



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION



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 around the communion rail. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and line up in the center aisle. Proceed to stand or kneel at the communion rail starting at the far back. Left side of sanctuary should go to the left rail, and right side to right rail. When the rail is full, wait in the center aisle until people leave.

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.

Fifth Sunday of Season of Creation Sunday, September 29, 2024 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

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling—Culli

Karla Stalwick

WELCOME

Pr. Olaf Baumann

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us worship God, who gifted us with life and Creation to sustain life.

We praise God for the wondrous Creation.

Come, let us follow Lord Jesus Christ, who inspires us to hope and act for justice and righteousness.

We give glory to God, who restores the groaning Creation and the vulnerable. Come let us move with the Holy Spirit, striving to establish justice and produce the firstfruits of hope.

We praise God for the abundant life that is assured to all Creation.

Heavenly Triune God and Creator of all, we gather here, made in the image of the Creator, **Who created in love.**

We gather in the name of the redeemer, our Savior Jesus Christ,

Who reconciles all of Creation.

We gather in the presence of the life Giver, your Holy Spirit,

Who inspires new life and instills hope.

(Credit: World Council of Churches, Eco-School at the Orthodox Academy of Crete, Greece, 11-18 November 2023)

OPENING HYMN

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word

ELW 520

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 Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

⁴The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! ⁵We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; ⁶but now our strongth is dried are and these is nothing at all but this property and the said are an are all the said are all the said are are all the said are an are all the said are all the said are all the said are are all the said are all the

strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

¹¹ºMoses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹²Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child, to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors'? ¹³Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' ¹⁴I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. ¹⁵If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery."

¹⁶So the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of

meeting, and have them take their place there with you."

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 19:7-14

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul:

the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;

the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,

and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's own offenses?

Cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over

then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in vour sight,

O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

James 5:13-20 SECOND READING

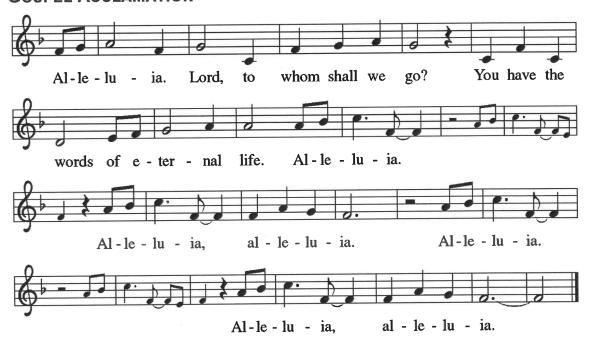
¹³Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. 14Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. 18Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, 20you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wan-

dering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Thanks be to God. The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL Mark 9:38-41

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

³⁸John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

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

SERMON Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

ELW 490

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Season of Creation 2024)

Let us recite this affirmation of faith together. **We have faith**

HYMN OF THE DAY

in one God, one Source of all life,

one Ground of the whole Earth,

who created all things good.

And we have faith

in Christ, in whom we have been shown the special role of humanity to bear

God's likeness in working and caring for Creation,

in seeking to understand her mysteries and powers,

in working with these powers

for the wellbeing of life on Earth.

And we have faith

in God's Spirit who leads us to a meek, unselfish and compassionate lifestyle.

So that the Earth is inherited in peace,

her life is transformed for all creatures and her bounty shared justly.

So be it. Amen.

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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.

OFFERING STATEMENT

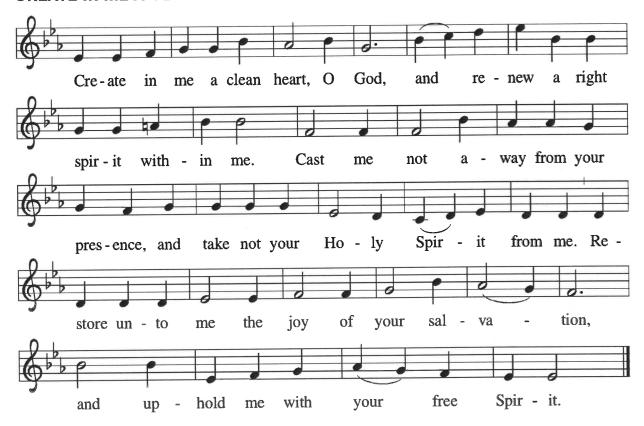
Pr. Olaf Baumann

OFFERTORY MUSIC

A Poor Wayfaring Man of Grief—James Montgomery, Arr. Marshall McDonald and Steven Sharp Nelson

Debra Zadinsky, Violin Karla Stalwick, Piano

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART



OFFERING PRAYER

God of truth and justice:

Fill us with your spirit of compassion so we may live and act with and in solidarity with Creation.

Guide us in paths of righteousness that help us to tread softly on the land and sail gently on the sea.

Give us wisdom and courage to recognize our role in the evil of systemic exploitation and extraction and to speak truth to power.

Give us strength of heart and arm to be agents of the ecological conversion the world so desperately needs.

May we hope and act with Creation. Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

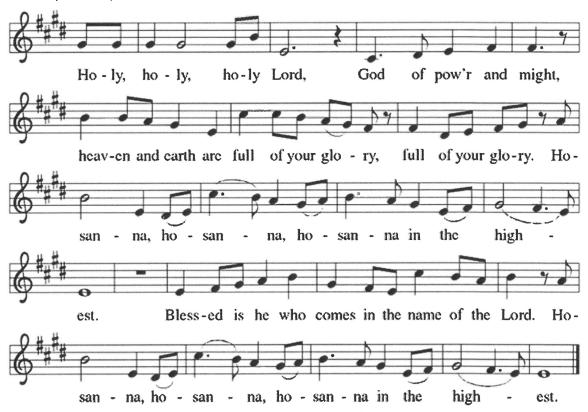
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

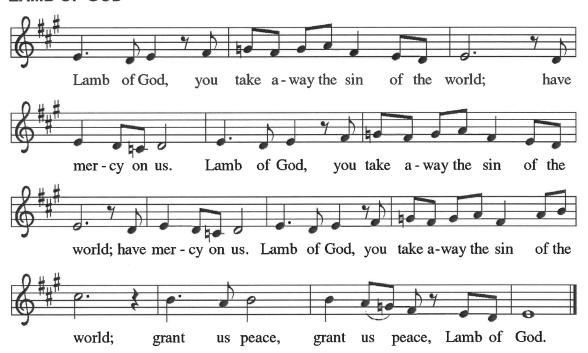
Taste and see that the Lord is good.

KNEELING COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Please follow the guidance of the ushers and line up in the center aisle. Proceed to stand or kneel at the communion rail **starting at the far back**. **Left side of sanctuary should go to the left rail, and right side to right rail.** When the rail is full, wait in the center aisle until people leave.

When people have left, fill the rail again as before. (Left side to left rail, and right to right.) If a person needs longer, please wait until that person has finished. Do not line up at the rail to the left of a person from the previous group who has not yet been served, even if space is available. Please be patient and give everyone the time they need. Communion will be served clockwise as the rail fills.

LAMB OF GOD



DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Now We Join in Celebration ELW 462

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup ELW 492

Healer of Our Every Ill ELW 612

COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

May God who can set Creation free, show us his glory.

Glory to God.

May God who knows our groaning and crying, bring about new life.

Now and always.

May God who helps us in our weakness, give us the firstfruits of hope.

The Lord is our hope.

And may the Triune God sprinkle into our hearts the dew of his grace and bless us all.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

On Eagle's Wings

ELW 787

DISMISSAL

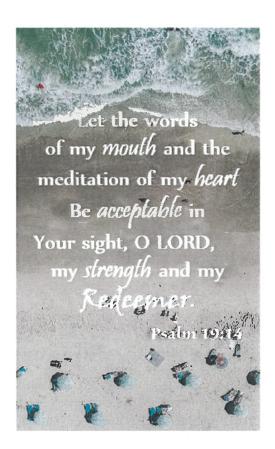
Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Westminster Abbey—Cherwien

Karla Stalwick



OSLC Announcements

Final Week of Season of Creation Events

Sunday, September 29

*Labyrinth Gathering with Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann: Blessed Are the Peacemakers, 2:00-3:00 p.m.: *An invitation to gather in the labyrinth and hold people in war-torn areas in our thoughts and prayers.*

Thursday, October 3

*Open Studio with Janice King, OSLC Atelier, Ground Floor, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



Friday, October 4

*Family Workshop: Tree Collages with Janice King, OSLC Anderson Hall, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

*Closing Celebration and Artist Talk, Anderson Hall, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 21-Sunday, October 6: Labyrinth Open, OSLC Meadow Lantern illumination nightly from 7:00-9:00 p.m.





To learn more about events or to RSVP, go to https://www.issaquaharts.org/sanctuary. Scroll down to Workshops and Gatherings and click the RSVP tab below the box of the event you want to attend. All events are listed there. **RSVP is not required for free events, but we would love to know you're coming!**



Learn about Reducing Waste with Lauren from Recology

TODAY, 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. She'll also answer your questions about recycling and composting at home or at OSLC. Thanks for your ongoing efforts to reduce our amount of trash. It makes a big impact!

OSLC Announcements

Fall Education with Pr. Olaf

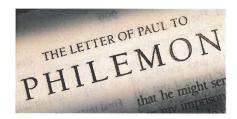
"Paul's Letter to Philemon and the Early Church" will be held on Thursday, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, and November 7, 14, 21 at 12 p.m. in Anderson Hall and 7 p.m. on Zoom. Each session will be one hour long.

You can also do the study alone at home and proceed at your own pace. Don't forget to do the exercises in the book.

Whether you're planning to attend in person or on Zoom or do a self-study at home, please pick up a book in the Narthex and sign up on the sign-in sheet. That way, Pr. Olaf will know who's coming and be able to send the Thursday evening Zoom link to the correct people.

For the first session, read the First Session (pp. 1-7) and fill out the exercises.

Also, please consider donating, because we had to buy a binding machine to create the booklet. If you have questions, contact Pr. Olaf. Thanks!



Communion Service at Timber Ridge: Thursday, October 3

Services at Timber Ridge Retirement Community are always on the first Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m. One month is led by OSLC, and the next month by St. Andrew's Lutheran Church (SALC). Here are the upcoming dates:

- October 3, led by OSLC at Timber Ridge
- **November 7**, led by SALC at Timber Ridge

OSLC Fall Grounds Work Party

We are having two fall work parties to prepare our churchyard for winter.

- ♦ Thursday, October 10, 9 to Noon
- ♦ Saturday, October 26, 9 to Noon

Bring your favorite garden tools: pruners, power tools, hand tools, etc. Don't have any? OSLC has hand tools, gloves, pickaxe, rakes & shovels.

Come any time, and any length of time, for friendly fall fun.

Questions? Contact Anne E.

Thanks to Cheryl L., Ken D., Jan W., and Rick W. for adding new plants and soil to the three planters in front of the church.

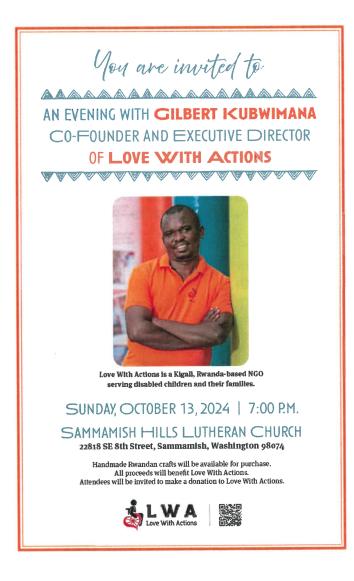


Pastor Appreciation Day

In OSLC tradition, we'll take the opportunity to joyfully celebrate our new pastors on Sunday, October 13, 2024, Pastor Appreciation Sunday. Please join the celebration with a dedicated cake and coffee following service.



OSLC Announcements



Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Minister: Pr. Olaf Baumann Preacher: Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann Assisting Minister: Lori D. Organist: Karla Stalwick Ushers: Don R. and Bill S. Altar Guild: Jean P. and Delaney C. Sound/Videography: Gabby G. and Jon S.

+ 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
- Wendy W., who is recovering from surgery
- Mary F., for encouragement, strength, and healing
- ◆ Renee J., with thanksgiving for healing (Connie F.)
- Matthew, who is severely ill and in the hospital (Community Meals Program)
- For people served by the Community Meals Program
- ♦ Melinda N., who will be receiving stronger chemo for six months (Cheryl & Lou N.)
- Cheryl N., who will be having eye surgery on October 1
- Cheryl & Lou N., for safe travel to southern California
- ◆ David, whose wedding will be on October 25 (grandson of Cheryl & Lou N.)
- Rowan H., who is in the hospital and will be undergoing open heart surgery, likely on September 30 (Barbara H.)



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

♦ **Kathy L.** (friend of Dianne Tanner)

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY SEPTEMBER 29—FIFTH SUNDAY OF SEASON OF CREATION

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC

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

11:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship Hour with Lauren Herber from Recology

(Anderson Hall)

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

2:00 p.m. Labyrinth Gathering with Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann: Blessed

Are the Peacemakers (Labyrinth)

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 30

3:00 p.m. Companions Bible Study (online)
6:30 p.m. Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY OCTOBER 1

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

THURSDAY OCTOBER 3
9:30 a.m. Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

10:00 a.m. Open Studio with Janice King (OSLC Atelier, Ground Floor)

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

12:00 p.m. Fall Education with Pr. Olaf: "Paul's Letter to Philemon and the

Early Church" (Anderson Hall)

7:00 p.m. Fall Education with Pr. Olaf: "Paul's Letter to Philemon and the

Early Church" (Zoom)

FRIDAY OCTOBER 4

3:00 p.m. Family Workshop: Tree Collages with Janice King (Anderson

Hall)

7:00 p.m. Closing Celebration and Artist Talk (Anderson Hall)

SATURDAY OCTOBER 5

8:30 a.m. Al-Anon Conference (Library)

NEXT SUNDAY OCTOBER 6—SIXTH SUNDAY OF SEASON OF CREATION

8:30 a.m. Al-Anon Conference (Library)

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC

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

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

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

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.

