

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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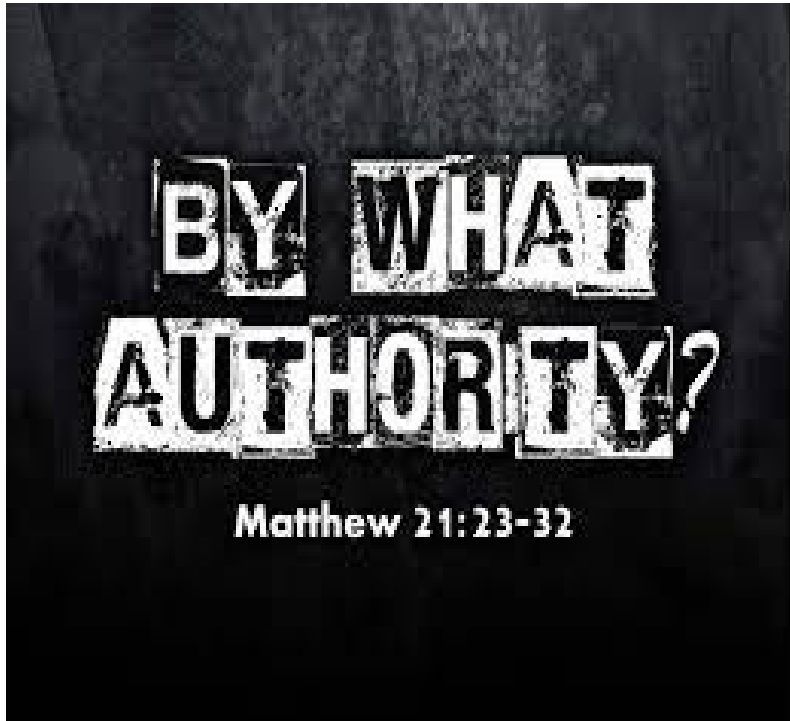
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18th Sunday after Pentecost Septemeber 27, 2026 Welcome !

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. God of our life, all glorious Lord,
Be now and evermore adored!
Into the opening of this day
Bring grace and love and peace, we pray.
2. Make clear our path, that we may see
Where we must walk to be with thee
And ever listen for thy voice,
That we may make thy way our choice.
3. Give us thy help in ev'ry task,
Nor let us fail of thee to ask
For grace in speech, for love in deed,
From wrongful actions to be freed.
4. At eventide then will we raise
A grateful heart in songs of praise,
And worship thee and thy dear Son
With God the Spirit, ever one.

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,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.
Amen.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through
faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

**All: Compassionate God, we confess that we
struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love
to others.**

**Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Pastor: Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through + Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
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 . . . God of love, giver of life,
you know our frailties and failings. As we gather
today, give us your grace to overcome them, keep
us from those things that harm us, and guide us
in the way of salvation, through 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**

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

please be seated

The Ministry of the Word

Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-32

New Revised Standard Version

*Ezekiel challenges those who think they cannot
change because of what their parents were and
did, or who think they cannot turn from their
wicked ways. God insistently invites people to
turn and live.*

Lector: Let us hear the Word of God

1 The word of the Lord came to me: 2 What do you
mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of
Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the chil-
dren's teeth are set on edge"? 3 As I live, says the Lord
God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel.
4 Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as
well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person
who sins that shall die.

25 Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear
now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your
ways that are unfair? 26 When the righteous turn away
from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall
die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they
shall die. 27 Again, when the wicked turn away from the
wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful
and right, they shall save their life.

28 Because they considered and turned away from all
the transgressions that they had committed, they shall
surely live; they shall not die. 29 Yet the house of Israel
says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel,
are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of
you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent
and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity
will be your ruin. 31 Cast away from you all the trans-
gressions that you have committed against me, and get
yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you
die, O house of Israel? 32 For I have no pleasure in the
death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm

Psalm 25: 1-9

Lector: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

All: O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Lector: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

All: Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

Lector: Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

All: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Lector: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

All: Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

Lector: He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All: Amen.

Second Lesson

Philippians 2: 1-13

New Revised Standard Version

As part of a call for harmony rather than self-seeking, Paul uses a very early Christian hymn that extols the selflessness of Christ in his obedient death on the cross. Christ's selfless perspective is to be the essential perspective we share as the foundation for Christian accord.

1 If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, 2 make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. 5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, 7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born

in human likeness. And being found in human form, 8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. 9 Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

12 Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

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

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia. My Sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;
I know them and they follow me. Alleluia.**

Reading of the Gospel Lesson

Matthew 21: 23-32

New Revised Standard Version

After driving the moneychangers out of the temple Jesus begins teaching there. His authority is questioned by the religious leaders, who are supposed to be in charge of the temple.

All: Glory to you, O Lord

23 When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" 24 Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. 25 Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?'

26 But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." 27 So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

28 "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' 29 He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. 30 The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. 31 Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. 32 For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

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. Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go,
1. O Master, let me walk with you
In lowly paths of service true;
Tell me your secret; help me to bear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.**

**2. Help me the slow of heart to move
By some clear, winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay
And guide them in the homeward way.**

**3. Teach me your patience; share with me
A closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
In trust that triumphs over wrong.**

**4. In hope that sends a shining ray
Far down the future's broad'ning way,
In peace that only you can give;
With you, O Master, let me live.**

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: God of creation, you send rain and
the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings
are from you; make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service
to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.
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: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
From age to age your creation sings your praises.
You feed even the birds of the air,
and you clothe the fields with lilies.
You gave your blessing to Abraham and his descendants,
and you spoke with Moses, Elijah, and David.
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

You fulfilled your covenant with us in Jesus.
He is Emmanuel, your beloved Son,
the star that guides us to wisdom,
the treasure hidden in a field.
He is the landowner who overpays the workers,
the judge who separates good from evil.
Blessed are you, Lord our God.
For us he lived, for us he died, for us he rose to eternal
life.
Then and now he invites us to your banquet.

On the night in which he was betrayed, he 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 sins
Do this for the remembrance of me.

We hear his call, we repent our ways,
and we enter with joy into the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

Send your Holy Spirit here on your gathered disciples.
Make of this meal the body and blood of forgiveness.
Heal us and grant us your righteousness,
that we may love you and serve our neighbors.
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

Blessed are you,
our Creator in heaven,
the Rock on which we build,
the Dove leading us all.
We worship you and sing our praises,
today and to the end of the age.
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: Christ invites all to the table. Come and receive the Risen Lord. **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, Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

All: Amen

please be seated

Congregational Announcements

please stand for the Benediction and Closing Hymn

Benediction

Pastor: May the Lord bless you and keep you, may the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his face to you and give you peace. In the name of the + Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

All: Amen

Closing Hymn

**1. Take the name of Jesus with you,
Child of sorrow and of woe;
It will joy and comfort give you,
Take it then wher-e'er you go.**

**Precious name -- O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heav'n;
Precious name -- O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heav'n.**

**2. Take the name of Jesus ever,
As a shield from every snare;
If temptations round you gather,
Breathe that holy name in prayer.**

**3. O the precious name of Jesus !
How it thrills our souls with joy,
When his loving arms receive us,
And his songs our tongues employ.**

**4. At the name of Jesus bowing,
Falling prostrate at his feet,
King of kings in heav'n we'll crown him,
When our journey is complete.**

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

All: Thanks be to God



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18th Sunday after Pentecost September 27, 2026

**Today - September 27, 2026
Pentecost 18 Sunday**

**Worship
Worship Leadership Training**

**10:00 AM
11:00 AM**

**Sunday - October 4, 2026
Pentecost 19 Sunday
Worship**

10:00 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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Worship Leadership Training

September 27th

New to serving or have been doing it for years, this training's for you. We'll dig into the practical stuff: reading Scripture with confidence, ushering with warmth and purpose, assisting in ministry, and new changes to the roles, plus the heart behind it all: helping people feel welcomed into God's presence. Come as you are, ready to learn and grow.

Join us following worship on Sunday, September 27th.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

It's time to plan for Harvest Sunday!



Our annual Harvest Sunday will be held on **November 15, 2026**.
To prepare for this day of abundance, join us for a Harvest planning meeting on **October 11, 2026** following worship.



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19th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 4, 2026

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

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



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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 !

Bend and tear off along this line

Worship Schedule

Worship every Sunday
10:00 AM

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