



GOOD NEWS
LUTHERAN CHURCH

THY Kingdom COME

Heavenly springs that bring new life on earth

Service Focus:

Kingdom Secrets: Secret Presence

Good News Lutheran Church | Mount Horeb, Wisconsin

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost | August 2, 2026



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Welcome!

We are grateful to have you with us for our service today. You have joined us for the most important time we spend together. Each time we gather as a family of faith, we make the gospel (or good news) of Jesus our central focus. We do so relying on Jesus' promise that, wherever two or three come together in his name, he is present among them to deliver his gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

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Time of Year: Sundays after Pentecost

The Festival of Pentecost marks the transition from the first half of the Christian Church Year to the second. During the Sundays after Pentecost, our attention shifts from the life of Christ to the teachings of Christ. Jesus' words establish our faith, transform our hearts and minds, and guide our lives in him. The liturgical color is green for the spiritual growth the Holy Spirit works in our hearts through the Word.



Current Series: Thy Kingdom Come

When Christians pray “Thy Kingdom Come,” they aren’t praying about lines on a map or results in an upcoming election. Like a spring that appears out of nowhere and then carves its own path, the Kingdom of God comes wherever and whenever the gospel is heard. There the Holy Spirit pours heaven’s best gifts into the hearts of people. When God’s kingdom comes, heavenly springs bring new life on earth.

July 19	Pentecost 8	Kingdom Secrets: Secret Wisdom
July 26	Pentecost 9	Kingdom Secrets: Secret Power
August 2	Pentecost 10	Kingdom Secrets: Secret Presence
August 9	Pentecost 11	Kingdom Secrets: Secret Worth

Service Focus

This week we about the secret presence of Jesus’ kingdom. Were we to look around at our outward circumstances, we would often conclude that God is nowhere to be found in our lives. Life’s trials and struggles make God appear to be distant. And yet, Jesus not only promises to be with us in the midst of life’s worst storms. He also attaches his presence to something concrete: his Word. Through his Word he remains with us at all times. Nothing can separate us from God’s love for us in him.

Prayer before the Service

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what you want done; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Morning Prayer is
one of the services
of the Daily Office,
a set of brief
patterns for
worship and
prayer appointed
for various times
throughout the
day.*

Morning Prayer



Hymn

God Is For Us



1 We won't fear the bat - tle, we won't fear the night.
2 E - ven when I stum - ble, e - ven when I fall,



We will walk the val - ley with you by our side.
e - ven when I turn back, still your love is sure.



You will go be - fore us, you will lead the way.
You will not a - ban - don, you will not for - sake.



We have found a ref - uge, on - ly you can save.
You will cheer me on - ward with nev - er - end - ing grace.

Refrain



Sing with joy now: Our God is for us. The Fa - ther's love is a



strong and might - y for - tress. Raise your voice now, no love is great - er.



Who can stand a-gainst us if our God is for us?



Nei-ther height nor depth can sep-a-rate us. Hell and death will



not de-feat us. He who gave his Son to free us holds me in his love. *Refrain x2*

Stand



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



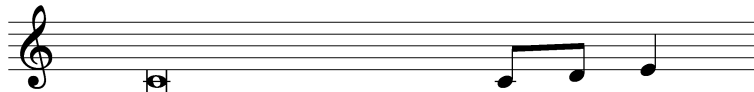
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



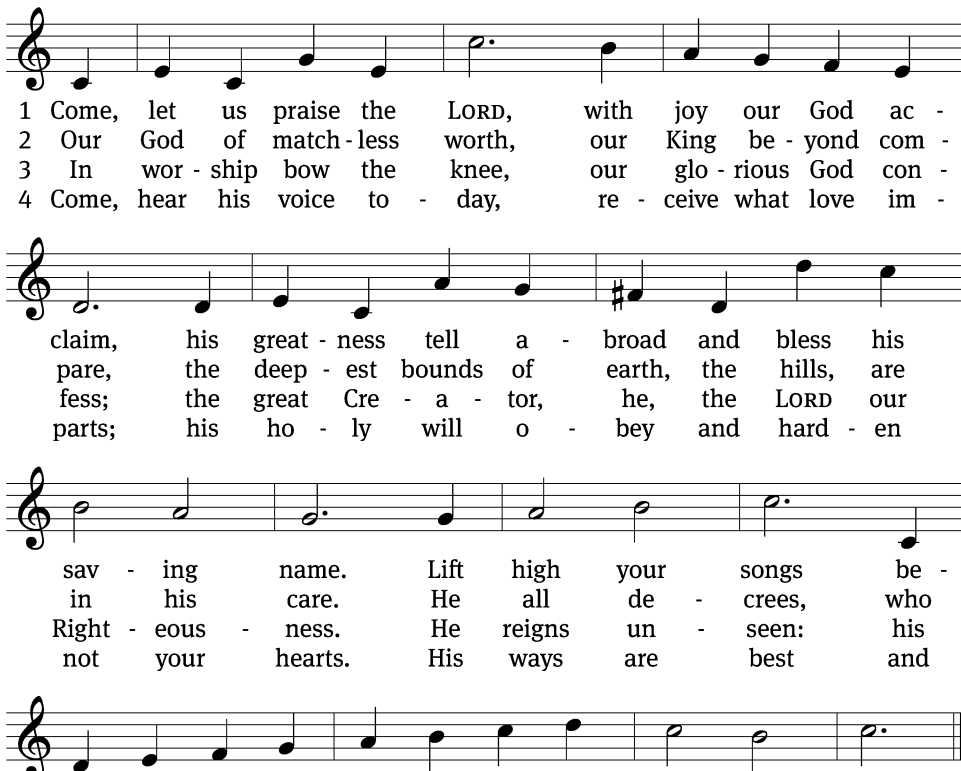
Jesus Christ is Lord of all:



praise and thanks to God!

"Venite," which means "Come!", is the title of the canticle used at the beginning of Morning Prayer. Its words are based on Psalm 95:1-7

Come, Let Us Praise the Lord *Venite*



1 Come, let us praise the LORD, with joy our God ac -
 2 Our God of match - less worth, our King be - yond com -
 3 In wor - ship bow the knee, our glo - rious God con -
 4 Come, hear his voice to - day, re - ceive what love im -

claim, his great - ness tell a - broad and bless his
 pare, the deep - est bounds of earth, the hills, are
 fess; the great Cre - a - tor, he, the LORD our
 parts; his ho - ly will o - bey and hard - en

sav - ing name. Lift high your songs be -
 in his care. He all de - crees, who
 Right - eous - ness. He reigns un - seen: his
 not your hearts. His ways are best and

fore his throne to whom a - lone all praise be - longs.
 by his hand pre - pared the land and formed the seas.
 flock he feeds and gent - ly leads in pas - tures green.
 lead at last, all trou - bles past, to per - fect rest.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what you want done; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

Children's Devotion

First Reading

1 Kings 19:9–18

God answers his prophet's doubts not with great acts of power but quiet words of promise.

⁹There he went into a cave and spent the night.

And the word of the LORD came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

¹⁰He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

¹¹The LORD said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.”

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹²After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper.

¹³When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

¹⁴He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

¹⁵The LORD said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. ¹⁶Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. ¹⁷Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu.

¹⁸Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Psalms have been
used by God's
people in worship
since the Old
Testament.*

*The Church sings
Psalm 73 in
services that
encourage us to
persevere in faith
through the
challenges of life.*

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 73



1 For God a - lone I wait in si - lence.



My soul is still be - fore the Lord. He is my rock



and my sal - va - tion, my for - tress strong; I trust in him.

Refrain



I'll not be shak - en, I'll not be shak - en, for all my



hope is in his love. From God a - lone comes my sal -



va - tion; I'll wait and trust his stead-fast love.



love; I'll wait and trust his stead-fast love.

Surely God is good to Israel,
to those who are pure in heart.

As for me, my feet had almost slipped;
I had nearly lost my foothold.

For I envied the arrogant
when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

It troubled me deeply till I entered the sanctuary of God;
then I understood their final destiny.

You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will take me into glory.

Whom have I in heaven but you?
And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen. Refrain**

Second Reading

Romans 8:28–39

*Though we face
hardship and trials
of every kind,
nothing can
separate us from
the love of God
that is in Christ
Jesus our Lord.*

²⁸And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

³¹What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶As it is written:

“For your sake we face death all day long;
we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.
³⁸For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

*With Jesus at our
side in the storm,
there is no need to
doubt.*

Gospel

Matthew 14:22–33

²²Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, ²⁴and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

²⁵Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear.

²⁷But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.”

²⁸“Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.”

²⁹“Come,” he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”

³¹Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?”

³²And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

812 Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor

Be seated

Stand

Holy God, We Praise Your Name *Te Deum Laudamus*

1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel
 3 All a - pos - tles join the strain as your
 4 You are King of glo - ry, Christ, Son of
 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly

all, we bow be - fore you. All on
 choirs a - bove are rais - ing; cher - u -
 sa - cred name they hal - low; proph - ets
 God, yet born of Mar - y, for us
 Spir - it, three we name you, though in

earth your scep - ter claim; all in heav'n a -
 bim and ser - a - phim, in un - ceas - ing
 swell the glad re - frain, and the white - robed
 sin - ners sac - ri - ficed, on the cross our
 es - sence on - ly one, un - di - vid - ed

bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your vast do -
 cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with sweet ac -
 mar - tyrs fol - low, and from morn to set of
 sins did car - ry; first to break the bars of
 God we claim you, and, a - dor - ing, bend the

main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 sun through the Church the song goes on.
 death, you have o - pened heav'n to faith.
 knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Te Deum
Laudamus is an
 ancient Latin hymn
 whose title means
 "We Praise You,
 God." Martin
 Luther thought so
 highly of the words
 of this hymn that
 he referred to it as
 the fourth
 Christian creed.

Be seated

Offering

*Thank you for joining us! You can ask a question, request information, or submit a prayer request at **GoodNewsLC.org/connect** (or scan the QR code on the back of the service folder). To support our ministry with an offering, visit **GoodNewsLC.org/give**.*

Offertory

The Lord Is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me, and pulled me from the raging sea.
And I am safe on this solid ground: The Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls. His strength will help me scale these walls.
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun: The Lord is my salvation. *Refrain*

Refrain

Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love.
My debt is paid and the vict'ry won: The Lord is my salvation.

My hope is hidden in the Lord. He flow'rs each promise of his Word.
When winter fades, I know spring will come: The Lord is my salvation.

In times of waiting, times of need, when I know loss, when I am weak,
I know his grace will renew these days: The Lord is my salvation. *Refrain*

And when I reach my final day, he will not leave me in the grave.
But I will rise. He will call me home: The Lord is my salvation. *Refrain*

Stand

Lord, Have Mercy *Kyrie*

In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Gracious Lord, your Word is near to the hearts of your people. Grant them courage to speak the Gospel faithfully. Let those who hear confess Jesus Christ as Lord and be saved. Remember all who endure persecution for his name, and strengthen them for a bold witness. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Help us to trust in you at all times, Father, that we may not doubt or fear. Grant us confidence in all that you have promised to bestow daily and richly upon your people. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord, you supported Peter in his doubts and fears. Keep us from sinking into despair when we suffer the trials of this mortal life. Be with those who are in need *[especially...]*. Grant us your Spirit, that our hearts may not waver, and keep us in the grasp of your grace, that we may not lose our way or be overcome by weariness and struggle. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of faith of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Be seated

Recognition of Faithful Service

Calvin Arstein

*Known as the
Aaronic Blessing,
these words have
been spoken to
God's people for
3,500 years.
Wherever God's
name is
proclaimed, God
promises to be
present with his
blessing (Numbers
6:22-27).*

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

Be seated

Hymn

Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me



1 What gift of grace is Je - sus my re - deem - er! There is no
2 The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en. For by my
3 No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en. The fu - ture
4 With ev - 'ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus, for he has



more for heav - en now to give. He is my joy, my righ - teousness, and
side, the Sav - ior he will stay. I lab - or on in weak - ness and re -
sure, the price it has been paid. For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my
said that he will bring me home. And day by day, I know he will re -



free - dom, my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I
joic - ing, for in my need his pow - er is dis - played. To this I
par - don, and he was raised to o - ver - throw the grave. To this I
new me, un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I



hold: My hope is on - ly Je - sus, for my life is whol - ly bound to
hold: My Shep - herd will de - fend me, through the deep - est val - ley he will
hold: My sin has been de - feat - ed, Je - sus now and ev - er is my
hold: My hope is on - ly Je - sus, all the glo - ry ev - er - more to

his. Oh, how strange and di - vine, I can
lead. Oh, the night has been won, and I
plea. Oh, the chains are re - leased, I can
him. When the race is com - plete, still my

sing, "All is mine," yet not I, but through Christ in me.
shall o - ver - come, yet not I, but through Christ in me.
sing, "I am free," yet not I, but through Christ in me.
lips shall re - peat, "Yet not I, but through Christ in me!"

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About Us

Our Mission

Good News Lutheran Church was established in 2013 as a mission effort of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Verona. Our mission is to help people find relief from life's distressing noise by preaching, teaching, and sharing the Bible's good news.

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Good News Lutheran Church proclaims the truth about Jesus throughout the world as a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are united in faith and teaching with the other churches of the Wisconsin Synod as well as the churches of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS).

