

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.

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
Sunday, May 14, 2023  
10:00 a.m.



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## HOLY COMMUNION

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

#### PRELUDE

*Dove of Peace* — Miller

Karla Stalwick

#### WELCOME

Pastor Larry Thomas

#### 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 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 HYMN

*Christ Is the King!*

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#### 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: *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.



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.



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.



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



PM: The Lord be with you.  
 C: And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

### MUSICAL OFFERING

Choral Ensemble

*Order My Steps* — Glenn Burleigh, arr. Jack Schrader

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

### FIRST READING

Acts 17:22-31

<sup>22</sup>Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. <sup>23</sup>For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup>From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup>so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup>For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we too are his offspring.'

<sup>29</sup>Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup>While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

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



**SECOND READING**

1 Peter 3:13-22

<sup>13</sup>Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. <sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Celtic Alleluia* (sing twice)**THE GOSPEL**

John 14:15-21

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup>"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. <sup>18</sup>"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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

**SERMON**

Pr. Larry Thomas

**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**

**PEACE**

**PM:** The Peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** And also with you.

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

### GREAT THANKSGIVING



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.

### PROPER PREFACE

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

### HOLY, HOLY



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

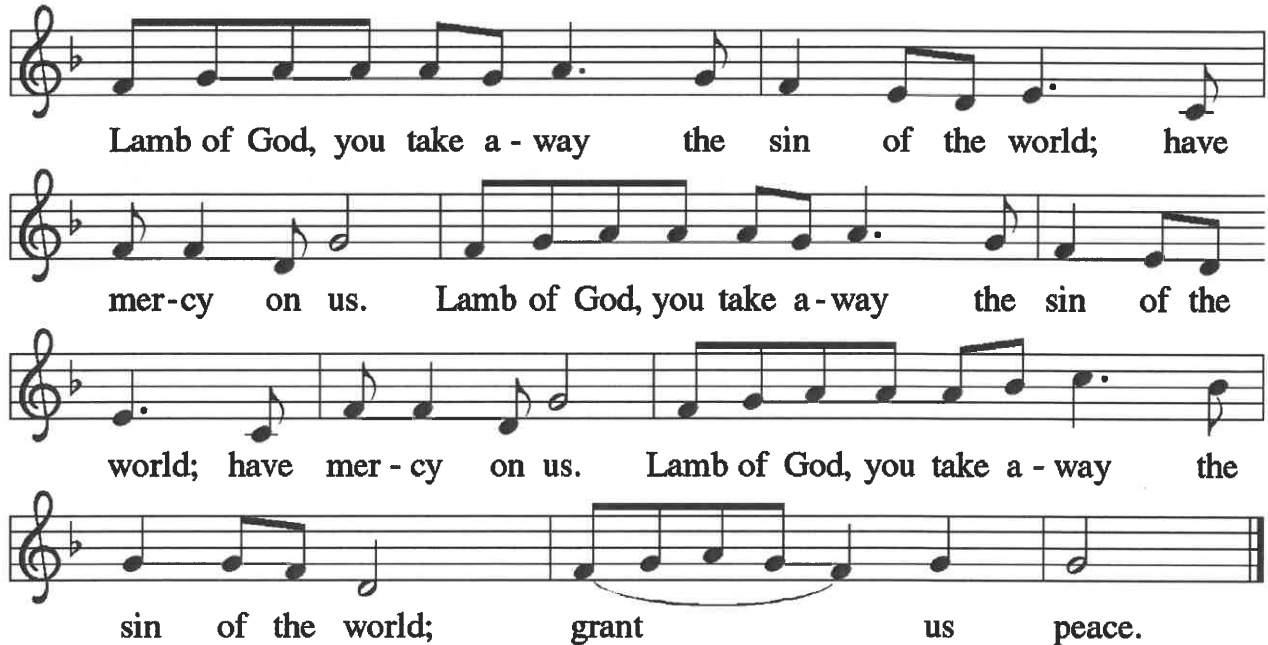
PM: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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

*Thee We Adore, O Savior* ELW #476

*Son of God, Eternal Savior* ELW #655

*Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak* ELW #676

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN:** *Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise*



☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev- 'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev- 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re- joice and proud- ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**BENEDICTION**

**SENDING HYMN**

*I Love to Tell the Story*

ELW #661

**DISMISSAL**

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

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE**

*Christ Lag in Todesbanden* — J. S. Bach

Karla Stalwick

# OSLC Announcements

## Diaper Drive Today

Today the Community Outreach Committee is holding a Diaper Drive for KidVantage/ Eastside Baby Corner.

KidVantage assists mothers in need with many things, but one of their biggest needs is diapers for their children.



Please help us support mothers this Mother's Day by donating diapers (any size) and diaper wipes.

We'll have a table in the Narthex to drop off your donations and a box for cash and check donations. Thank you!



## Tent City 4



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

- D batteries (for lanterns)
- Coffee (regular), creamer, and sugar
- Bottled water (individual)
- Bleach, cleaning, & disinfectant products
- Tarps 20'x 20' (waterproof)
- Clothing (men's sizes up to 3X and women's sizes up to XL) (used is okay)
- Women's black yoga pants/jogger pants (L and XL)
- Personal hygiene products, including body/shower wipes
- Tents (not larger than 10' x 10')
- Camping cots
- Sponges, kitchen towels, and washcloths
- Bath towels

Please put donations in the box in the Narthex labeled "Tent City 4 Donations." Thanks for your generosity!



# OSLC Announcements

## No Baptized We Live Class on May 14

Please Note: There will be no *Baptized We Live* class today while Pr. Vaswig is out of town. The class will resume on Sunday, May 21 @ 9:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall.



## Puppet Show Today

Today there will be a puppet show in Anderson Hall following worship.



## Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Minister:	Pr. Larry Thomas
Assisting Minister:	Jen Winslow
Organist/Pianist:	Karla Stalwick
Usher:	Sang-Beom Shim
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](mailto:office@oslcissaquah.org). 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)
- ◆ **Bob Johnson**, who is receiving treatment for cancer, **and his family**
- ◆ **John Hill**, who was diagnosed with Stage 4 Glioblastoma and is receiving daily treatment, **and his family** (Marilyn Carlson)
- ◆ **Millie Pankratz**, as she transitions into a senior living community (mother of Marilyn Carlson)
- ◆ **Bob**, preparing for heart surgery (cousin of Karen Hansen)
- ◆ **Ayden Wallitner**, who's at home recovering after surgeries (4-year-old grand-nephew of Sandy Aldworth)
- ◆ **Nancy Cumming**
- ◆ **Bonnie Shearer and her family** as she transitions to memory care (Marilyn Carlson)

## Mourning the death of loved ones:

Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.

- ◆ **Harold Mandt** (brother of Lorna Robertson and Mary Ann Hult)
- ◆ **My mom Elizabeth Bachman** (Chuck Bachman)
- ◆ **My sister Inez** (Marlice Gilmore)
- ◆ **Darlene Derosier** (aunt of Marilyn Carlson)
- ◆ **Sherry Grindelwald and family** as they mourn her husband (Marilyn Carlson)



# This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

## TODAY

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

## **MAY 14 — SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (PR. LARRY THOMAS)**

*Spirit of Peace UCC*  
**Worship Service (Sanctuary)**  
**Coffee & Fellowship Hour with Puppet Show (Anderson Hall)**

## MONDAY

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

## **MAY 15**

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

## TUESDAY

7:00 p.m.

7:45 p.m.

## **MAY 16**

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

## WEDNESDAY

4:00 p.m.

## **MAY 17**

*Memorial for Pat Sayed (Spirit of Peace UCC) (Sanctuary and Anderson Hall)*

## THURSDAY

9:30 a.m.  
10:00 a.m.  
1:00 p.m.

## **MAY 18**

**Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)**  
*Al-Anon (Education Room)*  
**Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)**

## FRIDAY

12:30 p.m.

## **MAY 19**

**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.

## **MAY 21 — SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Baptized We Live Class (Anderson Hall)**  
*Spirit of Peace UCC*  
**Worship Service (Sanctuary)**  
**Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)**

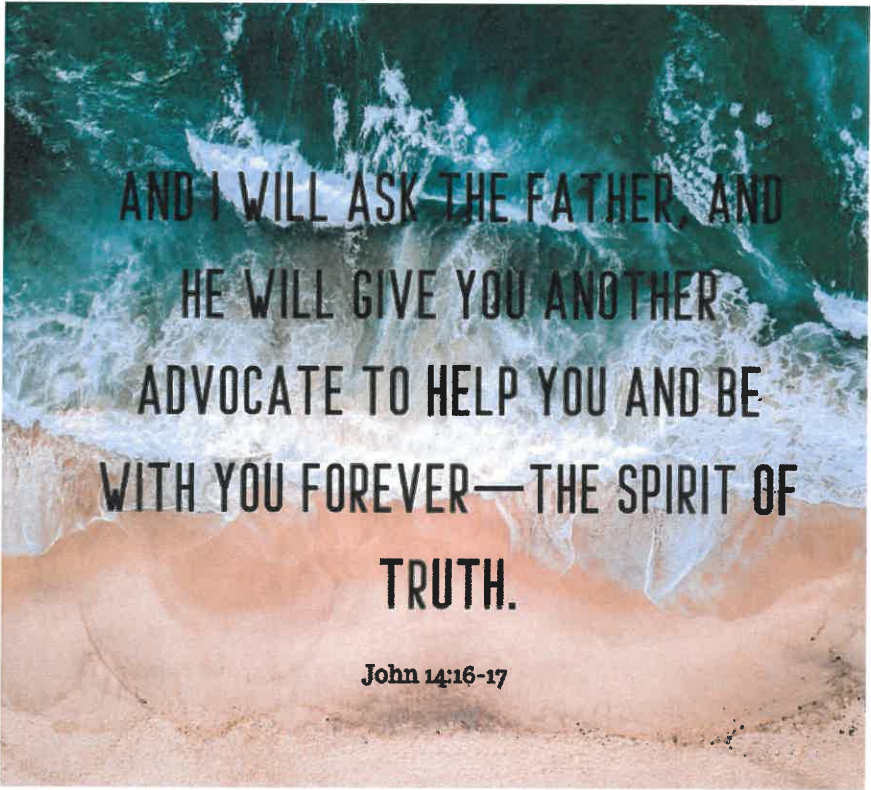


**Emergency Pastoral Care**  
For emergency pastoral care from May 4-19  
(while Pr. Vaswig is out of town),  
please contact Pr. Larry Thomas  
at 425-802-1212 or ledgarthomas@gmail.com.









AND I WILL ASK THE FATHER, AND  
HE WILL GIVE YOU ANOTHER  
ADVOCATE TO HELP YOU AND BE  
WITH YOU FOREVER—THE SPIRIT OF  
TRUTH.

John 14:16-17

