

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Service Bulletin

Seventh Sunday of Easter

June 1st, 2025

P: Pastor

L: Liturgist

C: Congregation

Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome/Land Acknowledgment/Affirming Statement

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: To you, O God,

C: all hearts are open,

to you all desires known.

We come to you,

confessing our sins.

Forgive us in your mercy,

and remember us in your love.

Show us your ways;

teach us your paths;

and lead us in justice and truth,

for the sake of your goodness

in Jesus Christ our Savior,

Amen.

P: By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of + Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.

APOSTOLIC 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Reading – Acts 16:16-34

Psalm 97

¹ The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the isles be glad.

² **Clouds and darkness surround the Lord,
righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.**

³ Fire goes before the Lord,
burning up enemies on every side.

⁴ **Lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.**

⁵ The mountains melt like wax
before the Lord of all the earth.

⁶ **The heavens declare your righteousness, O Lord,
and all the peoples see your glory.**

⁷ Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!
Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.

⁸ **Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O Lord.**

⁹ For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

¹⁰ **You who love the Lord, hate evil!**

God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

¹¹ Light dawns for the righteous,

and joy for the honest of heart.

¹² **Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,
and give thanks to God's holy name.**

Second Reading – Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

(All who are able, please rise.) Gospel Acclamation – **C: Alleluia. I will not leave you orphaned, says the Lord. I am coming to you. Alleluia. (John 14:18)**

Gospel – John 17:20-26

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED – ELW pg. 105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 107

P: we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

C: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven 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.

The Lord's Prayer– ELW pg. 112

P: Let us pray together.

**C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

Communion (All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion as they feel comfortable. Wine and grape juice (middle of tray) and bread or gluten free options are available. If you are unable to stand, please indicate if you wish to participate from your pew.)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace and Love. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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OSLC Calendar of Events:

June 1, 2025- 9:45 AM- Holy Communion worship service

June 8, 2025- 9:45 AM – **Pentecost Sunday with Bishop Kathy.**

This will be a Service of Holy Communion and Leaving the Building (De-consecration). As this is Pentecost Sunday, we ask that in celebration, you wear some item of red - the liturgical colour for Pentecost.

June 15, 2025- **Please note the following changes to worship times and space:**

As our church will be de-consecrated on June 8th, Council has graciously accepted Grace Anglican Parish's invitation to Our Saviour's Lutheran to use their sanctuary for our worship service on June 15th.

10:30 AM - Explore Worship at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church - kitchen. Lauren Aldred will facilitate the preparation of last week's gatherings.

12:30 PM - Traditional Worship at Grace Anglican Parish. Lauren Aldred will lead this service.

Youth Group: Every Sunday, 5:00-8:00 PM - 2SLGBTQIA+ and Allies Youth Group for ages 15-29.

Church keys: As we prepare to move out of our building, we will need to collect any outstanding keys to the church internal and external doors. All keys must be turned in by **June 16th** unless told otherwise. Please organize with the church office or Joan to turn in your keys.

Office Hours: During the months of May and June, Vic will be working full-time Tuesday through Saturday as office administrator. Please contact by phone to organize access to the church as office hours may vary.

SAVE THE DATE: June 7th, 2025-2-4PM in the church Fellowship Hall: All are invited to attend a gathering for Sharing Memories of Time at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. An opportunity to view photos, share conversation and appies.

Packing Boxes: Let Joan know if you are available to assist with packing a few boxes in preparation for moving day. slpbeek@outlook.com.

Offering Envelopes: Let Joan know if you would like a box of left over envelopes.

Offering / Giving:

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- OSLC website: Canada Helps: [Donate Now - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Prince George \(canadahelps.org\)](https://canadahelps.org) – **Canada Helps will issue a tax receipt directly to you**

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READINGS FOR THE DAY

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FIRST READING – Acts 16:16-34

¹⁶ One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸ She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰ When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹ and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to

adopt or observe." ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³ After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴ Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm

yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³²They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING – Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

¹²"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the

end."

¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

¹⁶"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

¹⁷The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

²⁰The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

²¹The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING - John 17:20-26

C: Glory To You, O Lord

[Jesus prayed:] ²⁰“I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it

known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

P: The gospel of the LORD.

C: Praise to you, O Christ