



OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
745 FRONT STREET SOUTH

Sunday Worship 10:00AM

Spirit of Peace UCC - Sunday Worship 9:30AM

Sundays after Pentecost



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.

ABOUT THE LITURGICAL ARTS INSTALLATION: "50"

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.

**Seventeenth Sunday after
Pentecost**
Sunday, September 24, 2023
10:00 a.m.



OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
745 Front Street S, Issaquah, WA 98027
425-392-4169

HOLY COMMUNION

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

PRELUDE *The Ash Grove* — G. Winston Cassler and David Lasky Jiyoung Lee

WELCOME Pr. John L. Vaswig

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

PM: Blessed be God, the one who forms us, † Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C: Amen.

PM: Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Steadfast and faithful God,

C: you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PM: Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.

In † Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

ELW #408

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.

KYRIE


Refrain




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the




u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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

Jonah 3:10—4:11

¹⁰When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

^{4:1}But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the Lord and said, “O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” ⁴And the Lord said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” ⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

⁹But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” ¹⁰Then the Lord said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

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

SECOND READING

Philippians 1:21-30

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

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

SERMON

Pr. John L. Vaswig

SILENCE

HYMN OF THE DAY

All Who Love and Serve Your City

ELW #724

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: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

PASSING OF THE 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.

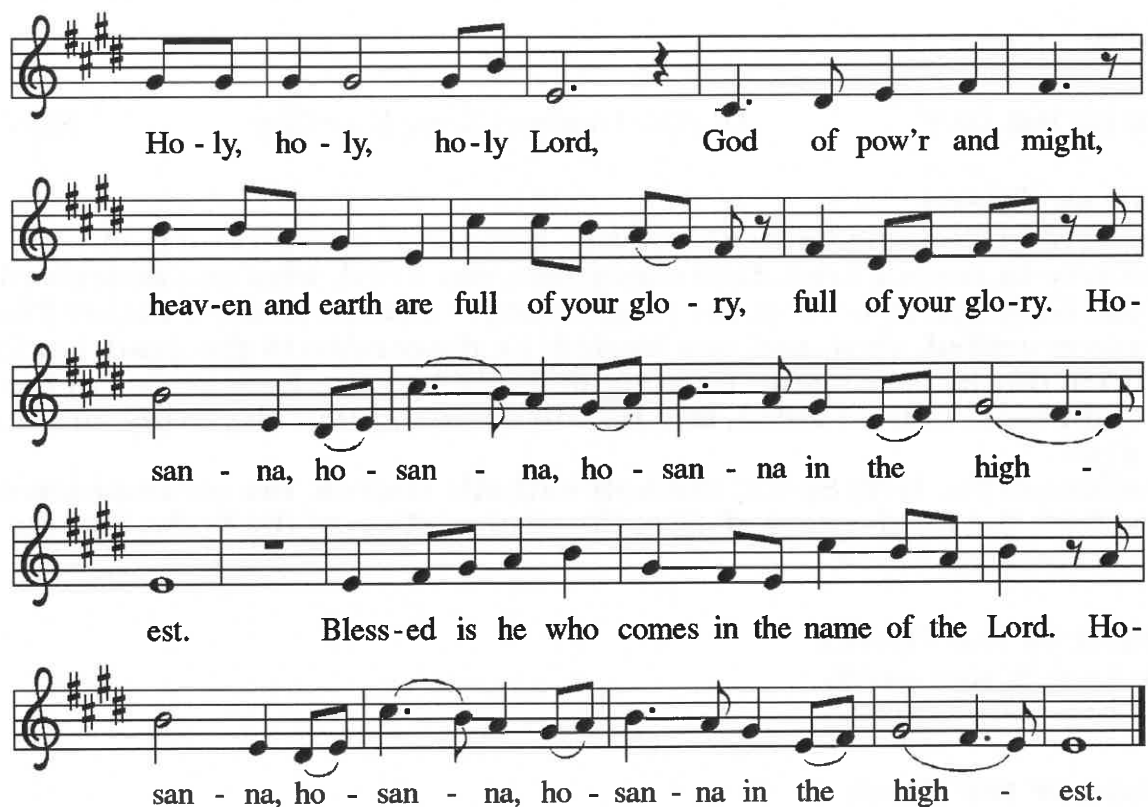
PM: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, 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, ho - san - na, 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, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Let Us Bring Bread Together ELW #471

By Your Hand You Feed Your People ELW #469

Borning Cry ELW #732

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

SILENCE

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity

ELW #412

DISMISSAL

AM: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

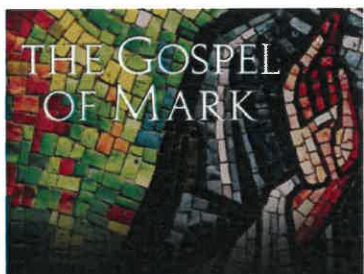
Wade in the Water — Barbara Harbach

Jiyoung Lee

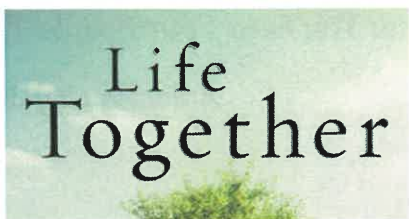
OSLC Announcements

Adult Education Classes

The Gospel of Mark: Please join us on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for Conversations with St. Mark classes in Anderson Hall.



Life Together: You're encouraged to bring your lunch and your Bible on Thursdays at 12 p.m. in Anderson Hall for a conversation about the book of Colossians.



Schedule Change for the Companions Bible Study Group

The Companions Bible Study Group will meet on **Mondays** from 3:00-4:30 p.m. on Zoom (instead of Fridays @ noon). Contact Jen Winslow (jenwinmv@outlook.com) for Zoom info.



Tent City 4

TC4's Greatest Needs (as of Sept. 20)

To help stay warm and dry (needed in men's and women's sizes):

- ◆ Hooded rain jackets
- ◆ Rain boots
- ◆ Thermal underwear
- ◆ Thick socks
- ◆ Water-resistant gloves
- ◆ Hand and toe warmers
- ◆ Blankets, sleeping mats, and cots

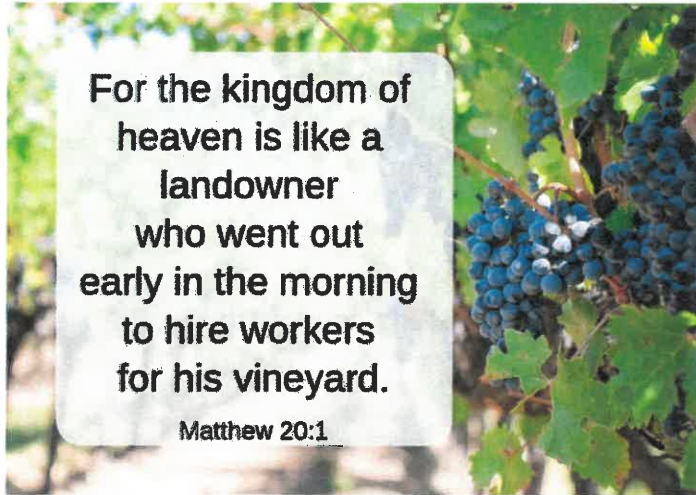
Other needs:

- ◆ Ibuprofen, Acetaminophen, Neosporin, and Anbesol (tooth pain relief)
- ◆ D and AAA batteries
- ◆ Laundry detergent
- ◆ Coffee, creamer, and sugar
- ◆ Canned dog food (for a small dog w/ health issues)
- ◆ Baby wipes (alcohol-free, unscented)
- ◆ Clorox wipes
- ◆ Plastic zip ties (long ones) and twine
- ◆ 50-gallon and 13-gallon garbage bags
- ◆ Paper plates, bowls, and cups
- ◆ Plastic forks, knives, and spoons
- ◆ Napkins and paper towels
- ◆ For someone with a truck to help TC4 residents pick up plastic pallets at the Issaquah Food Bank (pallets to be placed under tents to keep them off the ground): please call the TC4 cell phone @ 206-618-3901 to set it up.

Provide a Meal for Tent City 4 (TC4)

If you'd like to provide an evening meal for about 25 people at TC4, please go to <https://www.sharewheel.org/tent-city-4> and look at the calendar to see which dates need meals. To sign up, send an email to Steve Pert at tc4@sharewheel.org with the date you'd like to provide a meal, and you'll be added to the calendar.

OSLC Announcements



Parking Lot and Church Sign Lights

The Building and Grounds Committee is happy to announce that we have our new LED parking lot and sign lights installed and working. Let there be light!



Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Minister:	Pr. John L. Vaswig
Assisting Minister:	Jen Winslow
Organist/Pianist:	Jiyoung Lee
Usher:	Larry Thomas
Altar Guild:	Jane Wuest
Sound/Videography:	Jonathan Smith

+ 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)
- ◆ **Dianne Tanner**, for healing, strength, and peace through her ongoing treatment
- ◆ **Gene Christianson**, who has cancer (cousin of Duane Jacobson)
- ◆ **Mike**, who has been diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer (friend of Jane Wuest)
- ◆ **Deborah**, a 13-year-old orphan at Songea's Kids in Tanzania (a ministry started by a member of Shepherd of the Hills), who has cancer (Marlice Gilmore)
- ◆ **Margot Inman**, for healing
- ◆ **Connie Fletcher**, for recovery following cataract surgeries
- ◆ **Treasure Hinds**, for recovery after surgery amid continuing health problems (daughter of Rowan and Barbara Hinds)
- ◆ **Bob & Sue Samson** (Marilyn Carlson)
- ◆ **Debby Beck**, for healing
- ◆ **Dave Bachman**, for recovery from surgery (brother of Chuck Bachman)



This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY

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

SEPTEMBER 24 — SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Conversations with St. Mark Class (Anderson Hall)
Spirit of Peace UCC
Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

MONDAY

10:30 a.m.
3:00 p.m.

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

SEPTEMBER 25

Congregational Care Ministry (Library)
Companions Bible Study Group (online)
Contact Jen Winslow (jenwinmv@outlook.com) for Zoom info.
Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)
Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY

7:45 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 26

AA — Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 27

Memorial Bells Practice (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY

9:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 28

Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)
Al-Anon (Education Room)
Life Together Study: Book of Colossians (Anderson Hall)

NEXT SUNDAY

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

OCTOBER 1 — EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Conversations with St. Mark Class (Anderson Hall)
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
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