

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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9th Sunday after Pentecost July 26, 2026 Welcome !

It is wonderful to worship with you today !

All are welcome regardless of church affiliation – or no church affiliation – faith tradition – or no faith tradition. And we mean all ! Brown, Black, White, Yellow, young, old, single, married, divorced, gay, straight, republican, democrat, crying babies and screaming toddlers – whatever you are – you will be welcome here. No matter your gifts, abilities or struggles.

All parts of today's worship service are printed in this service bulletin.

Restrooms can be found downstairs.

Feel free to take pictures, videos, post to social media, even during worship - it's OK ! We love sharing God's word and hope you will too !

Parents with small children are welcome to use the church entryway area (through the glass doors) for quiet time. There is a changing table in the Women's bathroom.

Welcome Prayer

please stand if you are able

Gathering Hymn

**1. Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in his bosom gather;
Nesting bird or star in heaven
Such a refuge ne'er was given.**

**2. God his own doth tend and nourish,
In his holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things he spares them,
In his mighty arms he bears them.**

**3. Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord his children sever;
Unto them his grace he showeth,
And their sorrows all he knoweth.**

**4. Though he giveth or he taketh,
God his children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.**

Confession and Forgiveness

please remain standing. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
whose compassion endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection. You may kneel or sit as you able.

All: Compassionate God, we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Pastor: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. Amen.

Greeting

please stand if you are able

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

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray . . . Faithful God, most merciful judge, as we gather today, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: **Amen**

Hymn of Praise

**1. Come, we that love the Lord
And let our joys be known
Join in a song with sweet accord
Join in a song with sweet accord
And thus surround the throne,
And thus surround the throne**

**We're marching to Zion
Beautiful, beautiful Zion
We're marching upward to Zion
The beautiful city of God**

**2. Then let our songs abound,
And every tear be dry;
We're marching through Immanuel's ground,
We're marching through Immanuel's ground,
To fairer worlds on high
To fairer worlds on high**

please be seated

The Ministry of the Word First Lesson

11 Kings 3: 5-12

New Revised Standard Version

Because Solomon did not ask for long life, riches, or the defeat of his enemies, God gave him what he asked for: wisdom to govern the people well. In verse 13 God gives him additional honor and riches beyond compare.

Lector: Let us hear the Word of God

5 At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." 6 And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. 7 And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. 8 And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. 9 Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" 10 It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. 11 God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, 12 I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

Lector: This the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm

Psalms 119: 129-136

Lector: Your decrees are wonderful; therefore my soul keeps them.

All: **The unfolding of your words gives light;
it imparts understanding to the simple.**

Lector: With open mouth I pant, because I long for your commandments.

All: **Turn to me and be gracious to me, as is
your custom toward those who love your
name.**

Lector: Keep my steps steady according to your promise, and never let iniquity have dominion over me.

All: **Redeem me from human oppression, that
I may keep your precepts.**

Lector: Make your face shine upon your servant, and teach me your statutes.

All: **My eyes shed streams of tears because
your law is not kept.**

Second Lesson

Romans 8: 26-39

New Revised Standard Version

These words celebrate the depth of God's actions for us. Through Christ's death for us and the activity of the Spirit praying for us, we are fused to God's love poured out in Jesus Christ. Nothing, not even death itself, is able to separate us from such incredible divine love.

Lector: Let us hear the Word of God

26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. 27 And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. 28 We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. 29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. 31 What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? 32 He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? 33 Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. 35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." 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, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector: This the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Hymn Part 1

please stand if you are able

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
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Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. My word shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. Alleluia.

Reading of the Gospel Lesson

Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

New Revised Standard Version

Throughout Matthew's gospel, Jesus and his disciples proclaim the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near!" Here, Jesus offers several brief parables that explore the implications of this announcement for people's lives.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord**

31 He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; 32 it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." 33 He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." 44 "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. 45 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; 46 on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. 47 "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; 48 when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. 49 So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous 50 and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 51 "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." 52 And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has

been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Gospel Hymn *Part 2*

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

please be seated

Sermon Rev. Danielle McCleary

please stand for the hymn

Hymn of the Day

**1. God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown the ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.**

**2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us,
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us,
free our hearts to love and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.**

**3. Cure thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.**

**4. Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christlike graces,
pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not them nor thee,
that we fail not them nor thee!**

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.**

The Prayers of the Church

*At the end of each petition of the prayer the Assistant
Minister shall say: Merciful God
Please respond with: **Receive our prayer***

*After the Assistant Minister's final petition, the
Pastor invites you to share prayers aloud or from
the silence of your hearts*

at the end of the prayers

Pastor: We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you
Oh Faithful God, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord
Amen.

Sharing of Peace

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always

All: **And also with you**

*With a smile and a wave, a handshake or hug,
we greet one another
with a sign of God's peace.*

Offering

An offering is collected for the ministries and mission of our congregation. You may also give online, use the QR code below



Offertory

*Sung by congregation
as the gifts are presented at the altar*

Please stand if you are able

**Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring
To place upon your table.
We do not worship as we ought,
But only as we're able.**

**Our hopes our dreams, our toils and cares
We lift in prayer before you.
Lord, by your grace now come to us,
As humbly we adore you.**

Offering Prayer

AM: Let us pray . . . O Mighty One

All: Accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving *spoken*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Pastor: Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world,
you sent your Son to heal our ills
and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness
of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.
Remembering, therefore,
his acts of healing,
his body given up,
and his victory over death,
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.
Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,
so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the
earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life,
your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.
Amen

Pastor: As God's children, we boldly pray:

The Lord's Prayer

**All: 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

Pastor: Come to the table of new life and receive the risen Lord.

All: **Amen.**

*please
remain standing for the singing
of the Agnus Dei*

Agnus Dei *sung*

All: **Lamb of God**
You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us

O - Lamb of God
You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us

Lamb of God
You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us

O - Lamb of God
You Take away the sin of the world
Grant us - Grant us - Your peace

please be seated

The Holy Communion

Instructions for receiving
Holy Communion

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion;
children and those of other faiths are invited
to share the bread and a blessing.*

*Communion will be distributed in this fashion:
Please come to the front of the church to receive
the bread from the Pastor.*

*If you are seated on the **right** side of the church
please go to the **right** side communion rail.*

*If you are seated on the **left**
side go to the **left** side communion rail.
The Assistant Minister will follow with the cup.
Please dip your wafer into the wine when prompted.*

Communion Hymn

**1. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.**

**2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with Thee I will one will,
To do and to endure.**

**3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with Thy fire divine.**

**4. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of Thine eternity.**

*When all have returned to their seats,
the congregation will please stand*

Post-Communion Blessing

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: **Amen**

Post-Communion Canticle

All: **For the bread which you have broken,
For the wine which you have poured,
For the words which you have spoken,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.**

**In your service, Lord, defend us;
In our hearts keep watch and ward,
In the world to which you send us
Let your kingdom come, O Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

AM: Let us pray, God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

All: **Amen**

please be seated

Congregational Announcements

please stand for the Benediction and Closing Hymn

Benediction

Pastor: May the Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, + one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

All: **Amen**

Closing Hymn

**1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear;
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

AM: The worship has ended, the service now begins.
Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**



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9th Sunday after Pentecost July 26, 2026

Today - July 26, 2026
Pentecost 9 Sunday
Worship
Worship

9:00 AM
11:00 AM

Sunday - August 2, 2026
Pentecost 10 Sunday
Worship
Worship

9:00 AM
11:00 AM

Worship - Online Worship Package - every Sunday at 12:00 Noon

Every Sunday at Noon we will continue to post our on-line worship service - it is NOT a live version of our Sunday worship, but a different experience tailored to watching and interacting at home. Thousands watch every week - watch it - share it - like it - comment!

These 30 minute worship videos are found on the church Facebook page, the church's YouTube channel or by going to the church web site and clicking on the button on the bottom right of the home page that says "Watch Live"

These videos are archived and can be watched 24/7.

We will no longer be showing worship live from the church building on a Sunday morning.

Arrivals and Departures . . .

Free Parking ~ Every Sunday
Available on the south side of 90th Avenue from 175 Street to 178 Street. You MUST display a yellow parking permit. To get a permit ask an usher - they are FREE!

Hand sanitizers are available in the entryway and in the bathrooms.



Contact Us . . .

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For any questions or concerns regarding the worship assistants schedule, please reach out to Leah Singh at 917-306-0098



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Worship Committee Meeting

Do you have ideas about worship?

Do you have an interest in planning
special services?

Do you have musical talents that you
would like to share?

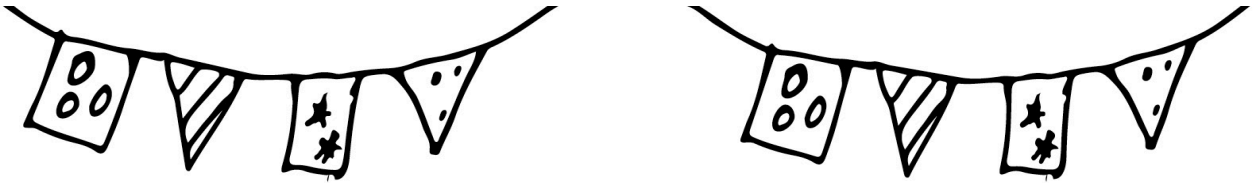
You're invited to join us here on

August 18, 2026

7:00 PM



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Our Saviour Lutheran End-of-Summer Cookout

**Cunningham Park
September 12, 2026
4 PM - 7 PM**

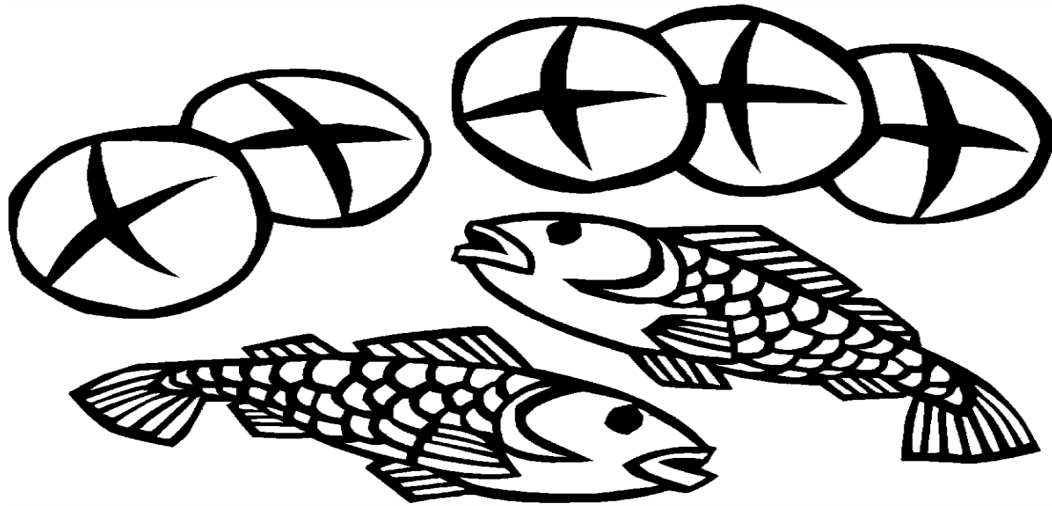
**Mark your calendars now and prepare for
an evening of food, fun, fellowship!**

More details to come.





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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
July 26, 2026

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

Welcome !

If you are joining us for the first time today or if your personal information has changed, please use this tear-off card to help us keep in touch with you and let you know of all the great things happening at Our Saviour Lutheran Church.

My Name _____

Address _____

Apartment _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail address _____

This is my:

- ☐ 1st time at worship
☐ 2nd time at worship

I would like more information on:

- ☐ Becoming a Member
☐ Baptizing my child
☐ I would like a Pastor to call
☐ Other _____

I am asking the church to pray for the following person or reason

- ☐ I would like these prayers to be kept confidential
- ☐ I would like these prayers to be added to the church prayer list to be read next Sunday morning during worship
(Names will be included for one week)

Please tear off this card and either

- place it in the offering plate
- give it to an usher



Our Saviour Lutheran Church

90-04 175th Street
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The Perfect church . . . for those who aren't !

This year marks our 103rd year of ministry in Queens. Organized in 1923, Our Saviour Lutheran Church includes people from 26 nations of origin, gathered together to celebrate in Word and Sacrament the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to root our hope in the power of the Good News.

As a people who have been touched by God's love in Jesus Christ, we respond by giving our lives in friendship and service.

We are: A Joyful people !
 A Diverse people !
 Gathered for worship !
 Scattered for ministry !

Welcome !

Worship Schedule

Worship every Sunday
9:00 AM ~ 11:00 AM

For more information
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