Epiphany Our SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

MISSION

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.

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany Sunday, February 16, 2025 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

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

A reading from the Psalms: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters. O Lord, give strength to your people; give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace. (Psalm 29:3, 11)

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring, you are the fire of rebirth. Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Glory to you for the Salish Sea, the Sammamish Lake, and the Issaquah Creek. Honor to you for cloud and rain, for dew and snow. Your waters are below us, around us, above us: our life is born in you. You are the fountain of resurrection.

Praise to you for your saving waters:

Noah and the animals survive the flood, Hagar discovers your well. The Israelites escape through the sea, and they drink from your gushing rock. Naaman washes his leprosy away, and the Samaritan woman will never be thirsty again.

Praise to you for the water of baptism and for your Word

that saves us in this sacrament.

Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation.

Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears. Wash away the sin within us and drown the evil around us. Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, who gives us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

All Are Welcome

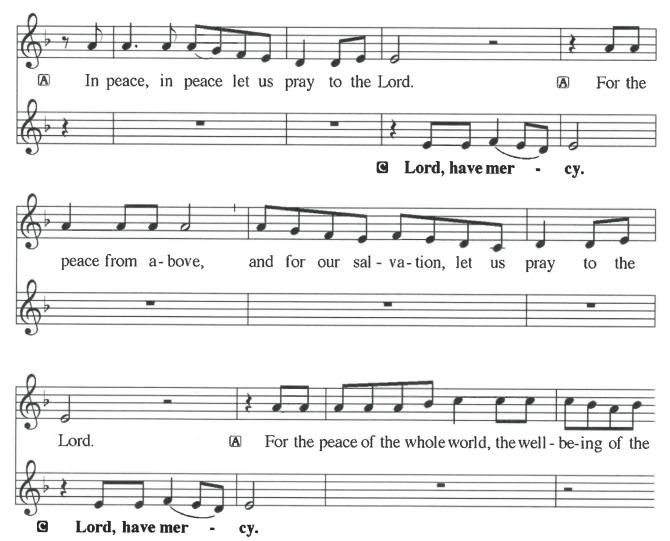
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GREETING

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





HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17:5-10

⁵ Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

⁶ They shall be like a shrub in the desert and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

⁸ They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

9 The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it?
10 I the LORD test the mind and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1 (sung responsively)

¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,

nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!

² Their delight is in the law | of the Lord,

and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that | do not wither;

everything they | do shall prosper.

4 It is not so | with the wicked;

they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,

nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.

⁶ For the Lord knows the way | of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised, ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷ If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile, and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL Luke 6:17-26

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the sixth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷ [Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸ They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases, and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And everyone in the crowd was trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

²² "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ "But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

25 "Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

ELW 815

APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

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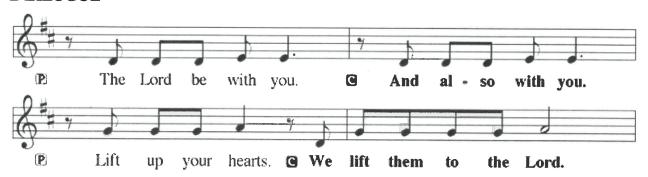
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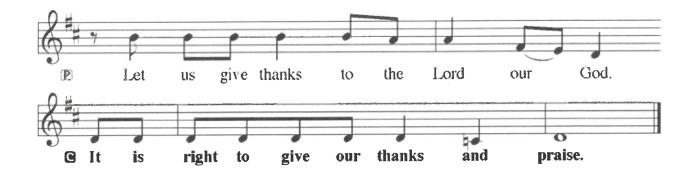
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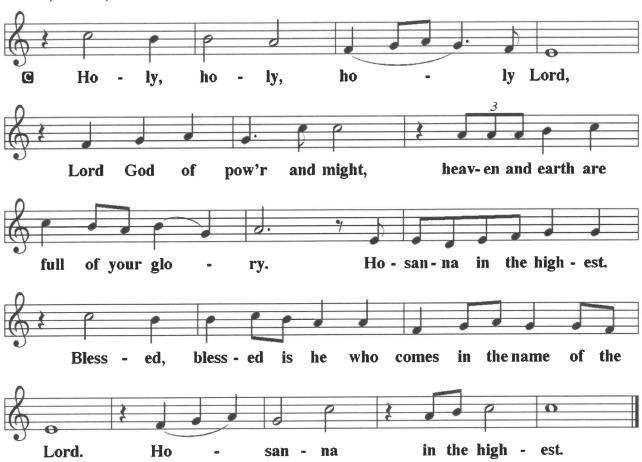




PREFACE

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave 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

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Everyone is welcome at the Lord's table.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Now We Join in Celebration ELW 462

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly ELW 461

In a Lowly Manger Born ELW 718

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Arise, Your Light Has Come!

ELW 314

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

POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship Today

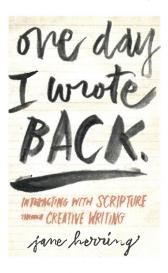
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OSLC Announcements

Introductory Book Study Meeting NEXT Sunday, February 23: Reserve Your Book Copy Now!

NEXT Sunday, February 23 at 11:30 a.m., Pr. Olaf will facilitate the introductory meeting of the *One Day I Wrote Back* Book Study in Anderson Hall. The book study will consist of six sessions in Anderson Hall at noon on Thursdays from February 27 through April 3.

Cynthia ordered 30 new copies of One Day I Wrote Back: Interacting with Scripture through Creative Writing by Jane Herring. The cost per book is \$13. Please email Cynthia at office@oslcissaquah.org if you'd like to reserve a copy. Five copies have been reserved, so most are still available.



The books should arrive early next week. Cynthia will send out an email to those who reserved a book to let you know when you can pick up and pay for your copy. Thanks!

Mourning the death of loved ones:

Please keep their family, friends, and loved ones in your prayers.

- Ruby George (grandmother of Holly H.)
- ♦ Joan Schlemlein
- Les Carlson (father of Dave Carlson)
- Bob Johnson

+ Share & Prayer +

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

- Mary F., for encouragement, strength, and healing
- For people served by the Community Meals Program
- Evy S., who is in hospice
- Rowan H. is thankful for his successful heart surgery and asks for prayers as he begins treatment for cancer of the bone.
- Lena S., for health and strength
- ★ Ken B., for recovery from heart attack (long-time friend of Doug & Dianne T.)
- ◆ Dianne T., prayers for proper treatment for new issues detected
- ◆ **Doris H.,** who is in hospice (cousin's wife of Duane J.)
- ◆ Amy D., for comfort and strength
- ◆ Deb C., for successful knee surgery and quick recovery (healing and wholeness)
- Melinda N., who receives daily chemo treatments for brain cancer (daughter of Cheryl N.)
- Shirley W., who is at Valley General Hospital
- **Skylar H.,** for prayers to heal and get stronger as she struggles in her first weeks of life (granddaughter of the brother of Jan W.)
- In thanksgiving for the birth of Sophia Rose (great-granddaughter of Doug and Dianne T.), and prayers for new mom Miranda and new dad Jack, as they adjust to parenthood in England
- Peace and strength for **Deborah E.**, diagnosed with MS (friend of Shelley & Mark H.)
- Peace and strength for **Tom K.**, due to the return of cancer (friend of Shelley & Mark H.)
- ◆ In thanksgiving for the 90th birthday of **Andy A.** (father of Shelley H.)

OSLC Announcements

Women's Retreat: Register Now!

"WANDERING AND WONDERING WITH GOD" 2025 Women's Retreat

Mark your calendars for March 7-9, 2025 for our annual retreat! Our speakers, Jean Wahlstrom and Pr. Jane Prestbye, have this to say about their topic:



"Wandering and wondering is the essence of pilgrimage and pilgrimage is a fitting metaphor of one's whole life journey with God. Not everyone can go on physical pilgrimage, but everyone can have the mind of the nomad disciple. Pilgrimage involves doing something with whatever faith you have, and faith like muscle likes being worked. We will explore Christian pilgrimage as a faith walk with Jesus.

'Thus says the Lord: Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls.' Jeremiah 6:16a

'While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them. . . . 'Luke 24:15"

Registration is open now. Thanks to those who have already registered.
With only 32 more spots available, don't wait to sign up!
Registration forms are available in the narthex and at oslcissaquah.org/womens-retreat/.
Final registrations and payments must be mailed to OSLC (or turned in to the OSLC office) by the end of February.

Men's Group Meeting and Potluck

NEXT Wednesday, February 19, the Men's Group will gather at 7:00 p.m. in the Education Room for a meeting and potluck.



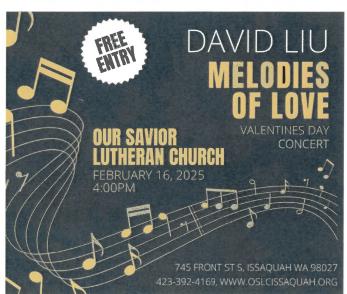
More Help Needed for Coffee Hour

Each Sunday, two people are needed for coffee hour (for the coffee and treats). Lately, it's been a struggle to get two people for coffee hour to happen smoothly. The long-time kitchen group is no longer able to



keep doing this regularly. More helpers are needed to keep this going. Please sign up on the sheet next to the kitchen door. Thanks!

This Piano Concert Is TODAY!



This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY FEBRUARY 16—SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)
10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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

12:30 p.m. New Creation Church (Youth Room)

4:00 p.m. Melodies of Love: A Valentine Recital by David Liu (Sanctuary)

MONDAY FEBRUARY 17

3:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)
Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18

7:00 p.m. Executive Committee (Online)

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

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19

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

7:00 p.m. Men's Group Meeting and Potluck (Education Room)

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 20

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

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

1:00 p.m. Community Meal Prep (Kitchen) 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee (Online)

NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23—SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)
10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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

12:30 p.m. New Creation Church (Youth Room)



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.