

Saved By Grace
Lutheran Church
St John's Tide: Trinity II
Theme: *Jesus' Word Recreates
Ears to Hear Him*
August 27, 2023



We are a Biblical church giving God's Word first place in our faith and life. We are a Lutheran church that proclaims forgiveness for all through Jesus Christ. We are a Christian church that gathers to praise God, to be strengthened by His Word, and to reach out to those around us in Christian love.

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Welcome! We are glad you can join us for our services today. If you are new to us, a step by step guide to our service is available in the church entry. May God bless the hearing of his Word this morning!

Our communion practice: On Sundays that we have the Lord's Supper, we follow the guidance of the Scriptures and the example of the historic Christian Church by practicing close communion. If you are not a member of our congregation, please speak with the pastor before communing. Everyone is welcome to come forward and receive a blessing.

Today's theme: Jesus' Word Recreates Ears to Hear Him: A man who was deaf and therefore also had an impediment in his speech was brought to Jesus (Mark 7:31-37). In the same way, all are by nature deaf toward God and therefore also unable to confess the faith rightly. For "*faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ*" (Rom. 10:9-17). Jesus put His fingers into the man's ears, and He spat and touched His tongue. Even so in Holy Baptism, water sanctified by the words of Jesus' mouth is applied to us; and the finger of God, that is, the life-giving Holy Spirit (2 Cor. 3:4-11) is put into our ears in the hearing of the baptismal Gospel. Jesus' sighing "*Ephphatha*" opened the man's ears, and his tongue was loosed to speak plainly as Isaiah prophesied of the Messiah, "*In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book*" (Is. 29:18-24)

The Church Picnic will follow this morning's service at Red Sunset Park, weather permitting. To get to the park turn north, toward I-84, at the 242nd and Division intersection. At the first light, turn left. The left turn leads right into the park. After we eat, there will be games for all, including, Left, Right, Center; Bocci Ball and a Water Balloon Toss for the young at heart. Hope to see you there!

The Pacific Northwest Women's Mission Rally is scheduled for Friday evening and Saturday, September 22 and 23, at Parkland Lutheran Church. The rally's theme is: Train Up a Child. It "will be a benefit for **all** parents, grandparents, and caregivers who desire to train up their child in the Lord." In other words, men are invited, too. More information regarding lodging, etc., will follow. If you would like to attend and need a ride, please talk to Pastor

Divine Rite II, p. 60

Hymns: 13, 65, 311 & 327, 590

4, 5. Introit/Gloria Patri

♪ Make haste, O God, to 'deliver me! / Make haste to 'help me, O Lord!

Let 'them be asham'd / and confounded 'who seek my life.

Let 'them be turn'd back / and confused who ' desire my hurt.

Let 'them be turn'd back / be-'cause of their shame.

Glory be to the Father, 'and to the Son / and to 'the Holy Ghost; as it was in the be - 'ginning, is now / and ever shall be: forever - 'more. Amen.

10. The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 29:18-19

11. The Gradual:

♪ Al - 'le-lu-ia! / Blessed be the Lord God 'of our fathers.

Praise Him and highly exalt 'Him forever / Al - 'le-lu-ia!

12. Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11

13. The Alleluia:

♪ Al - 'le-lu-ia...Your Word is a 'lamp to my feet. **And a 'light to my path / Al - 'le-lu-ia!** **10. Offering:** #445:1-2

14. The Holy Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

18. Offering: Hymn # 445:1,2

Weekly Calendar

- Thursday, Bible Class, 10:30 AM
- Sunday 10 AM, Service of the Word
 - 11:30 AM Bible Class
- Thursday After School Classes will on September 7