

Psummer Psalms



**TRUST IN
THE ONE
WHO MADE
ALL THINGS**

**DON'T TRUST IN WHAT YOUR
HANDS HAVE MADE**

Thursday, August 17, & Sunday, August 20, 2023

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PSALMS (BOOKS FOUR AND FIVE)

Worship in a traditional order drawing from the Psalms, Books Four (90-106) and Five (107-150).

Opening Song

We Bow Down



1. You are _ Lord of cre - a - - tion and Lord of my _ life, Lord of the land .
 2. You are _ King of cre - a - - tion and King of my _ life, King of the land .



_ and the _ sea. You were _ Lord of the heav - - ens be - fore there was _
 _ and the _ sea. You were _ King of the heav - - ens be - fore there was _



time, and Lord of all lords You will be. We bow _ down _____
 time, and King of all kings You will be. We bow _ down _____



_ and we wor - ship You, _ Lord. We bow _ down _____ and we wor - ship You, _
 _ and we crown You the _ King. We bow _ down _____ and we crown You the _



Lord. We bow _ down _____ and we wor - ship You, _____
 King. We bow _ down _____ and we crown You the _____



Lord. Lord of all lords You will be! _____
 King. King of all kings You will be! _____

Invocation (based on Psalms 107:31-32a,35)

P: Let us give thanks to the LORD for His loyal love,
and for the amazing things He has done for people.

C: Let us exalt Him here in the assembly of the people.

P: This is what He has done for you, His people:
He turned a desert into a pool of water, and a dry land into springs of water.
He has washed you clean in the water of your baptism:
In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. Let us exalt Him here in the assembly of the people. Amen.

Psalm of Praise (Based on Psalm 107:35) See, the Streams of Living Waters LSB 648 st. 2

2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, Spring - ing from e -
ter - nal love, Well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters And all
fear of want re - move. Who can faint while such a riv - er
Ev - er will their thirst as - suage? Grace, which like the
Lord, the giv - er, Nev - er fails from age to age.



Confession of Sins (based on Psalm 90:1-3a,7-9,12-14)

P: O Lord, You have been our protector through all generations. Even before the mountains came into existence, or You brought the world into being,

C: You were the eternal God.

P: You make humans return to the dust. Yes, we are consumed by Your anger;

C: we are terrified by Your wrath.

P: You are aware of our sins;

C: You even know about our hidden sins

P: Yes, throughout all our days we experience Your raging fury;
the years of our lives pass quickly, like a sigh.

So teach us to consider our mortality,

C: so that we might live wisely, seeking forgiveness through Your Son.

P: Turn back toward us, O LORD,

C: in grace because of the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

P: How long must this suffering last? Have mercy on Your servants.

C: Satisfy us in the morning with Your loyal love.

Then we will shout for joy and be content all our days.

P: We pause in the presence of the Lord

C: Remembering our sins and our need for the Lord's forgiveness.

(silent meditation)

Absolution (Declaration of Forgiveness) (based on Psalms 111:1-4,9; 116:16-18)

P: Give thanks to the LORD with your whole heart,
here in the assembly of the congregation.

The LORD's deeds are great, eagerly awaited by all who desire them.

His work is majestic and glorious, and His faithfulness endures forever.

He does amazing things that will be remembered;

the LORD is merciful and compassionate.

He delivered you, His people, through the work of His Son, Jesus Christ,
who keeps His covenant forever on your behalf.

Therefore, in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all
your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Yes, LORD! We are indeed Your servants;

You saved us from death.

We will present a thank offering to You, and call on the name of the LORD.

We will fulfill our vows to the LORD before all His people,

trusting always in the saving work of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Spoken Prayer (based on Psalm 116)

Recording (Alex Williams)

Song of Praise (based on Psalm 116)

Recording (Alex Williams)

Praise to the Son
Who tasted death for me
I was swayed by the wind of darkness
Jesus saved me

God of justice
God of grace
I fall into Your hands
Surrendering all
You have my faith
Deny me desires that offend Your love
Lord, have mercy

I praise You
Merciful King
For showing me
Compassion

I praise You
Merciful King
For showing me
Compassion
Convict my heart
I ask of Thee
Remember me
Merciful King

Praise to the Lord
My Father and my King
How can I be Your child and be poor?
You're all I need

I praise You
Merciful King
For showing me
Compassion

This Week's Reading

Psalm 115 (Passion Translation)

L: ¹ God, glorify your name!

Yes, your name alone be glorified, not ours.

For you are the one who loves us passionately, and you are faithful and true.

**C: Not unto to us, not to us,
But to Your Name above,
Bring glory for Your faithfulness and for Your steadfast love.**

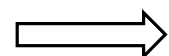
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L: ² Why should the unbelievers mock us, saying,

“Where is this God of yours?”

³ But we know our God rules from the heavens
and he takes delight in all that he does.

**C: Not unto to us, not to us,
But to Your Name above,
Bring glory for Your faithfulness and for Your steadfast love.**



L: ⁴ The unbelievers worship what they make—their wealth and their work.
⁵⁻⁸ They idolize what they own and what they make with their hands,
but their things can't talk to them or answer their prayers.
Their possessions will never satisfy.
Their futile faith in dead idols and dead works
can never bring life or meaning to their souls.
Blind men can only create blind things.
Those deaf to God can only make a deaf image.
Dead men can only create dead idols.
And everyone who trusts in these powerless, dead things
will be just like what they worship—powerless and dead.
⁹ So trust in the Lord, all his people.
For he is the only true hero, the wrap-around God who is our shield!
¹⁰ You, his priests, trust in the Lord.
For he is the only true hero, God-wrapped-around-us as our shield.
¹¹ Yes, all his lovers who bow before him, trust in the Lord.
For he is our only true hero, God-wrapped-around-us as our shield.

**C: Not unto to us, not to us,
But to Your Name above,
Bring glory for Your faithfulness and for Your steadfast love.**

L: ¹² The Lord will never forget us in our need; he will bless us indeed!
He will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron, his priest.
¹³ Yes! He will bless his lovers who bow before him, no matter who they are.
¹⁴⁻¹⁵ God himself will fill you with more.
Blessings upon blessings will be heaped upon you
and upon your children from the maker of heaven and earth,
the very God who made you!
¹⁶ The heavens belong to our God; they are his alone,
but he has given us the earth and put us in charge.
¹⁷⁻¹⁸ Dead people cannot praise the Lord, but we can!
Those who sink to the silence of the grave can no longer give glory to God,
but we can! So let's praise the Lord!
Let's begin now and let it go on until eternity is done.
Hallelujah, and praise the Lord!

**C: Not unto to us, not to us,
But to Your Name above,
Bring glory for Your faithfulness and for Your steadfast love.**

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Collect (Prayer of the Day)

P: Let us pray. God, Almighty and True, You redeemed Israel from the worship of false gods. Redeem Your people in every age, including us, from the pursuit of all that is worthless and untrue. May we always give You the glory—not ourselves—for all that is good and faithful and true. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

C: Amen.

Hymn of the Day *We Trust in Your Our Shield and Defender*

Tune: LSB 752



1 We trust in you, our shield and our de - fen - der; we do not
2 We trust in you, O cap - tain of sal - va - tion— in your dear
3 We go in faith, our own great weak - ness feel - ing, and need - ing



fight a - lone a - gainst the foe: strong in your strength, safe in your
name, all oth - er names a - bove: Je - sus, our righ - teous - ness, our
more each day your grace to know; yet from our hearts a song of



keep - ing ten - der, we trust in you, and in your name we
sure foun - da - tion, our prince of glor - y and our king of
tri - umph peal - ing, “We trust in you, and in your name we



go; strong in your strength, safe in your keep - ing ten - der
love; Je - sus, our righ - teous - ness, our sure foun - da - tion,
go;” yet from our hearts a song of tri - umph peal - ing,



we trust in you, and in your name we go.
our prince of glor - y and our king of love.
“We trust in you, and in your name we go.”

Sermon

Confession of Faith (Based on Psalm 145:1-5,7-9,13-17,19,21) (spoken in unison)

We will extol You, our God, O King.

We will praise Your name continually.

Every day we will praise You.

We will praise Your name continually.

The LORD is great and certainly worthy of praise.

No one can fathom his greatness:

His Creation of All, His Redemption of All,

His Spirit-led transformation of All who believe.

One generation will praise Your deeds to another,
and tell about Your mighty acts.

We will focus on Your honor and majestic splendor and amazing deeds.

We will talk about the fame of Your great kindness, and sing about Your justice.

The LORD is merciful and compassionate;

He is patient and demonstrates great loyal love.

The LORD is good to all, and has compassion on all He has made.

Your kingdom is an eternal kingdom,
and Your dominion endures through all generations.

The LORD supports all who fall, and lifts up all who are weighed down by sin.

Everything looks to You in anticipation,
and You provide them with what they need.

You open Your hand, and fill every living thing with the food it desires.

The LORD is just in all His actions, and exhibits love in all He does.

He satisfies the desire of his loyal followers;

He hears their cry for help and delivers them.

Our mouths will praise the LORD.

Let all who live praise His holy name forever. Amen.

Offering & Prayer Requests

In addition to the prayer requests already received, Pastor will pause here to see if there are additional requests. Prayers can be thanksgivings, joy, requests for yourself, or requests for others.



Offertory (Based on Psalm 145) Be Present in Our Church, O Lord

LSB 775, alt.

(we join in singing as the offerings are brought forward to the altar)



Be pres - ent in our church, O Lord; Be here and
ev - 'ry - where a - dored; Thy crea - tures bless, and
grant that we May feast in par - a - dise with Thee.

Prayers of the Church (Based on Psalm 103:1-5a,6,8,13-14,17a,19,22)

P: Praise the LORD, O my soul.

With all that is within you, praise His holy name.

C: Praise the LORD, O my soul.

P: Do not forget all His kind deeds.

He is the one who forgives all your sins,

C: who heals all our diseases,

P: who delivers your life from the Pit,

C: who crowns us with His loyal love and compassion,

P: who satisfies your life with good things,

(...Pastor offers thanksgivings...)

As the psalm declares: The LORD does what is fair,
and executes justice for all the oppressed.

C: The LORD is compassionate and merciful;

P: He is patient and demonstrates great loyal love.

(...Pastor prays for the world and the nation...)

As the psalm declares: As a father has compassion on his children,

C: so the LORD has compassion on His faithful followers.

P: For He knows what we are made of; He realizes we are made of clay.

C: But the Lord continually shows loyal love to His faithful followers,

P: *(...Pastor prays for specific needs...)*

As the psalm declares: The Lord has established His throne in heaven;

C: His kingdom extends over everything.

P: All of His Creation, praise the Lord;

C: in all the regions of His kingdom, may His praise be heard.

Praise the Lord, O my soul. Amen.

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

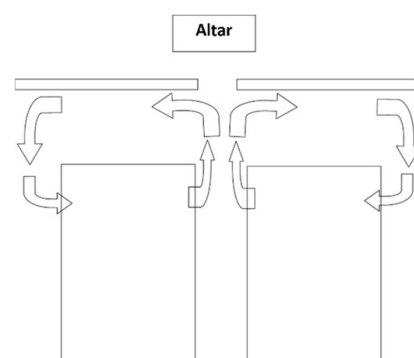
All Christians who are baptized and have been instructed are invited to receive Communion with us if you believe as we do—that the bread is the body of Christ, and the wine is the blood of Christ, truly present for us for the forgiveness of our sins.

If this is a new teaching to you, or if this is different than you believe, we ask that you wait to commune until we've had a further chance to talk. We invite those who are not communing to come to the rail, cross your arms, and receive a blessing from the Lord.



Communion Distribution

- Pastor distributes the bread, and the Elders distribute the wine—with individual cups or common cup. The individual trays also contain alcohol-removed wine in the center of each tray in the purple cups.
- Each side will be ushered from the center aisle to the communion rail, row by row, starting with the front. Go to the rail on your side of the sanctuary, filling in starting with the outside wall towards the center.
- Once you have received the elements, you may remain at the rail for prayer and leave at your own pace. Return to your seat using the outside aisle.
- Use the distribution time to prepare yourself for communion, sing the hymns as prayers to God, and maintain this as meditative time.



Preface of the Lord's Supper (based on Psalms 126:1-2a,3-4; 104:30-31a,33a)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: When the LORD restored the well-being of His people through Jesus Christ,

C: we thought we were dreaming.

P: We laughed loudly, surprised by His kindness, and we shouted for joy.

C: The LORD did indeed accomplish great things for us.

P: We are joyfully at peace.

**C: O LORD, restore our well-being,
just like You renew the streams in the desert.**

P: When You sent Your life-giving breath,

C: we were created.

P: When You sent Your life-giving Holy Spirit,

C: we were re-created.

P: May the splendor of the LORD endure.

C: We will sing to the LORD as long as I live. Amen.

Sanctus (based on Psalm 103)

Video (Poor Bishop Hooper)

bless the Lord oh my soul
let all that's within me bless the Lord

don't forget His benefits who forgives all your sin
who heals your diseases, who pulls you up from the pit
who crowns with lovingkindness and compassion
who satisfies oh satisfies you

slow to anger and abounding in love
He hasn't dealt with our offense as our sins would deserve
for as high as the heavens are above the earth
so great His love for those who fear Him

bless the Lord oh my soul
let all that's within me bless the Lord
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The Lord's Prayer

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

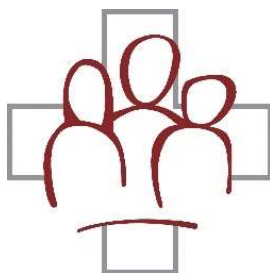
All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

(We greet one another in peace saying "God's peace" or "The Lord be with you.")



1st Distribution Hymn Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

LSB 631 sts. 1-2, 4, 6



1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
2 Here would I feed up - on the bread of God,
4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need
6 Too soon we rise; the ves - sels dis - ap - pear;



Here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;
Here drink with Thee the roy - al wine of heav'n;
An - oth - er arm but Thine to lean up - on.
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;



Here grasp with firm - er hand the e - ter - nal grace,
Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
It is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;
The bread and wine re - move, but Thou art here;



And all my wea - ri - ness up - on Thee lean.
Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n.
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might a - lone.
Near - er than ev - er; still my shield and sun.

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2nd Distribution Hymn *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

LSB 524 sts. 1-4



1 How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds In
2 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole And
3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, My
4 O Je - sus, shep - herd, guard - ian, friend, My



a be - liev - er's ear! It soothes our sor - rows,
calms the heart's un - rest; 'Tis man - na to the
shield and hid - ing place; My nev - er - fail - ing
Proph - et, Priest, and King, My Lord, my life, my



heals our wounds, And drives a - way our fear.
hun - gry soul And to the wea - ry, rest.
trea - sury filled With bound - less stores of grace.
way, my end, Ac - cept the praise I bring.

Common Dismissal

P: Now may this true body and true blood of our Lord....

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer Song (based on Psalm 103)

Video (Poor Bishop Hooper)

bless the Lord oh my soul
let all that's within me bless the Lord
bless the Lord oh my soul
let all that's within me bless the Lord

as a father has compassion on his children
so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him
as far as east is from the west He's removed our sin
for His love is everlasting everlasting everlasting

bless the Lord oh my soul
let all that's within me bless the Lord
bless the Lord oh my soul
let all that's within me bless the Lord
let all that's within me bless the Lord

Benediction (Blessing) (based on Psalm 91:1-4,15a,16b)

P: As for you, who live in the shelter of the Most High,
and reside in the protective shadow of the One-Above-All-Things—
I say this about the LORD, our God in whom we trust—
He is your shelter and your stronghold,
He will certainly rescue you from the snare of the hunter
and from the destructive plague of eternal death.
He will shelter you with His wings;
you will find safety under His wings.
His faithfulness is like a shield or a protective wall.

C: When we call out to Him, He will answer us.

P: He will let you see His salvation
in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.


C: Amen.

Closing Hymn

Blessed Assurance

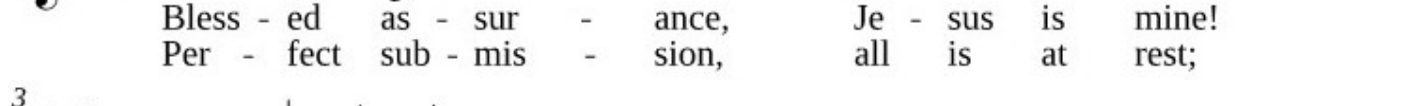
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Verse



Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine!
Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest;

3



O what a fore-taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God,
I in my Sav - ior am hap - py and blest, watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove,

7




born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.
filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

9 *Refrain*



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long;

13



this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

Announcements

UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

THURSDAY , AUGUST 17

IN-PERSON WORSHIP (IN SANCTUARY W/COMMUNION) – 6:30PM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

IN-PERSON WORSHIP (IN SANCTUARY W/COMMUNION) – 9AM

CHURCH PICNIC (VIKING PARK) 11AM

THURSDAY , AUGUST 24

IN-PERSON WORSHIP (IN SANCTUARY) – 6:30PM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

IN-PERSON WORSHIP (IN SANCTUARY) – 9AM

THURSDAY , AUGUST 31

IN-PERSON WORSHIP (IN SANCTUARY W/COMMUNION) – 6:30PM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

IN-PERSON WORSHIP (IN SANCTUARY W/COMMUNION) – 9AM

AFTER SEPTEMBER 3RD THE SUMMER SCHEDULE IS OVER AND WE WILL RETURN TO ONLY SUNDAY SERVICES IN THE GYM AT 9AM.

CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SCHEDULE. USHERS, READERS, AND VARIOUS OTHER VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP AND COMMUNION. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR ONE OF THOSE ROLES, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE AT OFFICE@BETHELGURNEE.ORG.

Bethel Church Picnic

Sunday, August 20th at 11am

Viking Park Summer Kitchen



Join us this Sunday, August 20th at 11:00 a.m. at the Viking Park Summer Kitchen in Gurnee for the Bethel Church Picnic! Bring your family, bring your friends, no need to be a member!

Let's all enjoy a few hours with our Bethel Family. There will be games and activities for all ages. We will also bring out all the painted chairs that the youth have been working on and you will have a chance to sponsor a chair and support our youth!

It's not too late to bring a side dish, help with the games, set up or clean up! Bethel will provide meat, cups, plates, napkins, utensils, and drinks!

Just a reminder that it is summer, and it could be warm and sunny on Sunday, however, the Viking Park Summer Kitchen provides shade and fans. We will see you there!