

Summer | OUR SAVIOR
LUTHERAN CHURCH

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today. Our Savior is a community that aspires to follow Jesus so that all may know of the love of God in Christ.

FAMILY RESOURCES At the sanctuary entrance there are books and clipboards with paper & crayons. Children are welcome to take these items into worship. Additionally, the family area just outside the sanctuary has full audio and a view of the service. There you will find toys, books, seating and room to roam.

COVID REMINDERS We are privileged to be in worship with one another; a privilege we hope to maintain. **Masks are now required indoors in all public spaces** per state guidelines. **Please mask up, vaccinated or not.**

For now there will be no coffee hour following the service. We invite you to continue conversations outside the church building. All services are streamed live on our YouTube channel.

Pastor Vaswig and Our Savior staff members have been fully vaccinated.

HOLY COMMUNION Communion is the central gathering meal of the church. In this meal Christ promises to be fully present, offering forgiveness, a renewed faith, and a regenerative life. Everyone is invited to come forward. You are welcome to remain seated if you prefer.

Individual servings of bread & wine (red) or juice (white) await you. Communion will be distributed at the center aisle in front of the altar. *Please be sensitive to physical distancing.* After consuming the elements, place the cup in the trays provided. To indicate that you would like to receive words of blessing instead of bread & wine, simply cross your arms over your chest.

Offerings may be left in the basket on the table at this time.

WE'D LOVE TO CONNECT If you find yourself in a time of spiritual need or you're searching for more, we would love to walk with you. Simply fill out a Connections Card and we will contact you.

ABOUT THE LITURGICAL ARTS INSTALLATION: *40 + 1 Drops*
40 days of rain. 40 days in the wilderness. 40 years of wandering.
1 drop that changed everything.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 22, 2021



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TIME AFTER PENTECOST—HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING: THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

PRELUDE

Lord Jesus Christ, be Present Now — Culli

Karla Stalwick

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PM: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

PM: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and
worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

PM: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

PM: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

PM: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you
with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW #522

GREETING

PM: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING AND SONG.

FIRST READING

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

¹Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴“Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.”

¹⁶Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

AM: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 34:15-22

¹⁵The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and God’s ears are open to their cry.

¹⁶The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.

¹⁷The righteous cry, and the Lord hears them and delivers them from all their troubles.

¹⁸The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those whose spirits are crushed.

¹⁹Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the Lord delivers them from every one.

²⁰God will keep safe all their bones; not one of them shall be broken.

²¹Evil will bring death to the wicked and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

²²O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for

which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

AM: 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.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE GOSPEL

John 6:56-69

PM: The holy gospel according to John. C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, ⁵⁶“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

⁶⁶Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

PM: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor John L. Vaswig

HYMN OF THE DAY

You Are the Way

ELW #758

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

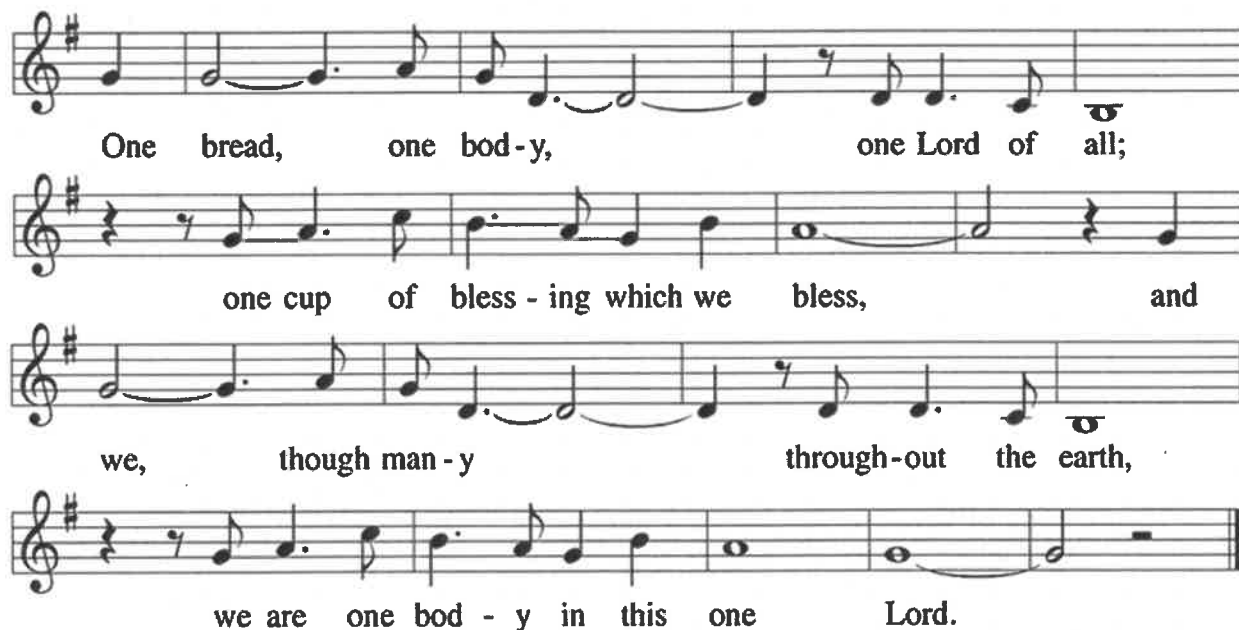
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of 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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MEAL: GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST.

TABLE SONG



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all;
one cup of bless - ing which we bless, and
we, though man - y through-out the earth,
we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PM: Lord, remember us in your love as you teach us to pray:

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Offerings may be left in the basket at this time.

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.

Musical Offering

Jan Hazelton

Post-Communion Canticle

The gifts are man - y, the Bod - y one, and in - to
 one are all bap - tized. Be - lov - ed, share one heart, one
 mind, one hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

Blessed Assurance

ELW #638

DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Christ is the World's Redeemer — Kosche

Karla Stalwick

Serving in Worship:

Leader: Pastor John L. Vaswig
Assisting Minister: Sue Johnson
Organist: Karla Stalwick
Flautist: Jan Hazelton
Altar Guild: Delaney Cash, Jean Pass
Video & Sound Assistants: David Hersey, Leslie Waltzer

Readings for next week: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; James 1:17-27;
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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Our Savior Lutheran Church Staff

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This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY **AUGUST 22ND — THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
10:00 am **Worship Service**

MONDAY **AUGUST 23RD**

TUESDAY **AUGUST 24TH**
8:00 pm *AA — Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)*

WEDNESDAY **AUGUST 25TH**

THURSDAY **AUGUST 26TH**
8:00 am *TOPS — Take Off Pounds Sensibly (Christian Education Room)*
9:30 am **Mission Quilters (Fellowship Hall)**
10:00 am *Al Anon (Christian Education Room)*

FRIDAY **AUGUST 27TH**

NEXT SUNDAY **AUGUST 29TH — FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
10:00 am **Worship Service**

Emergency Pastoral Care

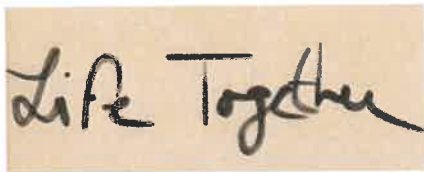
For emergency pastoral care, please contact
OSLC Transition Pastor John L. Vaswig at
253-677-4515 (mobile) or JLVaswig@gmail.com.

OSLC Announcements



**MARINERS GAME
FUN & FELLOWSHIP
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH**

The Mariners are playing the Arizona Diamondbacks in interleague play on Sunday, September 12th, 1:10pm, and you are invited to join your fellow baseball fans and cheer the M's on! Tickets are \$41 for 100/ main level seats. To sign up, contact Joan Friel (frielj4@comcast.net or 425-941-2925) and give her your name, and how many tickets you wish to purchase. Then write a check made out to "OSLC" for the cost of the tickets, with "Fellowship—Mariners' Game" on the subject line, and put the check in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office. Deadline to order tickets: 12 noon on Monday, September 6th. Go Mariners!



**LIFE TOGETHER WEDNESDAYS
FOOD, STUDY & SONG
STARTING SEPTEMBER 15TH
12 NOON AND 5:45 PM**

Join us on Wednesdays starting September 15th, at 12 noon and again at 5:45 pm. Each gathering will begin with a meal & fellowship, followed by a study of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* led by Pastor John, and conclude with Congregational song.



**THANK YOU FOR HELPING THE
PENCILS & PANTS DRIVE!**



Prayer is putting our faith into action. We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. You can make prayer requests via email at office@oslcissaquah.org. All written requests will remain on this list for 4 weeks.

Don Miller healing, strength and comfort during his stay in the hospital for heart issues. (Bonnie Brice)

José, Laura, Mariví, Yuelisse, Margot health and healing. (Margot Inman)

Ryan Steffen on the wait list for a kidney donation. (husband to Kristina Steffen)

Guests of the Community Meals Program safety, health and peace of mind. (Connie Fletcher)

Nicole DeCamp healing and strength. (Ken DeCamp and Cheryl Leiter)

Healing and peace of mind: Josee Jordan (Dianne Tanner); Rachel (Marilyn Carlson); **Henrik & Patty Christopherson** (Dianne Tanner); **Vern Lindquist**; **Marian James**; **Doug Patur**; **Katie Moeller**; **Margot Inman**; **Taufik Hidayut** (Ken Konigsmark); **Rebecca Thomas**; **Tanisha Foote** (Marilyn Carlson); **Dorothy Soland**; **Randi Strom**; **Jeanne Kuipers**; **John Pass**; **Florence Kinne**; **Carol Harbolt**; **Sandy Aldworth**; **Jen Winslow**; **Larry Pruitt**

Undergoing cancer treatment: **Kip Hauser** (father of Cheryl Hauser); **Vernell Johnson** (Shelley & Mark Howe); **Roger Stanley** (Alice Lewis); **Tim Rutten** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Carol Howe** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Tom Killoran** (Shelley Howe); **Les Carlson** (father of Dave Carlson); **Harold Mandt** (brother of Mary Ann Hult and Lorna Robertson); **Chris Howe** (brother of Mark Howe); **Peggy Scalise** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Eileen Letts** (cousin of Mark Howe); **Keith DeCamp** (brother of Ken DeCamp); **Doug McVety** (Helen Ny-chay); **Larry Harbolt** (Ray Harbolt)

Living with cancer: **Jeannie Lindquist**; **Gerald Welch** (Vern and Jeannie Lindquist); **Liz Kidd** (Bob Beck); **Duane Jacobson**; **Mary Lewis** (sister-in-law of Lyle and Alice Lewis); **Barbara Krogh Jarvis** (sister of Steve Krogh); **Suzanne Lewis** (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Alice Lewis); **Greg Petersen** (Wes Collum); **Barbara Jones** (mother of Ron Sordahl); **Al Batt** (Connie Fletcher)

Mourning the death of loved ones: For peace and comfort during this time of grieving for the family and friends of: **Dale Holte** (Uncle of Shelley Howe); **Mike & JD Golick** (brother-in-law to Patty Gerde); **Margarita Preston Dardet** and **Junca Sierra** (Margot Inman).

Members and friends serving in the military; fire & police departments, & emergency rooms.

Global Missions and Missionaries: Chichayo, Peru: **Pepe** at Las Brisas, **Merci** in San Antonio and **Harold** at Las Lomas. **MaaSae Girls Lutheran Secondary School** in Tanzania.

Safe Travel: For **Patty Gerde**, **Karen**, **Niri**, and **Tasha**, Aug. 24th-30th to Anchorage for a memorial service for Mike and JD Golick.

Thanksgiving: For the joyous birth of **Samuel Thomas Martin** on August 13th to **Marian Martin** (sister-law of Stacy Smith).

