

# **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.

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The term *Pentecost* comes from a Greek word meaning "fiftieth." It refers to the festival celebrated on the fiftieth day after Passover. In Christian tradition, Pentecost represents fulfillment of the promise that Christ will baptize his followers with the Holy Spirit.

## **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Sunday, August 13, 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

Tallis Canon — Arr. Burkhardt

Karla Stalwick

WELCOME

Pastor John L. Vaswig

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

PM: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin, and heals our lives.

C: Amen.

PM: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Have mercy, O God,

C: against you, you alone, we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us. Amen.

PM: As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you, forgiving your sins and renewing your life through Jesus Christ. Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

C: Blessed be God forever.

**OPENING HYMN** 

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

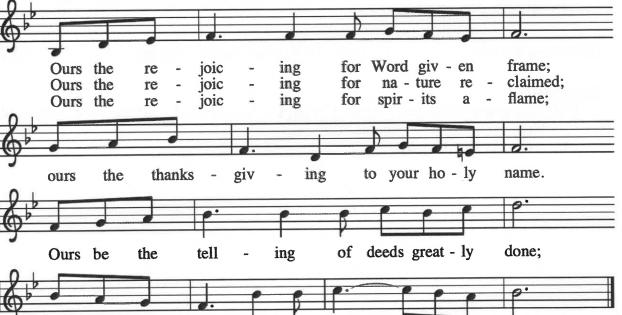
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#### GREETING

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.





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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 1 Kings 19:9-18

<sup>9</sup>At [Horeb, the mount of God,][Elijah] came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>10</sup>He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

<sup>11</sup>He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup>When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." 15 Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. <sup>16</sup>Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. <sup>17</sup>Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. <sup>18</sup>Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

SECOND READING Romans 10:5-15

<sup>5</sup>Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." <sup>6</sup>But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>"or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say?

"The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); 9because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. 11The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." 12For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. 13For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the

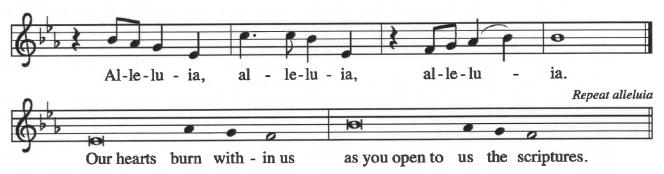
Lord shall be saved."

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

AM: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



THE GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

<sup>22</sup>[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

<sup>28</sup>Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup>When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

PM: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pr. John L. Vaswig

SILENCE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Here I Am, Lord

ELW #574

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AM: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

#### 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**

PM: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PM: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

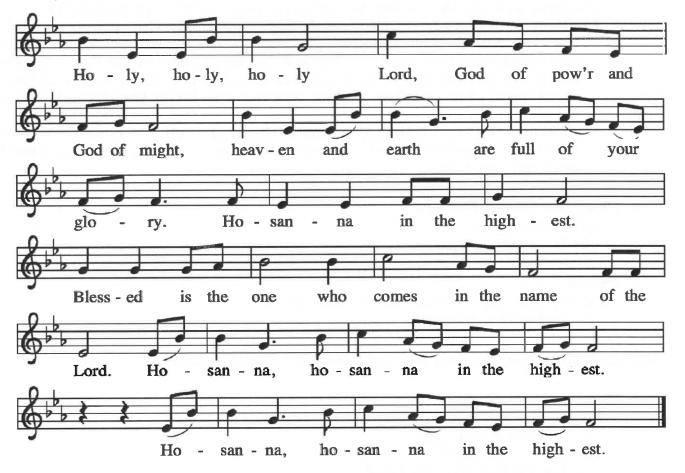
PM: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

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

# HOLY, HOLY



#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

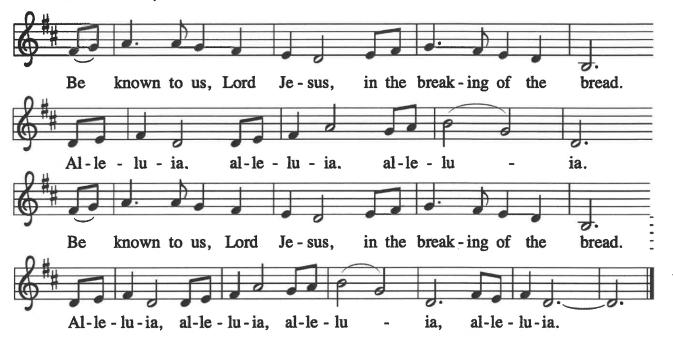
PM: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

# BE KNOWN TO US, LORD JESUS



# **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

As the Grains of Wheat ELW #465

Be Still for the Presence of the Lord (see insert)

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling ELW #608

## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

SILENCE

**BENEDICTION** 

SENDING HYMN

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

ELW #674

**DISMISSAL** 

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

The God of Abraham Praise — Arr. Langlois

Karla Stalwick

# **OSLC Announcements**

# Soundboard/Video System Operators Needed

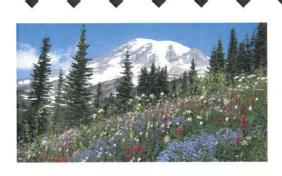
Volunteers are needed to help run the soundboard and video system for Sunday services and periodic mid-week memorial services.

Video streaming is especially important to our members who are unable to worship with us in person. Please thoughtfully consider serving OSLC in this way. Contact Jonathan Smith at (jsmith109@hotmail.com) to arrange a time for hands-on training.



# **Puppet Show Today**

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



# **Serving in Worship Today**

Presiding Minister: Assisting Minister: Organist/Pianist: Usher: Altar Guild:

Altar Guild: Sound / Videography: Pr. John L. Vaswig Connie Fletcher Karla Stalwick Sang-Beom Shim Jane Wuest Jonathan Smith

# Tent City 4 (TC4)

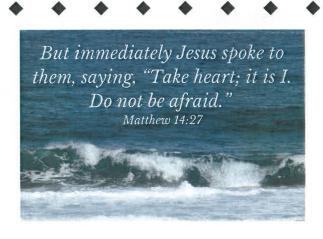
# **TC4's Greatest Needs**

- Coffee, creamer, and sugar
- Paper plates, bowls, and cups
- Napkins
- Multi-surface cleaner
- ♦ 30-gallon and 13-gallon garbage bags
- Plastic zip ties (long ones)
- Baby wipes (alcohol-free, unscented)

Please put donations in the box in the Narthex labeled "Tent City 4 Donations." If you wish to give a financial donation, please put checks (make it out to OSLC and note it's for TC4) in the weekly offering during worship. Thanks for your generosity!

# **Provide a Meal for Tent City 4 (TC4)**

We're looking for groups or individuals to provide an evening meal for about 25 people at TC4. If you're interested, please go to <a href="https://www.sharewheel.org/tent-city-4">https://www.sharewheel.org/tent-city-4</a> and look at the calendar to see which dates need meals. To sign up, send an email to tc4@sharewheel.org with the date you'd like to provide a meal, and you'll be added to the calendar. Please email Cheryl Leiter—cheryl.a.leiter@gmail.com—if you have any questions. Thanks!



# **OSLC Announcements**

# Picnic & Worship at the Lake on Wednesday, August 16

Because of inclement weather on August 9, next Wednesday, August 16 at 5:30 p.m. will be our first summer gathering at Lake Sammamish with Spirit of Peace UCC. On August 16, Pr. Vaswig will lead worship after dinner, and on August 23, Pr. Jenn Hagedorn will lead. It's a joyous and peaceful time of fellowship and faith in nature.

The church supplies hot dogs, condiments, drinks, utensils, and s'more fixings. Please bring a salad or dessert to share if you're able, as well as a camping chair to sit on.

There's a fire pit for s'mores and a sandy beach for wading or swimming. If you'd like, you can stay to watch the sunset over the lake.

It's located at 4405 E
Lake Sammamish Parkway SE in Issaquah, just
past Lake Sammamish
Park's boat-loading ramp
road, and then turn onto
SE 44th Street toward
the lake. There will be an
OSLC sign on the main
road. We hope to see you
there!



# Mourning the Death of Loved Ones: Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.

- Thomas Andersen (brother of Jean Pass)
- Justin Roof (grandson of Florence Kinnune)
- Lucille Hersey
- Donna Walker

# + Share & Prayer +

We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. You can make prayer requests via email at 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 is receiving treatment for cancer, and his family (Marilyn Carlson)
- **Bob**, for recovery following a heart procedure (cousin of Karen Hansen)
- ◆ **John Hansen**, for wholeness and healing (Rita Hansen)
- Dianne Tanner, for healing, strength, and peace through her ongoing treatment
- ◆ Lars & Rachel, that the Holy Spirit will invade their lives (family of Dave Carlson)
- ♦ **Steve Pert,** Tent City 4 Organizer, who is recovering following a heart attack and stent procedure (Pr. Jenn Hagedorn)
- Jacob Carlson, for healing and wholeness, and his family (nephew of Dave Carlson)
- Hortense Bekker, for God's peace, comfort, and wholeness (family of Dave Carlson)
- ♦ **Gene Christianson,** who has cancer (cousin of Duane Jacobson)
- Helen Nychay, for recovery following a heart procedure
- Mike, who has been diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer (friend of Jane Wuest)

# This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY AUGUST 13 — ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship Hour with Puppet Show (Anderson Hall)

MONDAY AUGUST 14

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

**TUESDAY** AUGUST 15

7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting (online)

Contact Chuck Bachman (bachmancj@aol.com) for Zoom info.

7:45 p.m. AA - Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 16

5:30 p.m. Picnic and Worship at Lake Sammamish

THURSDAY AUGUST 17

10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (Education Room)

1:00 p.m. Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 676 PLC (Anderson Hall)

FRIDAY AUGUST 18

12:30 p.m. Companions Bible Study Group (online)

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

NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 20 — TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. 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.

