

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

VISION

Burning with the Spirit of Christ in us, we are called to serve our neighbors. In following Jesus' teaching and example, we at Our Savior Lutheran Church will feed souls through worship, word, and witness while feeding our neighbor with our hands and actions.

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.

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, as you are able. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

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.

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: 40 + 1 Drops 40 days of rain. 40 days in the wilderness. 40 years of wandering. 1 drop that changed everything.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 18, 2024 10:00 a.m.



Our Savior Lutheran Church

745 Front Street South Issaquah, WA 98027 425-392-4169

HOLY COMMUNION

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

PRELUDE

Simple Gifts—Held

Karla Stalwick

WELCOME

Pr. Olaf Baumann

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW 522

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING Proverbs 9:1-6

¹Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars.

²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.

³She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, ⁴"You that are simple, turn in here!"

To those without sense she says,

5"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.

⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:9-14

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.

¹¹Come, children, and listen to me;

I will teach you reverence for the LORD.

12Who among you takes pleasure in life and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?

¹³Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from lying words.

¹⁴Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

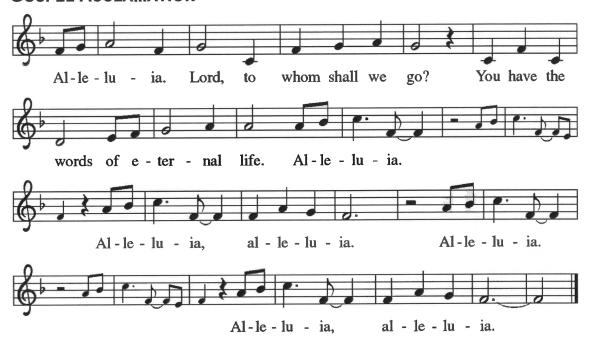
SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:15-20

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL John 6:51-58

The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] 51"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

52The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" 53So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; 55for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. 56Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. 57Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. 58This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann

HYMN OF THE DAY

SERMON

Bread of Life from Heaven

ELW 474

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

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

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

OFFERTORY Pr. Olaf Bauman

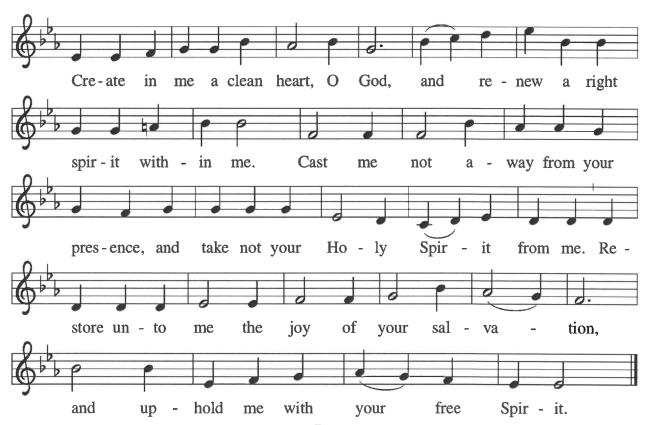
We'll pass the plate, so please place your offering in the basket when it reaches you. You can also give through our website, oslcissaquah.org.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Italian Hymn—Krapf

Karla Stalwick

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART



DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

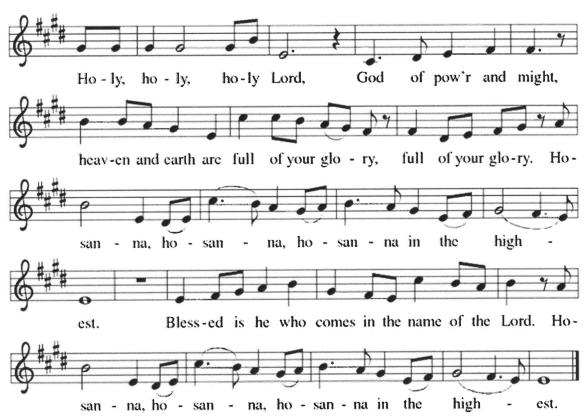
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE WITH WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Invitation to Communion

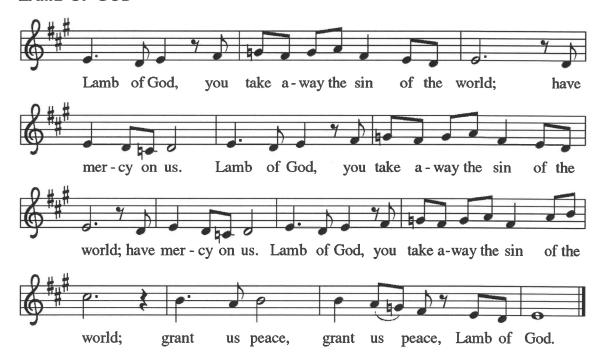
Taste and see that the Lord is good.

KNEELING COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Please follow the guidance of the ushers and line up in the center aisle as usual. Proceed to stand or kneel at the communion rail starting on the right side at the back. Fill the rail from right to left until the rail is full. When the rail is full, please wait in the center aisle until people leave.

When people have left, fill the rail starting again on the right side at the back. If a person needs longer, please wait until that person is finished. DO NOT line up to the left of the person, even if space is already available. Please be patient and give everyone the time they need. Communion will be served when the rail is full.

LAMB OF GOD



DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness ELW 488

Let Us Break Bread Together ELW 471

I Am the Bread of Life ELW 485

COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

SENDING HYMN

ELW 544

DISMISSAL

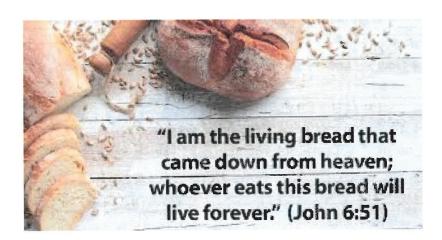
Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Come, O Almighty King-Kosche

Karla Stalwick



Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Minister
Pr. Claf Baumann
Preacher
Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann
Assisting Minister:
Organist:
Usher:
Karla Stalwick
Rob G. and Bill S.
Altar Guild:
Jane W.
Sound/Videography: Gabby G. and Tom K.

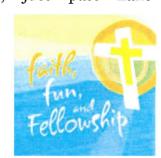
OSLC Announcements

Final Picnic and Worship at the Lake on August 21

Wednesday, August 21 from 6-7:30 p.m. will be our final picnic at Lake Sammamish for this summer. We'll be joined by Spirit of Peace. Please bring a salad or dessert to share if you're able, and don't forget to bring a camping chair to sit in. The church supplies hot dogs, condiments, drinks, and utensils. We'll have a worship service after the meal.

We'll meet at 4405 E Lake Sammamish Parkway SE in Issaguah, 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. Hope to see you there!



Backpack Blessing Kits on August 25

In preparation for the new school year, we will have little bags with backpack tags, a simple blessing, as well as some other goodies ready for you to take home for your children and grandchildren next Sunday, August 25.

Let's bless all students, teachers, helpers, and caregivers in the new school year!



A Big Thank You from the Community Outreach Committee

Thank you for all your generous food, hygiene, and monetary donations for the Issaquah Food Bank. In addition to all the food and hygiene items pictured in this photo, we raised \$1,260!

Also this month, Community Outreach was able to give the Issaquah Schools Foundation's (ISF) Tools for School Program a donation of \$500.00 from our designated funds. ISF is holding an event this week for children in need of school supplies, backpacks, and clothing so they start the school year off right. Your contributions are a blessing to our community!



OSLC Announcements

Memorial Service for Ray Harbolt, TOMORROW, August 19



The memorial service for Ray will be held in the sanctuary tomorrow, Monday, August 19 at 11:00 a.m., followed by a luncheon reception in Anderson Hall. Ray and his late wife Carol were members of OSLC for 55 years, and we hope you can attend. Thank you!

Volunteers will be setting up for the reception following coffee hour today.

Becoming Better Stewards: Composting and Recycling

Thanks for your efforts to recycle and compost items here at OSLC. It makes a big difference! The new bulletin board in Anderson Hall shows examples of what items are good to go into recycling and compost bins, and what items need to go into the garbage. When in doubt, throw it out.

Please use the bins below the bulletin board—blue for recycling, green for compost, and black for garbage to dispose of items correctly. Also, you'll see more signs and labeled bins around the church to make recycling, compost, and garbage as clear as possible. Green compost bins are in the bathrooms (for paper towels) as well as in the kitchen and Anderson Hall.

On Sunday, September 29, Lauren Herber, a Waste Zero Specialist from Recology King County, will be at coffee hour to offer education, flyers, handouts, and games for church members.

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Cynthia at office@oslcissaquah.org.

+ Share & Prayer +

We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. You can send your prayer requests via email to office@oslcissaquah.org. A complete list of prayers can be found in the Focus newsletter each month.

- ◆ Bob J., who is receiving treatment for cancer, and his family
- ◆ **Dianne T.,** for healing, strength, and peace through her ongoing treatment
- ♦ **Diane M.**, who is in a rehab center
- ◆ Cynthia D., for healing of the hairline fracture in her right arm
- Wendy W., for a successful surgery and recovery
- Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee, who continues her recovery from influenza, bacterial pneumonia, viral pneumonia, and sepsis
- ◆ **Ruben N.**, for healing of the severe burns on his foot (Connie F.)
- ♦ Hunter S., for recovery following a bad motorcycle accident (Marilyn C.)
- ◆ Jean R., who has terminal cancer (Lois D.)
- ♠ Rich T., for health and comfort as he faces cancer (long-time friend of Lyle & Alice L.)



Mourning the death of loved ones: Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.

Ray Harbolt

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY AUGUST 18—THIRTEENTH 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)

12:00 p.m. Set-up for Harbolt Luncheon Reception (Anderson Hall)

12:30 p.m. New Creation Church (Downstairs)

MONDAY AUGUST 19

11:00 a.m. Memorial Service and Luncheon Reception for Ray Harbolt

(Sanctuary and Anderson Hall)

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

TUESDAY AUGUST 20

7:00 p.m. **Executive Committee (Zoom)**

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

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 21

10:00 a.m. Worship Planning Committee (Zoom)

6:00 p.m. Picnic and Worship at the Lake (Lake Sammamish)

THURSDAY AUGUST 22

9:30 am Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

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

12:30 p.m. Autumn Wisdom Group (Anderson Hall)

NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 25—FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC

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

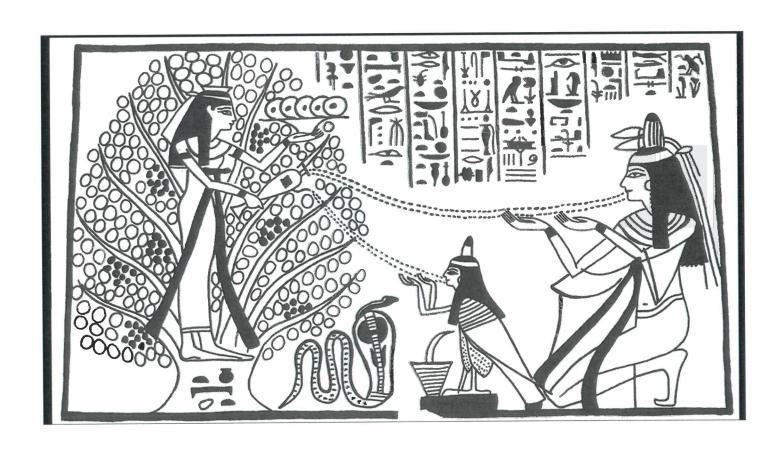
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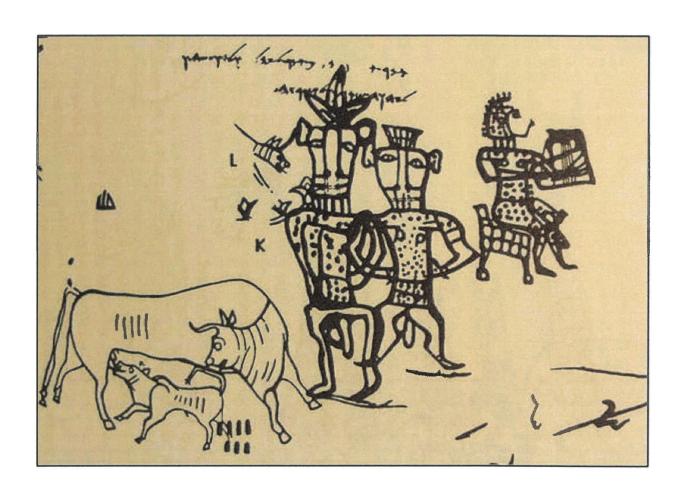
Emergency Pastoral Care

For emergency pastoral care, please contact Pr. Olaf Baumann at 360-912-1830 or Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann at 360-912-1245.





An Egyptian example of the common "trinity" of sacred tree-goddess-serpent also appearing in the Eden story. Here Nut as tree goddess nourishes the deceased and the deceased's ba. The serpent is in its common guardian role, in an erect posture. From Nils Billing, Nut: The Goddess of Life in Text and Iconography, fig. F.3.



On an ancient trade route in the south of Israel, in an artistic atelier of the eighth century BC, at a place now called Kuntillet 'Ajrud, a potsherd was found showing the drawing of a couple, a man and a wife, accompanied in the background by a female lyre player. Above the drawing we read: "... by Yahweh of Somron (Samaria) and his Asherah," in Mark Kresel, "Yahweh," *Theological Anthropology*, June 19, 2014, http://theologicalanthropology.com/alphabet-of-love/2014/6/18/yahweh.