where does my help come from?**
- L** My help comes from the Lord,
C **the Maker of heaven and earth.**
- L** He will not let your foot slip—
C **he who watches over you will not slumber;**
L indeed, he who watches over Israel
C **will neither slumber nor sleep.**
- L** The Lord watches over you—
C **the Lord is your shade at your right hand;**
L the sun will not harm you by day,
C **nor the moon by night.**
- L** The Lord will keep you from all harm—
C **he will watch over your life;**
L the Lord will watch over your coming and going
C **both now and forevermore.**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
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Service of the Word

(Please stand)
8 AM—Kyrie (sung)

- A** *In peace let us pray to the Lord.* **C** **Lord have mercy.**
- A** *For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*
C **Lord have mercy.**
- A** *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.*
C **Lord have mercy.**
- A** *For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.*

C *Lord have mercy.*

A *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.* **C** *Amen.*

(Please stand)

Salutation & Collect of the Day

L The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

L Let us pray. O Ever-present God, You watch over our life and keep Your eye on our coming and our going. Reassure us by the preaching of Your word that You always see us wherever we are; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord. **C** **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

L The Scripture readings for this morning bear witness to a special advocacy that God provides. Whether it is the Holy Spirit or in the person of a big sister, like Miriam, God is there for us.

First Reading—Exodus 2:1-10 Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, ² and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. ³ But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. ⁴ His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him.

⁵ Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. ⁶ She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said.

⁷ Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?"

⁸ "Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. ⁹ Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. ¹⁰ When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

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

Second Reading—Romans 8 (selected verses) In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us

through wordless groans. ²⁷ And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

Holy Gospel *(Please stand)*

L The Holy Gospel according St. John, the fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth chapters

C Glory to You, O Lord.

"If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

²⁵ "All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

^{15:26} "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me.

^{16:7} But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

L Let us with one voice confess our faith saying the Creed...

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

10:30 AM Children’s Message

(Children may depart for Kids Connect.)

Hymn of the Day—LSB 794 The Lord, My God, Be Praised

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| 1 The Lord, my God, be praised,
My light, my life from heaven;
My maker, who to me
Has soul and body given;
My Father, who will shield
And keep me day by day
And make each moment yield
New blessings on my way. | Who for my sin atoned
With His most precious blood
And gives to me by faith
The highest heav’nly good. |
| 2 The Lord, my God, be praised,
My trust, my life from heaven,
The Father’s own dear Son,
Whose life for me was given, | 3 The Lord, my God, be praised,
My hope, my life from heaven,
The Spirit, whom the Son
In love to me has given.
His grace revives my heart
And gives my spirit pow’r,
Help, comfort, and support
In sorrow’s gloomy hour. |

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Sermon

Miriam: “Big Sister”

Exodus 2:1-10

Sharing of the Peace

(Please fill out your Connect Cards.)

Offering and Voluntary

10:30 AM Voluntary—Joy of the Lord

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| 1. Verse 1
Though the tears may fall
my song will rise
My song will rise to You
Though my heart may fail
my song will rise | My song will rise to You
While there’s breath in my lungs
I will praise You Lord |
| | 2. Verse 2
In the dead of night I’ll lift my eyes <i>(Cont. →)</i> |

I'll lift my eyes to You
When the waters rise
I'll lift my eyes
I'll lift my eyes to You
While there's hope in this heart
I will praise You Lord

3. Chorus

*The joy of the Lord is my strength
The joy of the Lord is my strength
In the darkness I'll dance
In the shadows I'll sing
The joy of the Lord is my strength*

4. Verse 3

When I cannot see You with my eyes
Let faith arise to You
When I cannot feel Your hand in mine
Let faith arise to You
God of mercy and love
I will praise You Lord

5. Verse 4

Oh You shine with glory Lord of light
I feel alive with You
In Your presence now I come alive
I am alive with You
There is strength when I say
I will praise You Lord

6. Chorus

7. Bridge

When sorrow comes my way
You are the shield around me
Always You remain
My courage in the fight
I hear You call my name
Jesus I am coming
Walking on the waves
reaching for Your light

8. Chorus (2x)

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(Please stand)

Offertory—Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of the Church *(Please stand)*

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and all people according to their needs. *(After each petition, P Lord in Your mercy C Hear our prayer.)*

P All these things and whatever else You know that we need grant us for the sake of Him who died and rose again and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament

As we turn our thoughts toward Holy Communion we are reminded that this is a sacrament of God's Grace intended for baptized Christians who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior, repent or turn from their sins and believe that in and with the bread and wine is Christ's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and strength to live a new life.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Let us pray... **C** Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

Words of Our Lord (Pastor)

Peace of God

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** And also with you.

Agnus Dei (sung)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. (2x)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution *(Please be seated)*

Holy Communion is a gift from God. It is the Lord's Table to which He invites us.

As we prepare to receive the Sacrament, we might ask ourselves the following questions:

- Do I realize that I am a sinful human being?
- Do I understand that our Lord gave His life, His body and blood, for me on the cross that I might be forgiven of my sins and in His resurrection raised me to a new life?
- Do I realize that in the Lord's Supper He gives me His true body and blood that I might be assured of forgiveness and that my faith is strengthened that I might serve my Lord and through Him serve others?

If you are a baptized Christian and share these Biblical truths, please join us in the celebration of the Sacrament. If you have not yet been baptized or received instruction, please come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest to indicate you are not receiving the elements.

General Distribution: For the **8:00 a.m. service**, those who are able may commune at the **altar**.

Individual cups are available **year-round**, while the **Common Cup** is offered **only during special services**.

For the **10:30 a.m. service**, we invite you to participate in the Lord's Supper by joining the **continuous line of communicants** leading to the **foot of the chancel**, as prompted by an usher.

Individual cups are available **year-round**, while the **Common Cup** is offered **only during special services**.

White grape juice is available in the **center of the tray** with the individual cups for those who prefer not to have wine.

Special Distribution:

If you are unable to use the stairs or walk to the front to receive Communion, please remain seated until a Communion assistant arrives. An usher will guide you forward if needed, or the elements will be brought to you at your seat.

8 AM Distribution Hymn—LSB 684 Come unto Me, Ye Weary



- 1 "Come un - to Me, ye wea - ry, And I will give you rest."
- 2 "Come un - to Me, ye wan - d'ers, And I will give you light."
- 3 "Come un - to Me, ye faint - ing, And I will give you life."
- 4 "And who-so - ev - er com - eth, I will not cast him out."



O bless - ed voice of Je - sus, Which comes to hearts op-pressed!
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to cheer the night!
O cheer-ing voice of Je - sus, Which comes to aid our strife!
O pa - tient love of Je - sus, Which drives a - way our doubt,



It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, Of par-don, grace, and peace,
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, And we had lost our way;
The foe is stern and ea - ger, The fight is fierce and long;
Which, though we be un - wor - thy Of love so great and free,



Of joy that hath no end - ing, Of love that can - not cease.
But Thou hast brought us glad - ness And songs at break of day.
But Thou hast made us might - y And strong - er than the strong.
In - vites us ver - y sin - ners To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

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10:30 AM Distribution Hymn—Draw Me Close

1. Verse

Draw me close to You
never let me go
I lay it all down again
To hear You say that I'm Your friend
You are my desire no one else will do
'Cause nothing else could take Your place
To feel the warmth of Your embrace
Help me find the way

bring me back to You

2. Chorus

*You're all I want
You're all I've ever needed
You're all I want
Help me know You are near*

REPEAT VERSE & CHORUS

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Dismissal *(Please stand)*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  in peace. **C** Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us in faith toward You and in love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

Benediction *(Pastor)*

Closing Hymn—LSB 650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's

realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing
 ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing
 min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,

O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,

ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,
 ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ; You we
 ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -

life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.
 praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.
 mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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L Go in Peace and Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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UPCOMING EVENTS

[Sat. 9/26-Sun. 9/27] 3rd Annual Crafters Marketplace

[Sat. 10/26] Trunk or Treat

[Sat. 11/14] Annual PTO Fall Festival

[Sun. 11/15] Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Feast

[Sun. 11/22] Thanksgiving Meal (Donation Drive)

[Wed. 11/25-11/28] Campus Closed (Thanksgiving)