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Matthew 5:23-24



# 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.

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany  
Sunday, February 12, 2023  
10:00 a.m.



**OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
745 Front Street S, Issaquah, WA 98027  
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## HOLY COMMUNION

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

### PRELUDE

*God Is Here* — Ferguson

Karla Stalwick

### WELCOME

### 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

*God Is Here!*

ELW #526

### 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 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

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

[Moses said to the people:] <sup>15</sup>See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, <sup>20</sup>loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

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

#### PSALM 119:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose | way is blameless,  
                  **who follow the teaching | of the LORD!**  
<sup>2</sup>Happy are they who observe | your decrees  
                  **and seek you with | all their hearts,**  
<sup>3</sup>who never do | any wrong,  
                  **but always walk | in your ways.**  
<sup>4</sup>You laid down | your commandments,  
                  **that we should | fully keep them.**  
<sup>5</sup>Oh, that my ways were made | so direct  
                  **that I might | keep your statutes!**  
<sup>6</sup>Then I should not be | put to shame,  
                  **when I regard all | your commandments.**  
<sup>7</sup>I will thank you with | a true heart,  
                  **when I have learned your | righteous judgments.**  
<sup>8</sup>I will | keep your statutes;  
                  **do not utter- | ly forsake me.**

#### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. <sup>2</sup>I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, <sup>3</sup>for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? <sup>4</sup>For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and

<sup>5</sup>What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. <sup>6</sup>I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. <sup>7</sup>So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. <sup>8</sup>The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. <sup>9</sup>For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## Matthew 5:21-37

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>21</sup>“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup>So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. <sup>25</sup>Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup>Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

<sup>27</sup>“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ <sup>28</sup>But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup>If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup>And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

<sup>31</sup>“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ <sup>32</sup>But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

33“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ 34But I say to you, Do

not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, <sup>35</sup>or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. <sup>36</sup>And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup>Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

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

## **SERMON**

Pr. John L. Vaswig

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

ELW #733

## **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.





## 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

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds* ELW#656  
*As the Grains of Wheat* ELW #465  
*Here is Bread* ELW#483

## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

## **BENEDICTION**

## **SENDING HYMN**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

ELW #858

## **DISMISSAL**

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* — Wold

Karla Stalwick

# OSLC Announcements

## Ash Wednesday Services

**On February 22, OSLC will begin the forty days of Lent with Ash Wednesday services at 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

For the 7 p.m. service, we will be joined by the people of God from Spirit of Peace UCC; Pr. Vaswig and Pr. Jenn Hagedorn will co-preside.



## ✠ Share & Prayer ✠

*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 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)

**Anita Calhoun** (mother of Heidi Calhoun)

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

**Jim Fricke**, who was recently diagnosed with cancer and is starting to receive treatment (son of Mary Fricke)

**My mom Elizabeth Bachman**, as she enters hospice (Chuck Bachman)

**Amy Dunbar**, for health and wholeness (sister of Dave Carlson)

## Life Together Series: Final Class on Feb. 15 at Noon

Please join us on Wednesday, February 15 at 12 p.m. in Anderson Hall for the final class of this series on Christian Nationalism.

## Puppet Show Today!

There will be a puppet show in Anderson Hall during coffee & fellowship hour.



## Serving in Worship Today

Leader:

Assisting Minister:

Psalm Cantor:

Organist/Pianist:

Usher:

Altar Guild:

Sound / Videography:

Pr. John L. Vaswig

Jen Winslow

Jeff Jewell

Karla Stalwick

Larry Thomas

Jean Pass & Delaney Cash

Jonathan Smith/

David Hersey

## Mourning the death of loved ones:

Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.

**Joyce Frantzich** (aunt of Dave Carlson)

**Doug McVety** (brother-in-law of Helen Nychay)

**Arlene Miletich**

# This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

## TODAY

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

## **FEBRUARY 12 — SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

*Spirit of Peace UCC*

**Worship Service (Sanctuary)**

**Coffee & Fellowship Hour with Puppet Show (Anderson Hall)**

## MONDAY

10:30 a.m.  
6:30 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.

## **FEBRUARY 13**

**Congregational Care Ministry (Library)**

*Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)*

*Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)*

## TUESDAY

3:00 p.m.  
7:45 p.m.

## **FEBRUARY 14**

**Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)**

*AA — Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)*

## WEDNESDAY

12:00 p.m.

## **FEBRUARY 15**

**Life Together Study (Anderson Hall)**

## THURSDAY

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

## **FEBRUARY 16**

**Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)**

*Al-Anon (Christian Ed. Room)*

**Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)**

**Finance Committee (online)**

Contact Wendy Winslow (oslc\_treasurer@hotmail.com) for Zoom info.

*Boy Scout Troop 676 PLC (Anderson Hall)*

## FRIDAY

12:30 p.m.

## **FEBRUARY 17**

**Companions Bible Study Group (online only for now)**

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

## SATURDAY

9:00 a.m.  
10:00 a.m.

## **FEBRUARY 18**

**Endowment Committee (online)**

Contact Carl Boruck (papaboruck@gmail.com) for Zoom info.

*Master Chorus Eastside Rehearsal (Sanctuary)*

## NEXT SUNDAY

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

## **FEBRUARY 19 — TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**

*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.