



Easter

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 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.

Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 16, 2023
10:00 am



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HOLY COMMUNION

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

PRELUDE *I Know that My Redeemer Liveth* — G.F. Handel Jiyoung Lee
WELCOME Pastor John Vaswig

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

PM: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

PM: In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever. You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation.

Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OPENING *Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!* ELW #382

GREETING

HYMN OF PRAISE *This Is the Feast*

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

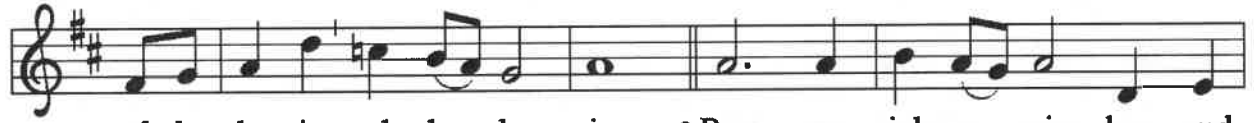


who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

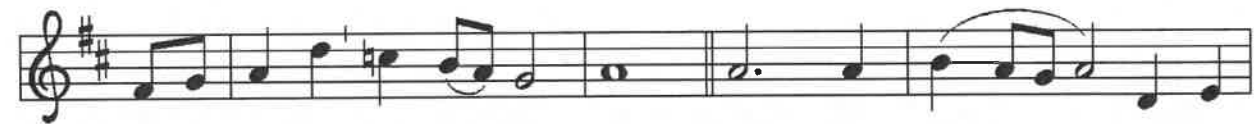


glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], ²²“You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—²³this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.

²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

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

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:3-9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Sing twice

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

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

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your

hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

SERMON

Pastor John Vaswig

HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

ELW #363

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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.

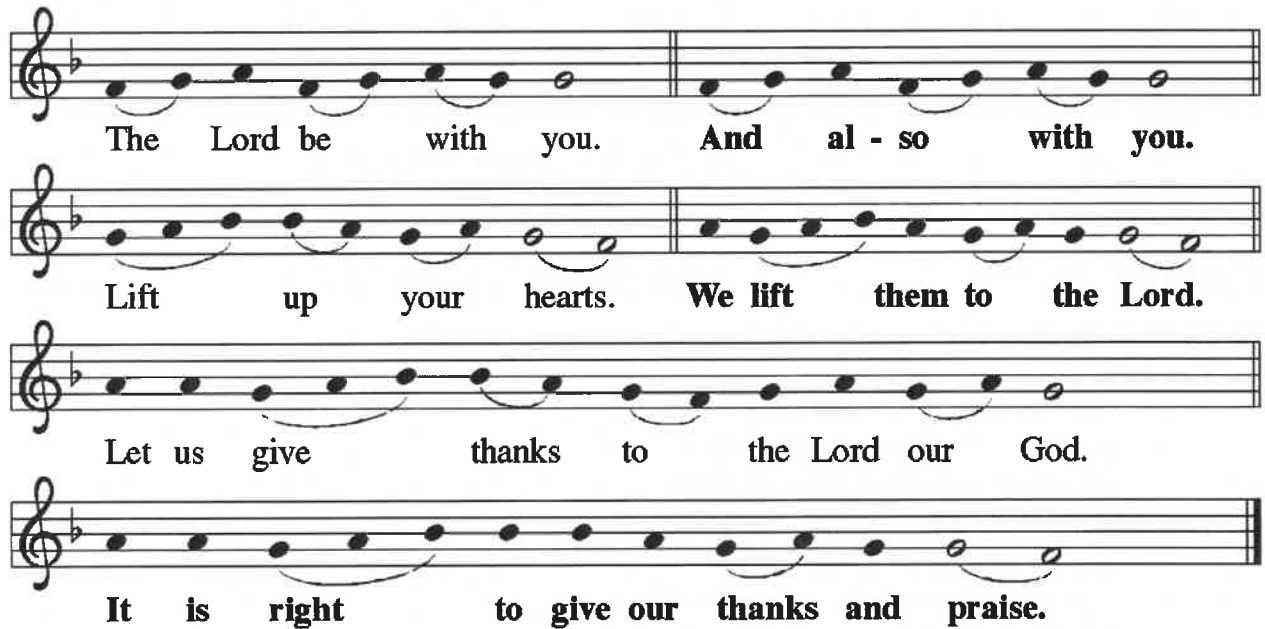
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

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.

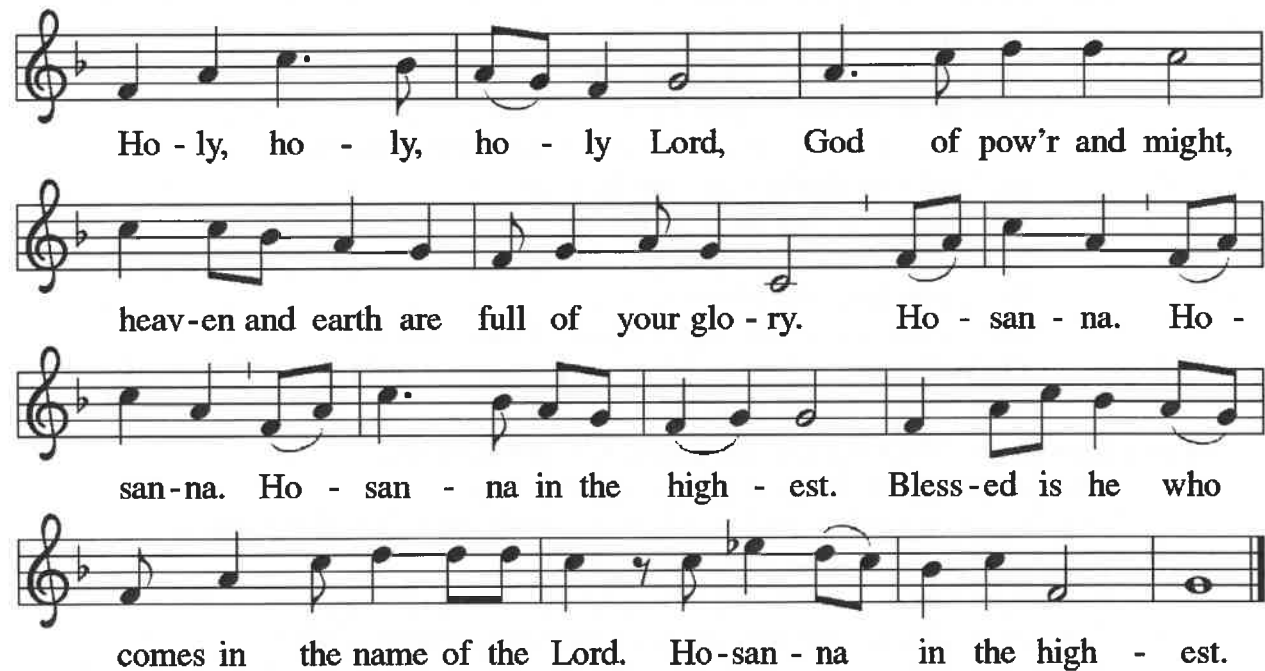


The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

PROPER PREFACE

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. 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

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.

Distribution Hymns

Here is Bread ELW #483

Come to the Table ELW #481

We Who Once Were Dead ELW #495

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION HYMN *Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands* ELW #370

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN *Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises* ELW #535

DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE *Glorious Majesty* — Lani Smith

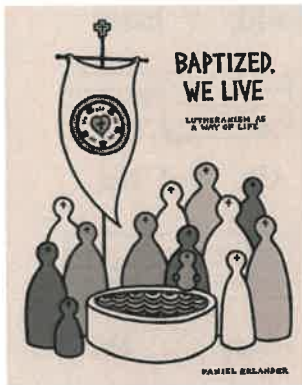
Jiyoung Lee

OSLC Announcements

Baptized We Live Class Starts on Sunday, April 16

A few months ago, Pr. Vaswig taught a new member class about the essentials of the Lutheran understanding of the Gospel using the booklet *Baptized We Live: Lutheranism As a Way of Life* by Dan Erlander.

It was such an engaging class with significant questions that class members suggested the whole congregation would benefit from participating. One class member donated money for many *Baptized We Live* books.



As a result, Pr. Vaswig will teach a new *Baptized We Live* series starting on Sunday, April 16 at 9:00 a.m. before worship.

Everyone in the class will receive the booklet free of charge. We hope to see you there!



Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Minister:	Pr. John L. Vaswig
Assisting Minister:	Joan Friel
Organist/Pianist:	Jiyoung Lee
Usher:	Bill Suttmeier
Altar Guild:	Stacy Smith
Sound / Videography:	Jonathan Smith/ David Hersey

Thanks for Easter Brunch!

A big THANK YOU to the many hands that made our brunch possible last week, under the able leadership of Suzanne D'Errico.



All those who helped plan, shop, cook, serve, set up (including those lovely flowers), and clean up are greatly appreciated!

Tent City 4's List of Needs

We are delighted to now have in our presence the good folks of Tent City 4. It is our privilege as a congregation to extend the love of Christ and the Spirit's hospitality. Please render a warm welcome to our guests.

Here is Tent City 4's list of greatest needs:

- AA and AAA batteries
- Battery-operated lanterns
- Clothing (men's sizes up to 3X and women's sizes up to XL—summer is coming!)
- Women's black yoga pants/jogger pants (L and XL)
- Personal hygiene products, including body/shower wipes
- Tents (nothing larger than 10' x 10')
- Camping cots
- Sponges, kitchen towels, and washcloths
- Bath towels



OSLC Announcements

Hygiene Collection for Vine Maple Place on April 16

On Sunday, April 16, the Community Outreach Committee will host a Hygiene Collection for Vine Maple Place. Their Hygiene Closet—that families in the housing program access—is very low. There will be a table in the narthex to drop items off and a box for cash or checks made out to “Vine Maple Place.” Thank you for donating!

Please choose from the following list of greatest hygiene needs to provide families escaping homelessness the ability to shower and keep a clean, safe home:

- Laundry detergent (liquid 32 oz size)
- Toilet paper
- Deodorant
- Tampons
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Dish soap (liquid)
- Paper towels



+ Share & Prayer +

*We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. You can make prayer requests via email at office@oslcssaquah.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)

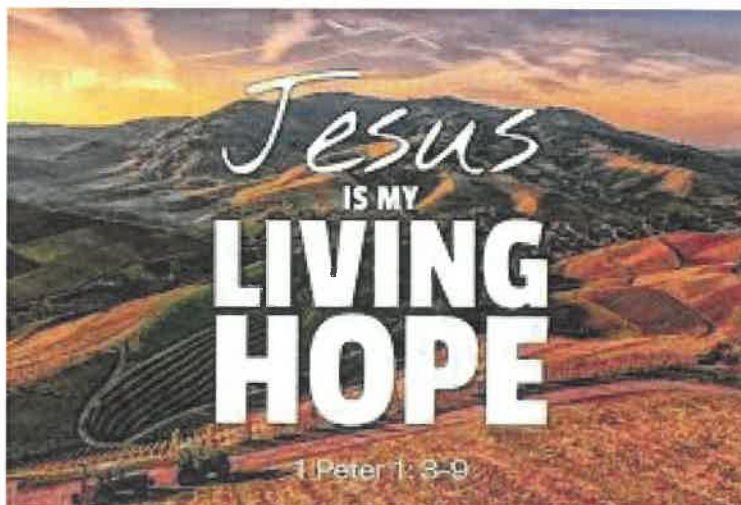
My mom Elizabeth Bachman, who entered hospice (Chuck Bachman)

My sister Inez, who entered hospice (Marlice Gilmore)

Bob Johnson, who is receiving treatment for cancer, **and his family**

John Hill, diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer, **and his family** (Marilyn Carlson)

Harold Mandt, who began hospice care (brother of Lorna Robertson)



This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY

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

APRIL 16TH — SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Spirit of Peace UCC
Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Fellowship Hall)

MONDAY

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

APRIL 17TH

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

TUESDAY

7:00 pm

7:45 pm

APRIL 18TH

Church Council (online)
Contact Chuck Bachman (bachmancj@hotmail.com) for Zoom info
AA — Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY

APRIL 19TH

THURSDAY

9:30 am
10:00 am
3:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

APRIL 20TH

Mission Quilters (Fellowship Hall)
Al Anon (Christian Education Room)
Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)
Boy Scout Troop 676 PLC (Anderson Hall)

FRIDAY

12:30 p.m.

APRIL 21ST

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

NEXT SUNDAY

10:00 am
11:00 am

APRIL 23RD — THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Fellowship Hall)

Emergency Pastoral Care

For emergency pastoral care, please contact
OSLC Transition Pastor John L. Vaswig
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