

Christmas





## 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 strongly recommended in worship**, especially because of singing. This measure is especially important for vulnerable individuals among us.

**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; gluten free bread is available. 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.

### Name of Jesus

Sunday, January 1, 2023 10:00 a.m.



## **OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

745 Front Street S, Issaquah, WA 98027 425-392-4169

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

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

PRELUDE

*A Christmas Prelude* — William Stickles

Jiyoung Lee

WELCOME Pr. Glenn Petersen

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

PM: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

C: Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.

PM: Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just. Silence is kept for reflection.

PM: God of new beginnings,

C: we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.

PM: People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on + Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

C: Amen.

**OPENING HYMN** 

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

ELW #634

#### 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**



## 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.** 

#### PSALM 8

<sup>1</sup>O | Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!-

2you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,

4what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,

human beings that you should | care for them?

5Yet you have made them little less | than divine;

with glory and hon- or you crown them.

6You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;

you have put all things un- | der their feet:

7all | flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts | of the field,

8the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.

90 | Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

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



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

Pr. Glenn Petersen

HYMN OF THE DAY

Love Has Come

ELW #292

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

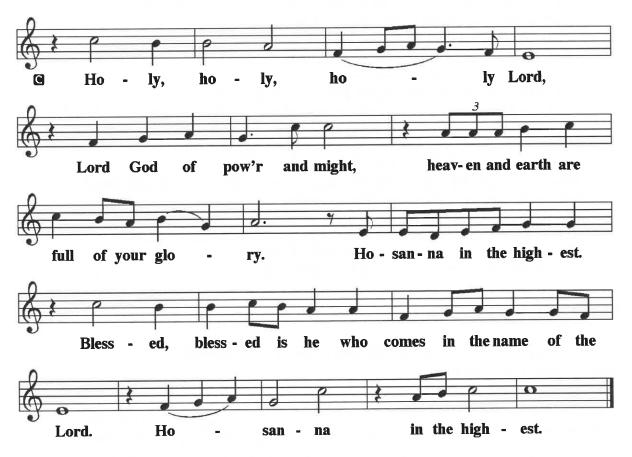
# MEAL: GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST. GREAT THANKSGIVING



## PROPER PREFACE

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

# HOLY, HOLY



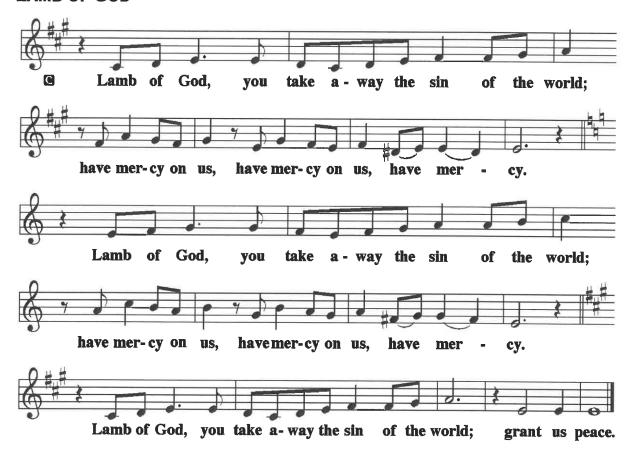
## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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.

### LAMB OF GOD



### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

Offerings may be left in the basket at this time.

**Distribution Hymns** 

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart ELW #484 Let Us Break Bread Together ELW #471 Come to the Table ELW #481 (sing twice)

### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

## BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

ELW #620

DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

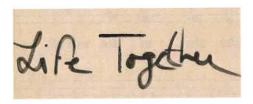
C: Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** 

A Christmas Postlude — William Stickles

Jiyoung Lee

# **OSLC Announcements**



## New Life Together Class Starts on Wednesday, January 11

Please join us on Wednesday, January 11 at 12 p.m. in Anderson Hall as we start a new Life Together series. Bring your own lunch. Everyone is welcome.

As a group, each Wednesday at noon we'll explore Jesus' teaching contrasted to a white, male-dominated agenda which perverts the Gospel of Jesus' love and proclamation of justice. We will take the time to define what Christian nationalism is, how Christian is Christian nationalism, what a healthy patriotism looks like, and how the church should and must respond to this perversion of the Gospel.



Puppet Show Next Week!

# **Serving in Worship Today**

Leader:
Assisting Minister:
Psalm Cantor:
Organist/Pianist:
Usher:
Altar Guild:
Sound / Videography:

Pastor Glenn Petersen Jen Winslow Lori Downey Jiyoung Lee Bill Suttmeier Barbara Fetty-Solders Jonathan Smith/ David Hersey

## + Share & Prayer +

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 four weeks. A complete list of prayers can be found in the Focus newsletter each month.

**OSLC Call Committee**, for wisdom and discernment

Bob Beck, for healing (Debby Beck)

**Dave Carlson**, for healing (Marilyn Carlson) **Connie Hogue**, for full recovery following a stroke (Marilyn Carlson)

**Shelley Howe,** as she recovers from labral hip tears (The Howes)

**Sara Reid**, as she recovers from tibia and fibula fractures (The Howes)

Marge Armos, who is struggling with COPD and dementia, and her husband Joe, who is caring for her (Helen Nychay)

Hye-Tong Robinson, for recovery
My daughter Karen and granddaughter
Tasha, for recovery from RSV (Patty Gerde)

Mourning the death of loved ones: Pauline Montague died on December 8.



# This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

**TODAY** JANUARY 1 — NAME OF JESUS

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC (online only)
Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

MONDAY JANUARY 2

The Church Office is closed today (New Year's Day observed).

TUESDAY JANUARY 3

10:00 am Issaquah Food & Clothing Bank (Christian Ed. Room)

7:45 p.m. AA - Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)

THURSDAY JANUARY 5

9:30 am Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (Christian Ed. Room)

FRIDAY JANUARY 6

12:30 pm Companions Bible Study group (Library and online)

This is the first time trying both in-person and online together. Contact Jen Winslow (jenwinmv@outlook.com) for Zoom info.

**NEXT SUNDAY** JANUARY 8 — BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship Hour with Puppet Show (Anderson Hall)

**Emergency Pastoral Care** 

For emergency pastoral care thru January 9, please contact Pr. Larry Thomas, retired OSLC pastor, at 425-802-1212 or ledgarthomas@gmail.com.