



Christmas

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 required indoors in all public spaces** per state guidelines. **Please mask up, vaccinated or not.** This measure is especially important for vulnerable individuals who are not eligible to be vaccinated, young children and their caregivers.

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.

Name of Jesus  
Sunday, January 2, 2022  
10:00 am



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## HOLY COMMUNION

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

**PRELUDE** *Pastorale on 'Holy God, We Praise Your Name'* — Jeffrey Blersch Jiyoung Lee

**WELCOME**

Pr. Larry Thomas

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PM: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who alone does wonders, who lifts up the lowly, who fills the hungry with food things.

**C: Amen.**

PM: Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

PM: God for whom we wait,

**C: in the presence of one another, we confess our sin before you. We fail in believing that your good news is for us. We falter in our call to tend your creation. We find our sense of self in material wealth. We fear those different from ourselves. We forget that we are your children and turn away from your love. Forgive us Blessed One, and assure us again of your saving grace. Amen**

PM: God, in Christ Jesus, has looked with favor upon you! Through the power of the Holy Spirit, + your sins are forgiven. You are children of the Most High, inheritors of the eternal promise, and recipients of divine mercy. God strengthens you anew to follow the way of peace.

**C: Amen.**

### ENTRANCE HYMN

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

ELW #288

### 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.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

ELW #886

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

#### FIRST READING

Numbers 6:22-27

<sup>22</sup>The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: <sup>23</sup>Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, <sup>24</sup>The Lord bless you and keep you; <sup>25</sup>the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; <sup>26</sup>the Lord lift up his countenance

upon you, and give you peace. <sup>27</sup>So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

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

## SECOND READING

Galatians 4:4-7

<sup>4</sup>When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. <sup>6</sup>And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 2:15-21

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

<sup>15</sup>When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup>So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup>When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup>and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

<sup>21</sup>After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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

## SERMON

Pastor Larry Thomas

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

ELW #634 v.1-4

## **NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Detailed description: This block contains four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff continues the melody with 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff has 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' and the fourth staff concludes with 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' Each staff ends with a double bar line.

PM: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...  
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Detailed description: This block contains four staves of music in G major. The first staff begins with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The melody is a simple, joyful tune. The lyrics are 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of'. The second staff continues with 'pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The third staff has 'san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the'. The fourth staff concludes with 'name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' Each staff ends with a double bar line.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

PM: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and 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.

Distribution Hymns

*Give Me Jesus* ELW #770

*O Savior, Precious Savior* ELW #820

### BLESSING

#### SENDING HYMN

*Cold December Flies Away*

ELW #299

### DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** *Toccata on 'Holy God, We Praise Your Name'* — Jeffrey Blersch Jiyoun Lee

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### **Serving in Worship:**

Leader:	Pastor Larry Thomas
Assisting Minister:	Connie Fletcher
Organist/Pianist:	Jiyoung Lee
Usher:	Jon Smith
Video & Sound Assistants:	David Hersey

**Readings for next week:** Isaiah 43:1-7; Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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### **Our Savior Lutheran Church Staff**

Rev. John L. Vaswig, *Transition Pastor*  
Kate Gagnon, *Lay Visitation Minister*

Shari Lundberg, *Parish Administrator*  
Dr. Jiyoung Lee, *Parish Organist*



# This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

## **TODAY**

**10:00 am**

## **JANUARY 2ND — NAME OF JESUS**

**Worship Service—Guest Pastor Larry Thomas**

## **MONDAY**

## **JANUARY 3RD**

**Office Closed**

*7:00 pm*

*Boy Scout Troop 676 (Fellowship Hall)*

*7:00 pm*

*Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)*

## **TUESDAY**

## **JANUARY 4TH**

*8:00 pm*

*AA — Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)*

## **WEDNESDAY**

## **JANUARY 5TH**

## **THURSDAY**

## **JANUARY 6TH**

**10:00 am**

**Mission Quilters (Fellowship Hall)**

*10:00 am*

*Al Anon (Christian Education Room)*

**7:00 pm**

**Stewardship Committee (Narthex)**

## **FRIDAY**

## **JANUARY 7TH**

## **SATURDAY**

## **JANUARY 8TH**

**9 :00 am**

**Work Party to Take Down the Christmas Decorations**

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

## **JANUARY 9TH — BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

**10:00 am**

**Worship Service**

**Emergency Pastoral Care Through Sunday, January 2nd**  
Pr. Vaswig will be out of the office through Sunday, January 2.  
If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, during that time,  
please contact **Pastor Larry Thomas at 425-802-1212.**

**Starting Monday, January 2nd,** please contact Pr. Vaswig at  
253-677-4515 (mobile) or JL.Vaswig@gmail.com.

# OSLC Announcements

**EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE THROUGH JANUARY 2ND** Pr. Vaswig will be out of the office through today, Sunday, January 2. If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, during that time, please contact Pastor Larry Thomas at 425-802-1212.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 8 WHAT WENT UP MUST COME DOWN!** Next Saturday January 8th, 9am-12pm, join the Altar Guild as they gather to take down the Christmas Decorations.

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12<sup>TH</sup> BIBLE STUDY RESUMES** More details to come.



## **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT** GENERAL OPERATING FUND, NOV. 2021

We have completed five months of the 2021/22 fiscal year.

### **The results so far this year:**

We have received YTD: \$117,263

We have spent YTD: \$134,912

**Deficit.....(\$ 17,649)**

**SUNDAY, JAN. 16TH AT 11:00 AM**  
**OUR SAVIOR CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
The agenda includes: Council member elections — Doug Friddell and Connie Fletcher, President and Pastor reports.

## **++Share & Prayer++**

*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](mailto:office@oslcissaquah.org). All written requests will remain on this list for 4 weeks. A complete list of prayers can be found in the Focus newsletter each month.*

**Les & Kate Gagnon** healing for Les following heart condition, and peace for Kate. (Jane Shen)

**Ken Konigsmark** rest and healing following injury of his heel and achilles tendon. (Jane Shen)

**Les Carlson** strength and healing follow diagnosis with Covid. (father of Dave Carlson)

**Lynnette Braillard** cancer diagnosis. (daughter to Cheryl Neeb)

**Miyako Griffin** peace and comfort at end of life. (Cheryl Neeb)

**Carmen Saavedra** peace and comfort at end of life. (Cheryl Neeb)

**The family of Wayne Price** peace and comfort for Bev, Wayne's wife; and Tia, their daughter. Blessed are those who mourn. They will be comforted.

**Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church** peace as they plan for the next phase in their lives together.

**Expectant Mothers: Kirsten Weber** (daughter to Randy & Joanna Wood)

**Mourning the death of loved ones:** For peace and comfort during this time of grieving for the family and friends of: **Wayne Price** (husband to Bev Price).