



June 8-9, 2024  
Pentecost 3

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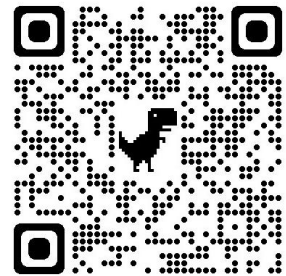
**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** God gathers us through Word and Sacrament to celebrate God's presence and to receive God's gift of grace. God has made us his people through our baptism and keeps us close to him through the preaching of the word and God's presence in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. We give thanks today for the gift of faith God has planted in us, and we depart to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

We extend a special **welcome** to those who are our guests. May God bless this time of worship for you as we are blessed by your presence. If you have no church home we invite you to join with us and consider Our Savior's as your church home. If you are not baptized and would like to talk about baptism as part of your faith journey, please speak with one of the pastors.

**FELLOWSHIP PADS:** We ask everyone to sign and pass the fellowship pad in the pew and return it to the rack when done.

**OFFERING:** No offering is collected during our worship this day; however, we do welcome your support of our ministries and thank you for your gifts. Together we make a difference in the lives of others.

Offering plates are available as you leave the sanctuary. For online giving go to the church website: [oursaviorswestsalem.org/giving](http://oursaviorswestsalem.org/giving). Or text your gift amount to 608-471-7267 and follow the instructions on the response you receive. Or use the QR Code to the right. Thank you for your generosity and support of our work together.



# Order of Worship

\*Please stand as you are able

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

**\*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS** pp 211-212 (*in front of hymnal*)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our  
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from  
you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly  
sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us  
our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and  
things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and  
uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you  
in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in  
sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace we have  
been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.  
Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit,  
that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

*Refrain*

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;  
 for if you lead me, I can - not stray.  
 Lord, let me walk each day with thee.  
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r  
 2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,  
 3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,  
 to help me o - ver my weak - est hour.  
 be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.  
 I am blind with - out . . . thy light to see.

Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see.  
 I am put - ting all . . . my trust in thee.  
 Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.


*Refrain*  
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

\*GREETING page 213 (in front of the hymnal)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**


**\*KYRIE** page 213 (*in front of the hymnal*) - **All Sing Together**



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **Lord, have mer - cy.**  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*



Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **Christ, have mer - cy.**  
*Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:*



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **Lord, have mer - cy.**  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

**\*CANTICLE OF PRAISE** pp 213-215 (*in front of the hymnal*)

*Refrain*




Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

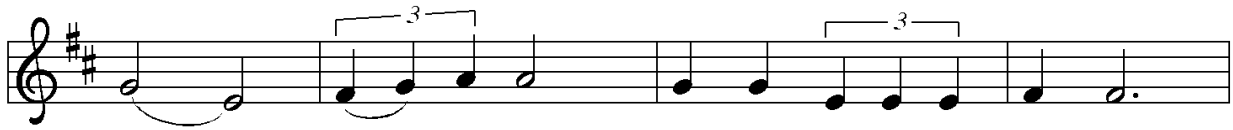
*Refrain*



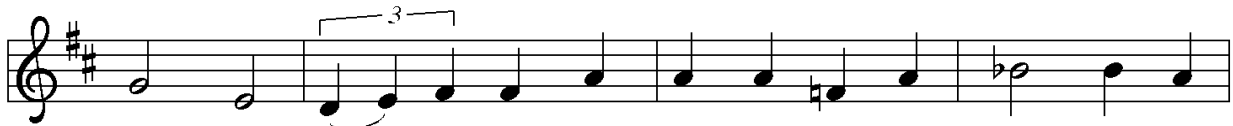
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



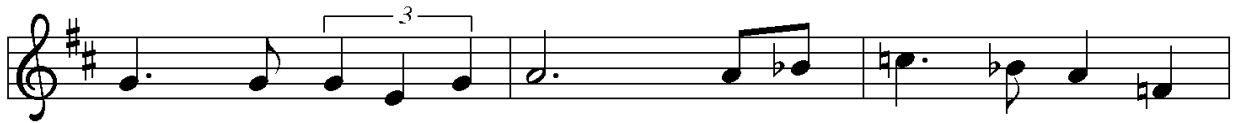
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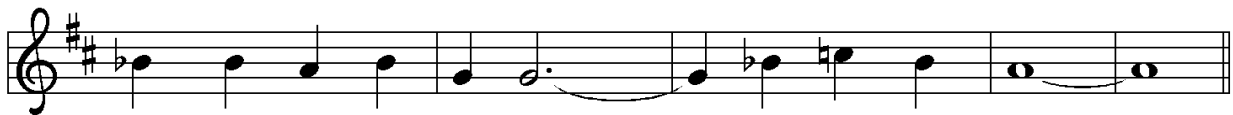
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



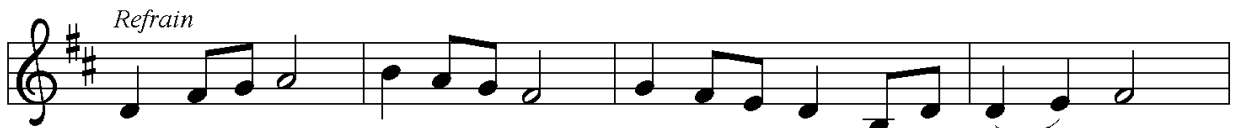
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



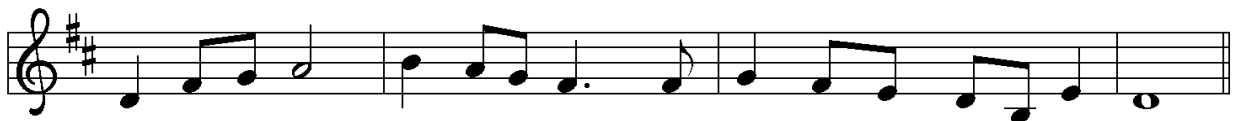
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



*Refrain*  
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on



earth, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

### **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O Lord, Your word is indeed life to us. May we receive it with joy, unencumbered by the concerns of our lives, caring only to hear your invitation of grace: abundant life in your service. Through Jesus we pray, **Amen.**

### **READING** Ephesians 3:14-21

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

#172

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
 - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
 lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

**GOSPEL** Mark 4:1-9 Bishop Malpica

<sup>1</sup>Again he began to teach beside the sea. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the sea and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. <sup>2</sup>He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: <sup>3</sup>Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. <sup>5</sup>Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup>And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. <sup>8</sup>Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold." <sup>9</sup>And he said, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!"

**SERMON**

Bishop Felix Malpica

LaCrosse Area Synod



**\*HYMN**

**"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

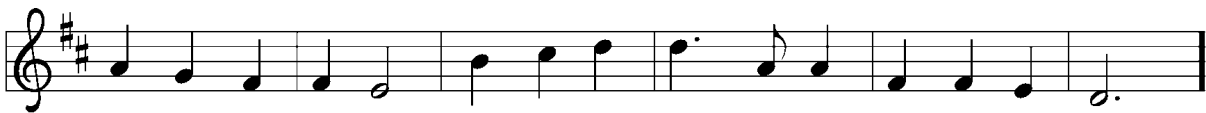
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1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -  
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in  
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Refrain*



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me.

## **\*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**

L: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*(After a brief silence...The **congregation** is invited to read aloud individually the prayer petitions as the spirit moves them. If more than one person reads the petition, all the better!)*

We say we desire to know your will, O Lord, but so often we get in our own way, allowing doubts, cares, and distractions to derail us. Turn us again to the path which leads to life and bring forth your good fruits in us. God of all life,

**Connect us with your love.**

As seeds sown by a hopeful farmer thrive or die according to how they are cultivated, so your creatures—both human and animal—require a stable, enriching environment in which to prosper. May we be part of the solution to problems we have helped cause on this planet, taking responsibility and making amends for the damage we have done. God of all life,

**Connect us with your love.**

We give you thanks for all those who are bold to speak and act on behalf of justice and truth. Continue to raise up new voices for a new era, where difficult truths still need to be spoken. God of all life,

**Connect us with your love.**

From a tiny seed a mighty mustard plant grows. May our kindness be the seeds from which healing springs, as we tenderly care for all your children in need. We lift up this day all who are isolated, alone, and homebound, especially Helen and Judi. May they feel your love and our prayers surrounding them. God of all life,

**Connect us with your love.**

For all the saints who shone their lights rather than hiding them, we give you thanks, O Lord. May we follow their example and share in their heavenly portion. God of all life,

**Connect us with your love.**

L: Into your hands we commend our prayers, nurturing God, knowing that you are trustworthy and will answer. For the sake of Jesus Christ, we pray,

**Amen.**

**\*PEACE**           The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*(Please share a sign of peace with those around you.)*

**\*CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING** page 219 *(in front of the hymnal)*

*Refrain*

Sal - va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for -

ev - er and ev - er. 1 Great and won-der-ful are your deeds, O

God of the u - ni - verse; just and true are your ways, O

Rul - er of all the na-tions. Who can fail to hon-or you, Lord, and

*Refrain*

sing the glo - ry of your name? Sal - va-tion be-longs to our

God and to Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.

2 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, and

bles-sed is the one whose name is the Word of God. All

*Refrain*

praise and thanks to you, ho - ly God! Sal - va-tion be-longs to our

God and to Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.

### **\*THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD**

L: O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **\*LORD'S PRAYER**            page 112 (*in front of the hymnal*)

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

### **\*BLESSING**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon us now and forever. Stay rooted and grounded in God's love.

**Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

**"This Little Light of Mine"**

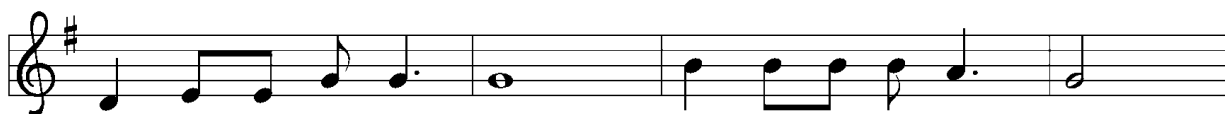
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1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



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ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,  
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,



let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**\*SENDING WORDS**

*(Done from the back of the church)*

L: Open your ears, and hear!

**C: The word of the Lord is calling!**

L: Sowing the seeds of life!

**C: Seeking the rich soil!**

L: Grow! Find life! Love the world!

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

**OUR SAVIOR'S WORSHIP TEAM**

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Eric Sorenson, Senior Choir Director

**WE THANK** Eric Iliff for leading worship this morning. Pastor Jean is attending The LaCrosse Area Synod Assembly this weekend, along with Carla Burkhardt, Jaime Fortier, Jeff & Melissa Haldeman, and Graham Sjoquist. Please pray for all who gather and for the mission and ministries of the Synod.

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP** - A time for fellowship and treats between services on Sundays! Please sign up to bring treats or to serve what others have provided.

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Worship Assistant Welcoming Team	<b>6 p.m.</b> Sophia Sprehn McNaughton Family
Worship Assistant Welcoming Team	<b>8 a.m.</b> <hr/> Stefferdud Family
Worship Assistant Welcoming Team	<b>10 a.m.</b> Camille Zarecki Mike & Joyce Larson
Altar Guild for June	Cindy Averbek/Jaime Fortier

**CARD MINISTRY** - Please be sure to sign the cards for this week's shut-ins, Helen Friell and Judi Rogness. The cards are on the table by the Pre-K/K classroom.

**SENIOR CONNECTION** – Tuesday, June 11 @ Linda's Bakery – 9:30 a.m.



## Hungry Jar Offering for June

### Sugar Creek Bible Camp - General Support

*"Created to Be"*

Faith formation at camp is a way of life lived out in holy play, caring conversations, and intentional time in God's beautiful creation. Faith expressions go beyond worship and Bible study to permeate every aspect of the camp experience. No matter your age, race, or income level, Sugar Creek has a program designed for you, with programming available year-round! Your generous contributions will help provide a camping experience for all who want to attend - no one is turned away.



### *Sugar Creek Bible Campers*

Please keep the following youth who will be attending Camp in **June** in your prayers:

#### June 16-21

Ava Johnsrude  
Mabel Sjoquist

#### June 23-28

Ryland Byom	Jesse Jothen
Will Byom	Quinn Maki
Alise Jothen	Ellie Tlustosch

### SCRIP CARDS AVAILABLE

Help support Our Savior's Sugar Creek Bible Camp Camperships and World Hunger!



Culver's, Kwik Trip, Kwik Trip car wash, Woodman's, and Ship Shape car wash.





## Feed Our Children - Summer Lunch Program

Currently we are looking for donations of Zip Lock baggies (snack and sandwich size), fruit or applesauce cups, ranch dressing, granola bars, and snack items such as goldfish or teddy grahams. Financial contributions are also always welcome – make checks out to Our Savior’s – **note: Feed Our Children.**

If you would like to help prepare the lunches (9:30 am – 12:30 pm), there are sign ups in the Gathering Area or use this link -

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B45ADA928A1FACE9-49671256-summer>

For more information and updates on how you can help support this important ministry, check out the Feed Our Children Summer Lunch Program page on Facebook or email [feedourchildrenws@gmail.com](mailto:feedourchildrenws@gmail.com)

## Let’s get a group together ...



If you would like to be part of a group from Our Savior’s sign up in the Gathering Area and **WE** will order the tickets together. Otherwise, feel free to order your own tickets. To be included in the OSLC ticket block, your **\$15 (per ticket) is due to the church office by Sunday, June 16.**

Check out the June newsletter ([www.oursaviorswestsalem.org](http://www.oursaviorswestsalem.org)) to find out more.