

Epiphany

OUR SAVIOR
LUTHERAN CHURCH



Encouraged Hearts United in Love

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE



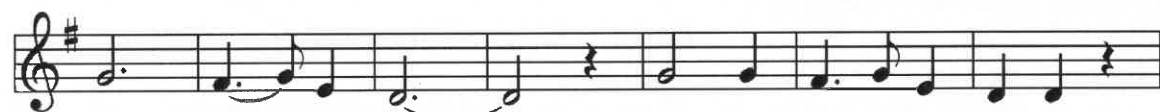
☐ Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy, have mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed



at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

PM: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." ⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." ⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

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

PSALM 40:1-11

¹I waited patiently up- | on the LORD,

who stooped to me and | heard my cry.

²The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the | miry clay,

and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my | footing sure.

³The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise | to our God;

many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust | in the LORD.

⁴Happy are they who trust | in the LORD!

They do not turn to enemies or to those who | follow lies.

⁵Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be com- | pared with you!

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than | I can count

⁶Sacrifice and offering you do | not desire;

you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have | not required.

⁷And so I said, "Here I | am; I come.

In the scroll of the book it is writ- | ten of me:

⁸I love to do your will, | O my God;

your law is | deep within me.' "

⁹I proclaimed righteousness in the | great assembly;

I have not restrained my lips, O | LORD, you know.

¹⁰I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness

and | your deliverance.

I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the | great assembly.

¹¹You are the LORD; do not withhold your compas- | sion from me; **may your steadfast love and your truth continually | keep me safe.**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

THE GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

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

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he

said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

PM: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pr. John L. Vaswig

HYMN OF THE DAY

Will You Come and Follow Me

ELW #798

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



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

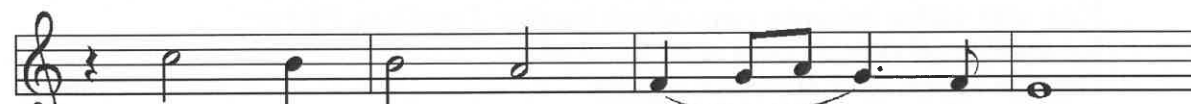


C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

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

HOLY, HOLY



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

☩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
 have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
 have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Offerings may be left in the basket at this time.

Distribution Hymns

Now Behold the Lamb ELW #341
Holy, Holy, Holy ELW #473
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence ELW#490

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

ELW #705

DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

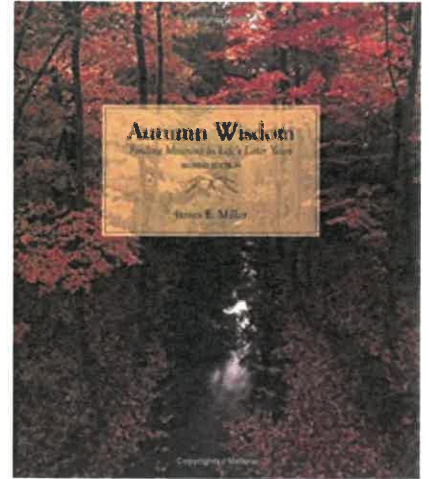
Hyfrydol — Ralph Vaughan Williams

Jiyoung Lee

OSLC Announcements

“Who Am I Now?” Group Sign-ups

A Study for Older Adults Using the Book
*Autumn Wisdom: Finding Meaning
in Life's Later Years*



Do you ever wonder:

- What is my purpose now?
- What have I learned, and what am I meant to learn?
- What brought me to this place in my spiritual journey, and what's next?

Take this opportunity to join other adults in exploring the experiences, questions, hopes, and meaning in life's later years. Leaders will host groups in a variety of settings: in homes, at church, and on Zoom. Each group will set its own time and frequency of meeting.

If you'd like more information, talk with a Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) team member: Sandy Aldworth, Bonnie Brice, Jo Hess, Jean Pickering, Ann Thomas, or Jen Winslow, or email Ann @ annlthomas@gmail.com.

There will be sign-up sheets available after worship on Sunday, January 15 and 22 (if you didn't sign up already on January 8). Please sign up on the sheet that lists the group setting that will work best for you.

Participants will receive the book *Autumn Wisdom* at no charge.

“Who Am I Now?” – Group Options and Start Dates

Our Savior Lutheran Church – Library
Jo Hess, Facilitator (425-503-2576)
First meeting: Tuesday, February 7, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Tanglewood Condominiums, Sammamish
Jean Pickering, Facilitator (425-577-4292)
First meeting: Thursday, January 26, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Providence Point 55+ Community
Bonnie Brice, Facilitator (206-499-1349)
Friday at 11:00 a.m. – Start date to be determined by group

*See next page for more Group Options
and Start Dates . . .*

OSLC Announcements

“Who Am I Now?” – Group Options and Start Dates (continued)

Timber Ridge Senior Living Community
Sandy Aldworth, Facilitator (425-417-7703)
Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. – Start date to be determined by group

University House Retirement Community
Ann Thomas, Facilitator (425-281-8155)
First meeting: Thursday, January 26, 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Online via Zoom
Jen Winslow, Facilitator (425-591-1595)
First week of February – Start date to be determined by group



New Member Class

Are you a regular visitor to OSLC?
Are you interested in learning more about
OSLC or becoming a member?

You're invited to participate in a new member class being facilitated by Pr. Vaswig. Today at 9:00 a.m. was the first session, and there are three sessions left. The class is held in the OSLC Library immediately before 10 a.m. worship to enable you to go right from class into worship.

The class will run for four weeks (January 15 thru February 5) and be an overview of what Lutherans believe, in addition to highlighting the vision and mission of OSLC.

To sign up, please call the church office at 425-392-4169 or Ann Thomas at 425-281-8155.

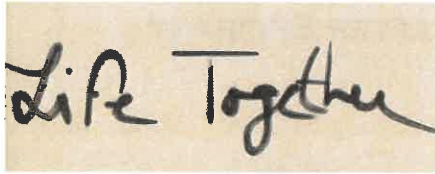
Altar Guild Seeking New Members

**Altar Guild needs more
members and bread bakers!**

If you're interested in joining Altar Guild and/or baking bread, please contact Jane Wuest at 425-221-2591 or jane_wuest@hotmail.com.



OSLC Announcements



Life Together Gathering Wednesdays at Noon

Please join us each Wednesday at 12 p.m. in Anderson Hall as we continue the new Life Together series (that started on January 11). Everyone is welcome to join, even if you missed the first session.

As a group, each Wednesday we'll explore Jesus' teaching contrasted to a white, male-dominated agenda (Christian nationalism) which perverts the Gospel of Jesus' love and proclamation of justice.

The series will run for six weeks with the last session being on February 15 (or at least that's currently the plan).



Serving in Worship Today

Leader:	Pr. John L. Vaswig
Assisting Minister:	Joan Friel
Psalm Cantor:	Sue Johnson
Organist/Pianist:	Jiyoung Lee
Usher:	Bill Suttmeier
Altar Guild:	Jane Wuest
Sound / Videography:	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@oslccissaquah.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)

My daughter Karen and granddaughter Tasha, for recovery from RSV (Patty Gerde)

Justin Canler, a young man struggling with Multiple Sclerosis (Mike Anderson)

My brother Roger, who has been re-diagnosed with increasing cancers; he now has spots in both lungs and colon (Alice Lewis)

Jim Jewell (father of Jeff Jewell)

Anita Calhoun

Mourning the death of loved ones:
Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.

Claire Howe (mother/mother-in-law of Mark & Shelley Howe)

Traci Lange (niece of Connie Fletcher)

Howard Lewis (cousin of Lyle Lewis)

Pauline Montague

Stephen Gacek (husband of Emily Gacek)

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY

9:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

JANUARY 15 — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

New Member Class (Library)
Spirit of Peace UCC
Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

MONDAY

6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

JANUARY 16

Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)
Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY

10:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:45 p.m.

JANUARY 17

Issaquah Food & Clothing Bank (Christian Ed. Room)
Church Council (Narthex)
AA — Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY

12:00 p.m.

JANUARY 18

Our Life Together Study (Anderson Hall)

THURSDAY

9:30 am
10:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

JANUARY 19

Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)
Al-Anon (Christian Ed. Room)
Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)
Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

FRIDAY

12:30 p.m.

JANUARY 20

Companions Bible Study group (online)
Contact Jen Winslow (jenwinmv@outlook.com) for Zoom info.

SATURDAY

2:00 p.m.

JANUARY 21

Memorial Service for Stephen Gacek (Sanctuary)

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

JANUARY 22 — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

New Member Class (Library)
Spirit of Peace UCC
Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

Emergency Pastoral Care

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