

Advent

OUR SAVIOR  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

# 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 form two lines in the center aisle. As space at the rail is available, the right side of sanctuary fills right side of rail from back to front. The left side of sanctuary fills the left side of rail from front to back.

**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.

**Second Sunday of Advent**  
Sunday, December 8, 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

### WELCOME

### GATHERING HYMN

*The King Shall Come*

ELW 260

### 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

**A** In peace, in peace let us pray to the Lord. **A** For the

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the

Lord. **A** For the peace of the whole world, the well - being of the

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

Church of God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. **A** For this ho-ly house, and for all who of-fer here their  
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

wor - ship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.  
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** Help, save, com- fort, and de- fend us, gra- cious Lord.  
**C** A - men

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE**

*Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah (verse 2) (during processional and recessional)*

Light two can- dles to watch for Mes- si - ah: let the light ban- ish dark - ness.  
 He shall feed the flock like a shep- herd, gent - ly lead them home- ward.



## SECOND READING

Philippians 1:3-11

<sup>3</sup> I thank my God for every remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup> always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy <sup>5</sup> for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup> I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, for all of you are my partners in God's grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight <sup>10</sup> to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, <sup>11</sup> having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The word of the Lord.     **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.**

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 14:16-24

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 14th chapter.     **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>16</sup>Then Jesus said to him, "Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. <sup>17</sup>At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for everything is ready now.' <sup>18</sup>But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.' <sup>19</sup>Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.' <sup>20</sup>Another said, 'I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.' <sup>21</sup>So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, 'Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.' <sup>22</sup>And the slave said, 'Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.' <sup>23</sup>Then the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. <sup>24</sup>For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.'"

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

## SERMON

**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;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**  
**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.**  
**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**  
**He 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**

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

### OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Greensleeves*—Transcribed by C. Pennington  
and arranged by Chip Davis

David Liu, Piano  
Debra Z., Violin

## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, fill to the brim our  
cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-nite them with the  
prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,  
and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

### 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed, 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

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.**

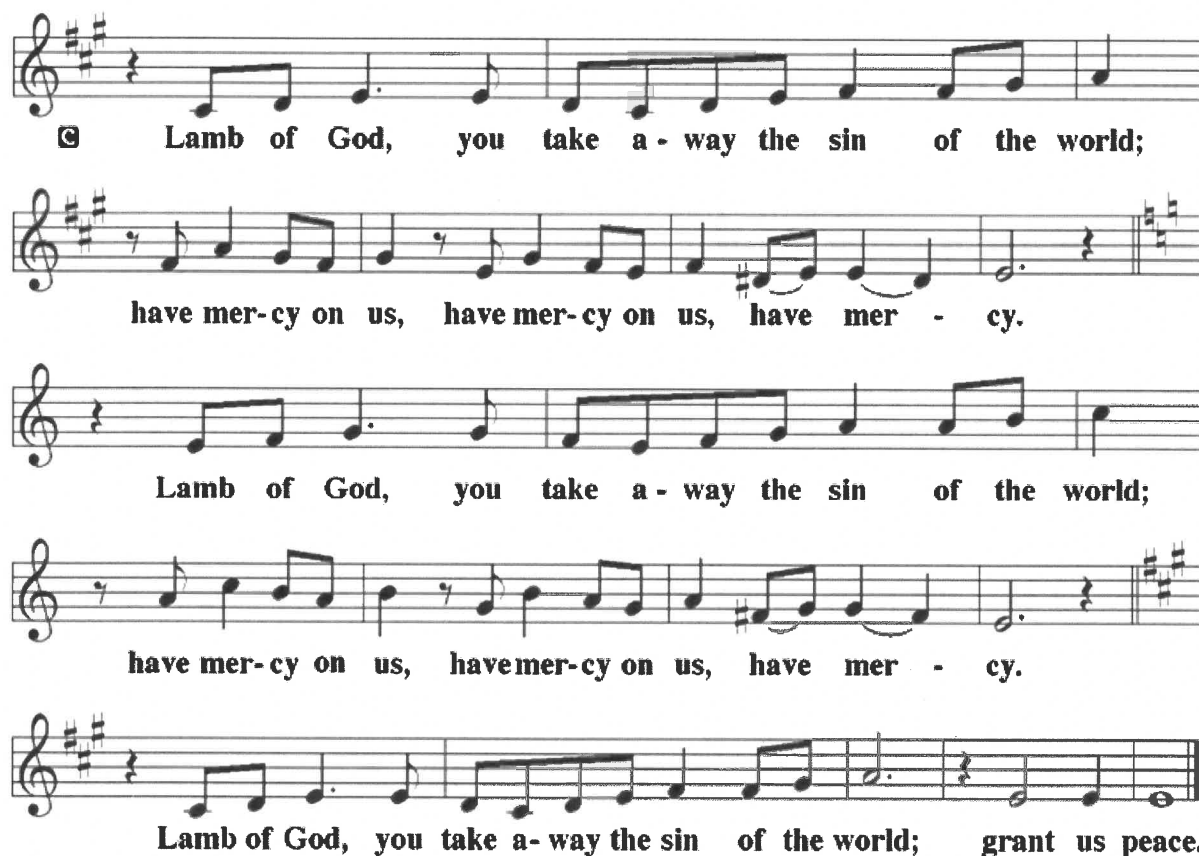
### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

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## LAMB OF GOD



☉ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*Here Is Bread* ELW 483

*Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* (sing twice) ELW 512

*Now We Join in Celebration* ELW 462

## COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

### BENEDICTION

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SENDING HYMN

*Fling Wide the Door*

ELW 259

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

# OSLC Announcements

## Mark Your Calendar for December Events

**All Mondays in December, 4:00-6:00 p.m.:**  
**Knit-Ins (Community Knitting for Art Installation), Narthex**

Do you like to knit? Would you like to learn? Bring your yarn and needles and gather on the couches and chairs of the Narthex for knitting and companionship. Knitters will create colorful covers for some of the tree trunks along Front Street South (to prepare for the Winter Art Activation).



**TODAY, Sunday, December 8, 3:00-5:00 p.m.:**  
**Graham Cracker House Building Contest, Anderson Hall**

Join the Eastside Lutheran Fellowship at OSLC for a Graham Cracker House Building Contest. This friendly competition is free and open to the public. We ask that an adult accompany children and youth.



**NEXT Sunday, December 15, 11:00 a.m.:** **Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, Anderson Hall**

During the Semi-Annual Meeting at Coffee & Fellowship Hour, OSLC members will vote on two new Council members and thank the two members whose terms end on December 31.

**Tuesday, December 17, 4:00 p.m.:** **Caroling Party at Formula Brewing, 1875 NW Poplar Way, Issaquah** (see announcement next page)

**Saturday, December 21, 7:00 p.m.:** **Sound Bowls and Candlelight: Opening Night of the Winter Art Activation, Sanctuary**

**Tuesday, December 24, 7:00 p.m.:**  
**Christmas Eve Worship, Sanctuary**

Please mark your calendars to worship with us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.



# OSLC Announcements

## Christmas Giving 2024



Through Sunday, December 15, Community Outreach Committee will be collecting **\$20 gift cards** for two purposes:

**Vine Maple Place**, an organization that breaks the generational cycle of homelessness by working with single parents and their children, **is asking for \$20 gift cards from Safeway and Fred Meyer** for parents to gift their teens to use to go out and visit with friends.

Secondly, OSLC is collecting **\$20 Target, Safeway, and Fred Meyer gift cards** to use when we get requests from our church members and the community for a little extra help. They can help purchase food, gas, medications, etc.

We'll have a Christmas tree in the Narthex. **Please take an ornament with the gift card request on it, purchase the gift cards(s), and put your gift cards in the box next to the tree.** The Community Outreach Committee thanks you in advance!



JOIN US FOR A  
**CAROLING PARTY**

*Spread the joy of the season*  
WITH THE POWER OF SONG!

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 17TH  
4 PM**

FORMULA BREWING  
1875 NW POPLAR WAY STE. 3  
ISSAQUAH WA 98027

Caroling Christmas Songs  
Friends New and Old  
Pub Grub, Brews etc.

Hosted by:  
Our Savior Lutheran Church,  
Spirit of Peace United Church of Christ,  
Community Church of Issaquah,  
Faith United Methodist Church, and  
I-90 Community Church

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## Final Session of Philemon Bible Study: Thursday, December 12

From Pr. Olaf: Unfortunately, the last session of the bible study had to be cancelled.

For those who would like to meet and finish unanswered questions, please join Pr. Olaf in Anderson Hall on Thursday, December 12 at 12:00 p.m.



# OSLC Announcements

## Men's Group

From Pr. Olaf:

Hi, this is an invitation to a first meeting of the men's group. I have created a short poll to answer the question when and where.

To get to the poll, please click on the link or use the QR code. (Point phone camera at code and click the link that pops up.)

<https://app.sli.do/event/fmamRNGe17Uio9L5CQ6KEb>



The options are

Monday, Dec. 16, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec 18, 7 p.m.

Levitate Gastropub

Malarkey's

The Glass Lamp

I'll let you know the results.

Please contemplate the following questions:

What do we want to do?

(e.g. fellowship, study, service projects, field trips, all of the previous, something else)

How can we integrate friends, acquaintances, strangers who need fellowship, but don't go to church? Or maybe we don't want that?

# OSLC Announcements

## Serving in Worship Today

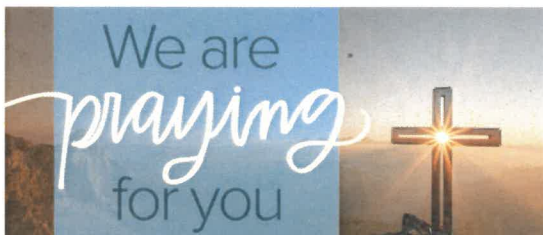
<b>Presider:</b>	Pr. Olaf Baumann
<b>Preacher:</b>	Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann
<b>Assisting Minister:</b>	Anne E.
<b>Parish Musician:</b>	David Liu
<b>Violin:</b>	Debra Z.
<b>Advent Candle Lighter:</b>	Nina M.
<b>Psalm Cantor:</b>	Dave C.
<b>Ushers:</b>	Carl and Judy B.
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Barbara F.-S.
<b>Sound/Videography:</b>	Jonathan S.



## Mourning the death of loved ones:

Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.

- ◆ **Nancy** (mother of Ron S.'s sister-in-law Dana)
- ◆ **Bob Beck**
- ◆ **Laura Keyse** (dear friend of Shelley H.)



## ✦ 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](mailto: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
- ◆ **Mary F.**, for encouragement, strength, and healing
- ◆ **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 is recovering from eye surgery
- ◆ **Ginny A.**, who has a broken femur bone
- ◆ **Jared K.**, who is receiving chemotherapy after being diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma; prayers for healing and discernment about the best course of treatment (nephew of Jane W.)
- ◆ **Suzanne L.**, who is fighting a new cancer on her tongue and mouth and had surgery on November 11 (daughter-in-law of Lyle & Alice L.)
- ◆ **John N.**, for his well-being as he returns home from rehab; and strength for his wife **Helen N.**, who cares for him
- ◆ **Shelley H.**, for healing and peace
- ◆ **Kim A.**, who is undergoing cancer treatment (dear friend of Shelley H.)
- ◆ **Vicki**, a client of the Meals Program, who is very ill
- ◆ **Evy S.**, who is in hospice
- ◆ **Doris H.**, who was recently diagnosed with brain cancer (cousin's wife of Duane J.)
- ◆ **Florence K.**, who has been taken to Swedish Hospital

# This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

## **TODAY**

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

## **DECEMBER 8—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

*Spirit of Peace UCC*

**Worship Service (Sanctuary)**

**Coffee & Fellowship Hour**

*New Creation Church (Youth Room)*

**Graham Cracker House Building Contest (Anderson Hall)**

## **MONDAY**

10:30 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

## **DECEMBER 9**

**Congregational Care Ministry (Library)**

**Companions Bible Study (online)**

**Knit-Ins (Community Knitting for Art Installation) (Narthex)**

*Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)*

*Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)*

## **TUESDAY**

1:00 p.m.

7:45 p.m.

## **DECEMBER 10**

**Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)**

*AA—Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)*

## **WEDNESDAY**

9:30 a.m.

## **DECEMBER 11**

*Issaquah Garden Club (Anderson Hall and Kitchen)*

## **THURSDAY**

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

## **DECEMBER 12**

**Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)**

*Al-Anon (Education Room)*

**Final Session of Philemon Bible Study (Anderson Hall)**

**Memorial Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)**

## **SATURDAY**

2:00 p.m.

## **DECEMBER 13**

*Winter Recitals of Peace Phan's Students (Sanctuary)*

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9:30 a.m.

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## **Emergency Pastoral Care**

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



