Epiphany OURSAVIOR 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.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Sunday, February 2, 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

In Heaven Above

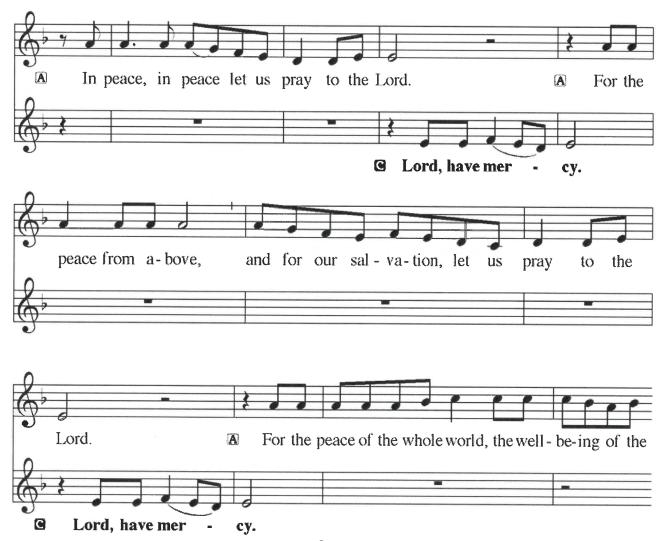
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GREETING

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 1:4-10

⁴ Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

⁵ "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you;

I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

⁶ Then I said, "Ah, Lord Goo! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷ But the LORD said to me.

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy,'

for you shall go to all to whom I send you,

and you shall speak whatever I command you.

8 Do not be afraid of them,

for I am with you to deliver you,

says the LORD."

⁹ Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth.

¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,

to pluck up and to pull down,

to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 71:1-6 (sung responsively)

¹ In you, O Lord, have I | taken refuge;

let me never be | put to shame.

² In your righteousness, deliver me and | set me free;

incline your ear to | me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to | keep me safe;

you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand | of the wicked,

from the clutches of the evildoer and | the oppressor. R

⁵ For you are my hope, O Lord God,

my confidence since | I was young.

⁶ I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have | been my strength;

my praise shall be al- ways of you.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

¹ If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things,

hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, ¹⁰ but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹² For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE GOSPEL Luke 4:14-21

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

²¹ Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" ²³ He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.' ²⁴ And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵ But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months and there was a severe famine over all the land, ²⁶ yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷ There were also many with a skin disease in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸ When they heard this, all in the

synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰ But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

ELW 843

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

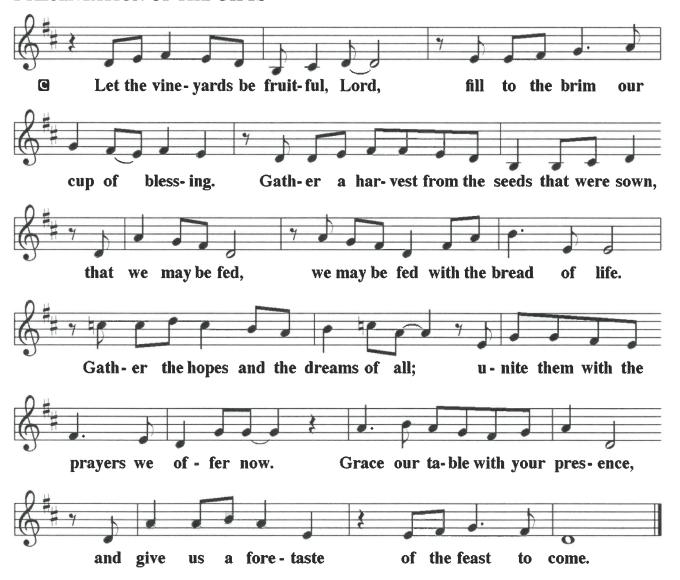
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

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

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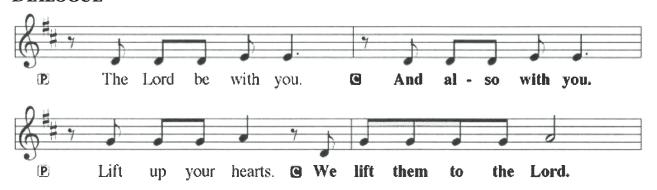
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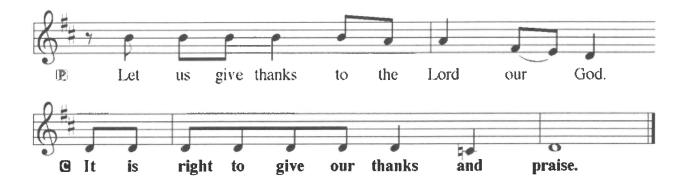
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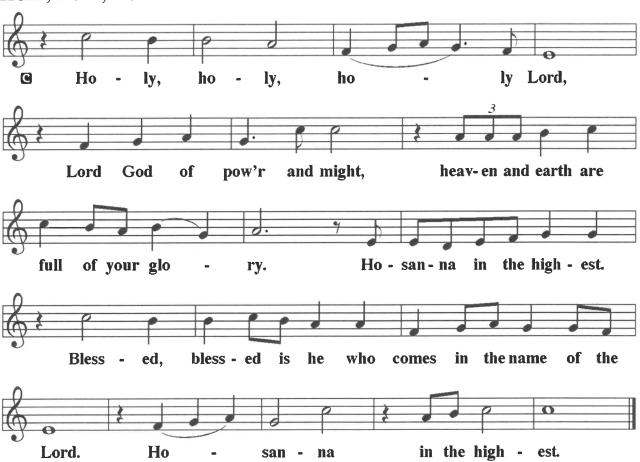




PREFACE

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:

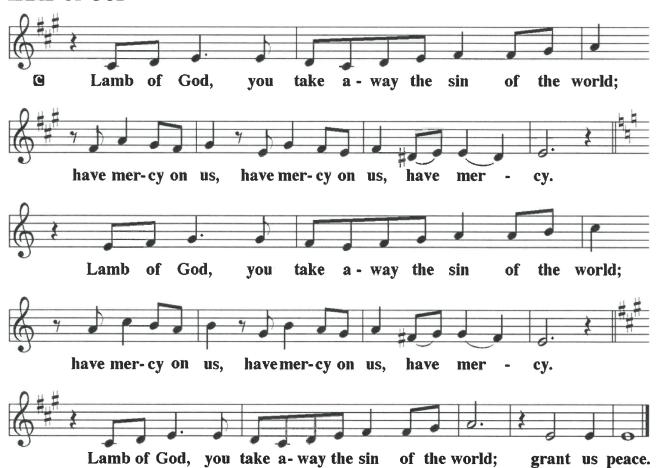
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, 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

Where Charity and Love Prevail ELW 359

Take My Life, That I May Be ELW 685

I Received the Living God ELW 477

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

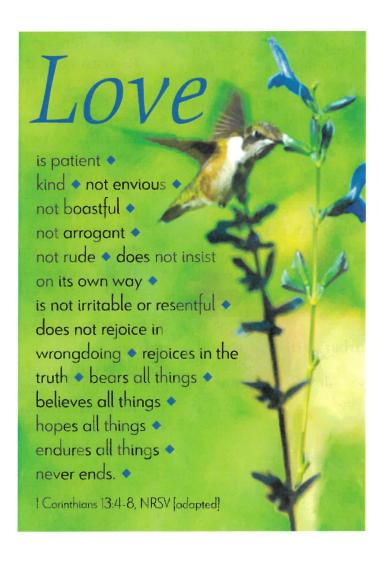
SENDING HYMN

In Christ There Is No East or West

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DISMISSALGo in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



OSLC Announcements

Memorial Service for Joan Schlemlein on February 13

Joan Schlemlein died during the night of Saturday/Sunday, January 25-26. She was an active church member who lived in a nursing home in recent years. Her memorial service will be held in the sanctuary on Thursday, February 13 at 11:00 a.m., with a reception to follow in Anderson Hall. All are welcome to attend.



Seeking a House or Townhouse

Gary H. and his wife Denice are looking for an affordable house or townhouse in the Issaquah/Sammamish area. They also might be looking for a short-term rental. If you know about housing options, please contact Gary; his phone # and email are in the directory. Thanks!



Serving in Worship Today

Presider: Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann **Preacher:** Pr. Olaf Baumann **Assisting Minister:** Jen W. **Pianist:** David Liu **Psalm Cantor:** Lori D. **Ushers:** Barbara F-S. and Tom K. **Altar Guild:** Stacy S. Sound/Videography: Jon S. and Anne E.



+ 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
- **Ruby G.**, who's in the ER with critically low sodium (grandmother of Holly H.)
- Rowan H. is thankful for his successful heart surgery and asks for prayers as he begin 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.**, successful knee surgery and quick recovery (healing and wholeness)

Mourning the death of loved ones:

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

- ♦ Joan Schlemlein
- Les Carlson (father of Dave Carlson)
- ♦ Bob Johnson



OSLC Announcements

Meet Your Neighbors at Coffee & Fellowship Hour TODAY!

We invite you to come to Coffee & Fellowship Hour after church TODAY, February 2 and meet your neighbor! We will seat people who live in close proximity to each other around the same table and provide you with some fun ice breakers. We hope that you attend this meeting—which could be the first of many—with a large portion of kindness and curiosity. After all, it is always good to meet your neighbors, and it is especially good to meet your church neighbors with whom you not only share a neighborhood, but also your faith.



Upcoming Book/Bible Study Course: One Day I Wrote Back

Jane Herring, one of the cohort members of the doctoral program the pastors are pursuing, has written *One Day I Wrote Back: Interacting with Scripture through Creative Writing* (92 pages). It is a six-session book study/bible study course that invites people to engage the bible through writing. The writing suggested here is *scriptio divina*, a spiritual discipline. It is a way to explore meaning, gain new perspectives, and foster a relationship with the biblical text.

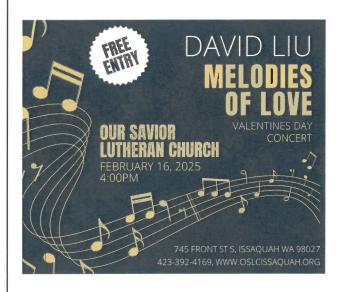
Pr. Olaf will facilitate the introductory meeting on Sunday, February 23 at 11:30 a.m. and six sessions in Anderson Hall at noon on Thursdays, February 27-April 3. Every week, the book

invites you to read three scripture passages and Jane's reflections. She provides some guiding questions and some writing prompts. During the meetings there will be time to write and to share insights, writings, and questions. More details are available in the February Focus and in the handout available in the narthex.



Melodies of Love: A Valentine's Recital by David Liu

On Sunday, February 16 at 4:00 p.m., our talented Parish Musician David Liu will offer a free piano recital in the sanctuary. We hope you can attend "Melodies of Love: A Valentine's Recital" to hear our beautiful new Schimmel piano in concert. It should be an amazing musical event. Hope to see you there!



This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY FEBRUARY 2—FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

9:30 a.m. Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)

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

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

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

Monday February 3

10:30 a.m. Congregational Care Ministry (Library)

3:00 p.m. Companions Bible Study (Online)

4:00 p.m. Knit-In (Narthex)

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

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4

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

THURSDAY JANUARY 6

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

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

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 8

9:00 a.m. Boy Scout Troop 676 Merit Badge Clinic (Anderson Hall)

NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9—FIFTH 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.