

# OLSBURG/WALSBURG LUTHERAN CHURCHES

*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*Sunday, August 2, 2026*

# All ate and were filled

**MATTHEW 14:20**



Olsburg Lutheran Church  
PO Box 128  
Olsburg, KS 66520  
Worship 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Mission Statement:  
Become Disciples,  
Live as Disciples,  
Make Disciples in Christ Jesus

Walsburg Lutheran Church  
12351 Union Road  
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Church phone (785) 293-5367  
Mission Statement:  
More disciples living more faithfully by the  
power of the Holy Spirit.

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YOU ARE WELCOME AMONG US! Whether this is your first time worshiping with us or whether you have worshiped with us many times, we are grateful that we can worship together. We pray that God will bless your worship and strengthen you for the week ahead.

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

## **GATHERING**

### **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Compassionate God,

**C: 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.**

P: 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, Creator, † Teacher, and Friend, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

**C: Amen.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

**How Great Thou Art**

**ELW 856**

# How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der con - sid - er  
2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to  
4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y  
birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur - den glad - ly  
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

## *Refrain*



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

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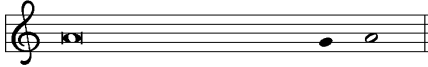
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## \*GREETING

P: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

C: And also with you!

## \*KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

# \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

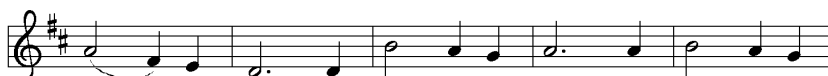


strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

P: Glorious God,

**C: your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **WORD**

### **FIRST READING: ISAIAH 55:1-5**

Hear, everyone who thirsts;  
    come to the waters;  
and you who have no money,  
    come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
    without money and without price.  
Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread  
    and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
    and delight yourselves in rich food.  
Incline your ear, and come to me;  
    listen, so that you may live.  
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
    my steadfast, sure love for David.  
See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
    a leader and commander for the peoples.  
Now you shall call nations that you do not know,  
    and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
    for he has glorified you.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM: 145:8-9, 14-21**

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,  
    **slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

LORD, you are good to all,  
    **and your compassion is over all your works.**

The Lord upholds all those who fall  
**and lifts up those who are bowed down.**

The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,  
**and you give them their food in due season.**

You open wide your hand  
**and satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

You are righteous in all your ways  
**and loving in all your works.**

You are near to all who call upon you,  
**to all who call upon you faithfully.**

You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;  
**you hear their cry and save them.**

You watch over all those who love you,  
**but all the wicked you shall destroy.**

My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;  
**let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.**

## **SECOND READING: ROMANS 9:1-5**

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*GOSPEL

P: The holy gospel according to Matthew 14:13-21

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish."

And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P: The Gospel of our God

**C: Praise to you O Christ.**

## SERMON

\*HYMN OF THE DAY Break Now The Bread of Life

ELW 515

## Break Now the Bread of Life



1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you  
2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you  
3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page  
blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,  
word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live



I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.  
all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!  
with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt.  
Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

## \*APOSTLES' CREED

P: United as the body of Christ, let us profess our faith:

**C: 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 OF THE PEOPLE**

P: With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church,  
those in need, and all of God's creation.

P: Merciful God,

**C: Receive our prayer.**

P: Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All  
this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE (WALSBURG)**

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always!

**C: And also with you!**

*Please share the sign of peace with one another. The peace can be shared  
with a handshake, peace sign, a wave, etc.*

## **OUR OFFERING**

**\*OFFERING SONG**

**Here Is Bread**

**ELW 483**



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, he is with us.  
3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us, he is with us.



Break the bread, taste the wine, Christ is with us here.  
Know his grace, find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.  
We'll pro - claim till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.



In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is life for - ev - er.



In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it, Christ is with us here.

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

P: Loving God,

**C: we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

## MEAL

### Communion Invitation

*Welcome to Holy Communion! Christ, who is present in bread and wine offering forgiveness and life with God, invites you to eat and drink in this Sacred Meal. To receive the bread, extend an open palm to the server and the bread will be placed in your hand. For those who prefer grape juice instead of wine, glasses of grape juice are located in the inner circle of the tray. If you desire to receive Communion in your seat, inform the usher. Adults and children who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.*

## \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: God be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

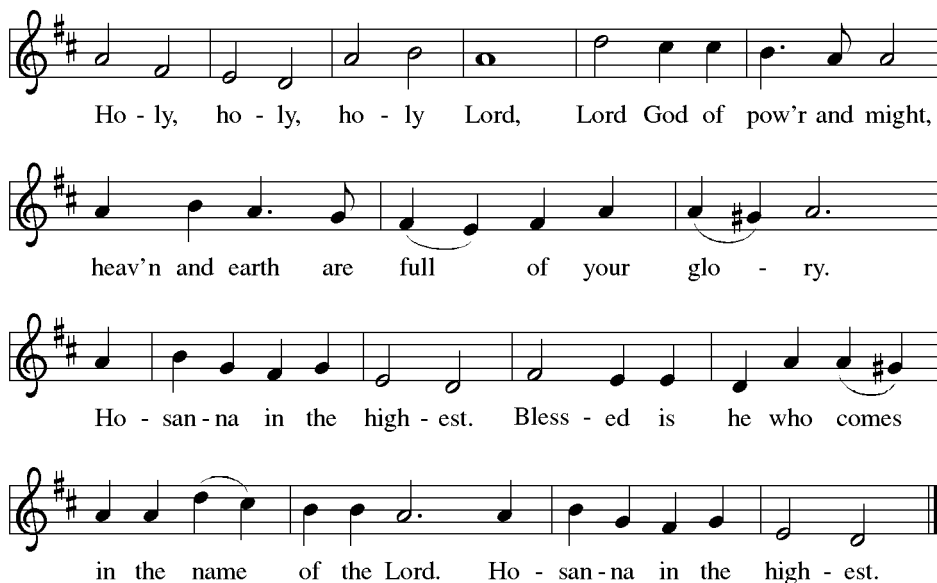
**C: We lift them to God.**

P: Let us give thanks to our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## \*HOLY HOLY HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: 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.

## **\*LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

## **\*LAMB OF GOD**



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

Invitation Response (sung): **Eat This Bread**      **WOV 709**

### Eat This Bread *Jesus Christ, Bread of Life*

*Refrain*



“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.  
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”  
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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## \*BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P: Now may the body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and grant you God's grace and peace.

**C: Amen.**

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Compassionate God,

**C: through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask**

this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

## **SENDING**

### **\*BLESSING**

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

**C: Threefold Amen (sung.)**

### **\*SENDING SONG**

**O Zion, Haste**

**ELW 668**

## O Zion, Haste



1 O Zi - on, haste, your mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,  
2 Pub - lish to ev - 'ry peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion  
3 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere you meet him,



to tell to all the world that God is light;  
that God, in whom they live and move, is love;  
make known to ev - 'ry heart his sav - ing grace;

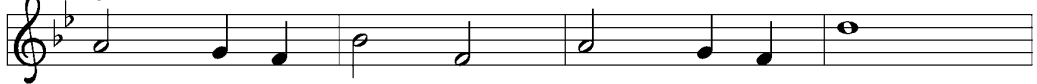


that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing  
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion  
let none whom he has ran - somed fail to greet him,



one soul should per - ish, lost in shades of night.  
and died on earth that we might live a - bove.  
through your ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

### *Refrain*



Pub - lish glad tid - ings, tid - ings of peace,



tid - ings of Je - sus, re - demp-tion, and re - lease.

Text: Mary A. Thomson, 1834–1923

Music: ANGELIC SONGS, James Walch, 1837–1901

## **\*DISMISSAL**

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**

### **Olsburg Announcements**

We thank Pastor Laura Burnett for leading worship today!

Council is scheduled to meet August 12 at 7:00 p.m.

If you need Pastoral Care during this time, please contact Shelly at 785-532-9853 or ShellyBurklund@outlook.com and I will put you in contact with the correct person for each church. Thank you. Questions or concerns may be directed to your council members.

Blessing of the Backpacks is scheduled for August 16th. All who are heading back to school are invited to bring their backpacks to church Sunday August 16th for a special blessing.

There is a meeting scheduled to discuss plans for our annual Swedish Supper on Wednesday, August 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Please plan on attending and sharing your thoughts and ideas.

It's that time of year again - we are collecting items for Lutheran World Relief school kits. Each kit requires:

- FOUR** 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper
- ONE** 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters and inches
- ONE** pencil sharpener
- ONE** pair of **blunt** scissors
- FIVE** unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- FIVE** black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- ONE** box of 16 or 24 crayons
- ONE** 2 ½" eraser

Items may be left in the box in the narthex.

## **Walsburg Announcements**

We thank Pastor Laura Burnett for leading worship today!

Walsburg will host the Leonardville Nursing Home service today at 2 p.m. We thank Jan Cooper for joining Ruthie, Tracy and Rhonda to bring the message and offer communion to our senior friends.

Walsburg council will meet Wednesday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m.

If you need Pastoral Care during this time, please contact Shelly at 785-532-9853 or [ShellyBurklund@outlook.com](mailto:ShellyBurklund@outlook.com) and I will put you in contact with the correct person for each church. Thank you. Questions or concerns may be directed to your council members.

WELCA will meet Thursday, August 13. Quilting from 10:00 A.M.-Noon. The WELCA Meeting begins at 1:30 P.M. Program will be "Balancing Unity and Diversity". Leader will be Linda Toomire. Hostess scheduled is Marlene Jenkins.

Blessing of the Backpacks is scheduled for August 16th. All who are heading back to school are invited to bring their backpacks to church Sunday August 16th for a special blessing.

The Walsburg Annual Ice Cream Social is quickly approaching! Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 23. Sign-ups for food donations and volunteer work times will be available in the Narthex starting Sunday, August 2. Any and all help is appreciated!

The Monthly "Gather" Bible Study will meet Wednesday, August 19. Quilting starts at 10:00 A.M., followed by Bible Study at 1:30 P.M. Leader will be Jane Larson. Hostess will be Linda Toomire.

A Quilting Day will be held Wednesday, August 26. We will begin at 9:00 A.M. Come when you can stay, as long as you like. Please bring a snack to share and a sack lunch.

The August WELCA project is The Homestead Ministry, providing housing, hope, and holistic healing to adult female sex trafficking survivors since 2011. With homes located in Manhattan and Salina, each location can provide housing for up to six women at a time. Homestead provides a safe

space where survivors can rebuild their lives through education, job apprenticeships, professional counseling, mentorship, health care and Bible studies. The *Noisy Offering* will be received on Sunday, August 30.

Food Basket Shopping List: clothes soap, dish soap, toilet paper; spaghetti sauce, canned chicken, jelly (grape/strawberry), canned fruit (peaches, pineapple), applesauce cups or jars, pancake mix and syrup. Your support is very much appreciated! Rhonda