

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.

Third Sunday after Epiphany
Sunday, January 22, 2023
10:00 a.m.



OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
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HOLY COMMUNION

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

PRELUDE

There is a Redeemer — arr. Douglas E. Wagner

Jiyoung Lee

WELCOME

Pr. John L. Vaswig

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

For the Fruit of All Creation

ELW #679

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



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's people 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.



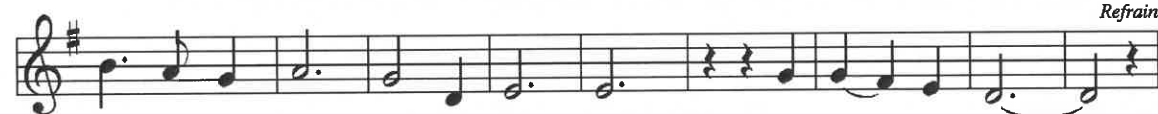
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther,



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 9:1-4

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

PSALM 27:1, 4-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then | shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

⁴One thing I ask of the LORD; one | thing I seek;

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God | in the temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble God will | give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up- | on a rock.

⁶Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies | who surround me.

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; | will sing and make music | to the LORD.

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, | when I call;

have mercy on me and | answer me.

⁸My heart speaks your message— | “Seek my face.”

Your face, O LORD, | I will seek.

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- | vant in anger.

Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of | my salvation.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe’s people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, “I belong to Paul,” or “I belong to Apollos,” or “I belong to Cephas,” or “I belong to Christ.” ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name.

¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

Matthew 4:12-23

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

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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

SERMON

Pr. John L. Vaswig

HYMN OF THE DAY

O God of Every Nation

ELW #713

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.

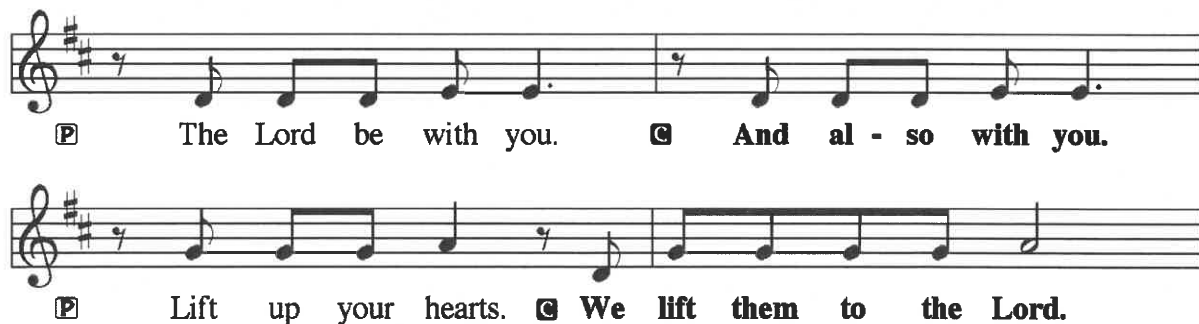
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

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 musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains two measures of music. The first measure starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, and a quarter note C. The second measure starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a quarter note F#, and a quarter note G. Below the first staff, the lyrics are: [P] The Lord be with you. [C] And al - so with you.

The second staff also has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains two measures of music. The first measure starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G, a quarter note A, a quarter note B, and a quarter note C. The second measure starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note D, a quarter note E, a quarter note F#, and a quarter note G. Below the second staff, the lyrics are: [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

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us ELW #789

Day by Day ELW #790

I Received the Living God ELW #477

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Lord of Light

ELW #688

DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

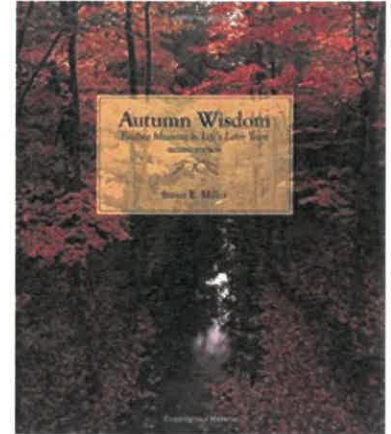
The Trumpet Shall Sound — G.F. Handel

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.

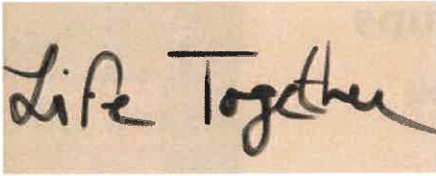
If you'd like more information, talk with a Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) team member: Sandy Aldworth, Bonnie Brice, Jo Hess, Jean Pickering, Ann Thomas, or Jen Winslow, or email Ann @ annlthomas@gmail.com.

Today is the final day that sign-up sheets will be available after worship. 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
- **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

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 two sessions.

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:	Lori Downey
Psalm Cantor:	Dave Carlson
Organist/Pianist:	Jiyoung Lee
Usher:	Don Robertson
Altar Guild:	Jean Pass & Delaney Cash
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@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)

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

John & Rita Hansen, for John's successful surgery for back pain, along with wholeness and healing

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.

2:00 p.m.

JANUARY 22 — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

New Member Class (Anderson Hall)

Spirit of Peace UCC

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

Talley Studios Recital (Sanctuary)

MONDAY

10:30 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

JANUARY 23

Congregational Care Ministry (Library)

Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)

Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY

10:00 a.m.

7:45 p.m.

JANUARY 24

Issaquah Food & Clothing Bank (Christian Ed. Room)

AA — Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY

12:00 p.m.

JANUARY 25

Life Together Study (Anderson Hall)

THURSDAY

9:30 am

10:00 a.m.

JANUARY 26

Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

Al-Anon (Christian Ed. Room)

FRIDAY

12:30 p.m.

JANUARY 27

Companions Bible Study group (online)

Contact Jen Winslow (jenwinmv@outlook.com) for Zoom info.

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

JANUARY 29 — FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

New Member Class (Anderson Hall)

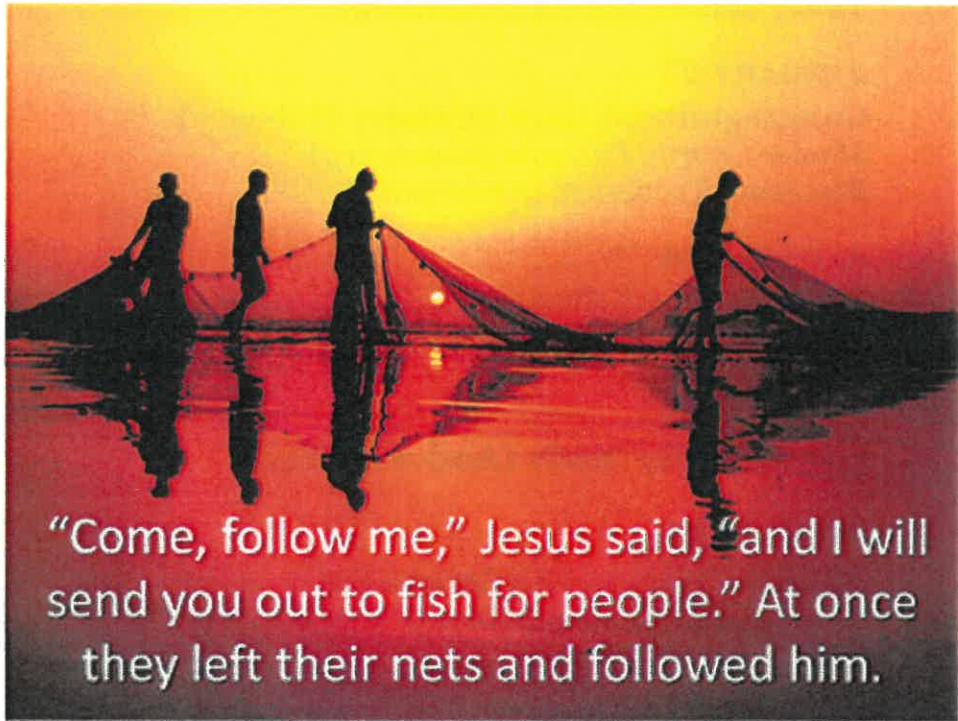
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Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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Emergency Pastoral Care

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



“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” At once they left their nets and followed him.