



Lent

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.

Second Sunday of Lent  
Sunday, March 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

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us return to God, confessing our sin in the assurance of God's abiding love.

Compassionate One,  
**you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love,  
but our lives do not always reflect you  
and your love for the world.**

**We do not show others the tender compassion  
you have shown to us.**

**We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality  
you grant to all people.**

**We oppress others,  
even though you have set us free again and again.**

**We squander the abundant gifts of the earth.**

**Transform our lives  
and guide us again in the way of the cross.**

**Amen.**

Beloved in Christ,  
God's arms are always stretched open wide  
to welcome the wandering ones home.

In † Christ your sins are forgiven.  
You have a place in God's house forever.

**Amen.**

**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**

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

*Sing the Kyrie once before the pastor reads the first prayer, and then sing it once after each prayer.*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY****WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.****FIRST READING**

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

<sup>1</sup> After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup> But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup> But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup> He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup> And he believed the LORD, and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

<sup>7</sup> Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." <sup>8</sup> But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" <sup>9</sup> He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a



female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”<sup>10</sup> He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other, but he did not cut the birds in two.<sup>11</sup> And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

<sup>12</sup> As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

<sup>17</sup> When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.<sup>18</sup> On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates.”

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

### **PSALM 27**

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

<sup>2</sup> When evildoers close in against me to devour my flesh,

**they, my foes and my enemies, will stumble and fall.**

<sup>3</sup> Though an army encamp against me, my heart will not fear.

**Though war rise up against me, my trust will not be shaken.**

<sup>4</sup> One thing I ask of the Lord; one thing I seek;

**that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek God in the temple.**

<sup>5</sup> For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter,

**hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high upon a rock.**

<sup>6</sup> Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.

**Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the Lord.**

<sup>7</sup> Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call;

**have mercy on me and answer me.**

<sup>8</sup> My heart speaks your message—“Seek my face.”

**Your face, O Lord, I will seek.**

<sup>9</sup> Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.

**Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.**

<sup>10</sup> Though my father and my mother forsake me,

**the Lord will take me in.**

<sup>11</sup> Teach me your way, O Lord;

**lead me on a level path, because of my oppressors.**

<sup>12</sup> Subject me not to the will of my foes,

**for they rise up against me, false witnesses breathing violence.**

<sup>13</sup> This I believe—that I will see the goodness of the Lord

**in the land of the living!**

<sup>14</sup> Wait for the Lord and be strong.

**Take heart and wait for the Lord!**

**SECOND READING**

Philippians 3:17-4:1

<sup>17</sup> Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup> For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. <sup>19</sup> Their end is destruction, their god is the belly, and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup> But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup> He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. <sup>4:1</sup> Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep-a-rate us from the love of God.



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**THE GOSPEL**

Luke 13:31-35

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup> At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” <sup>32</sup> He said to them, “Go and tell that fox for me, ‘Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup> Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.’ <sup>34</sup> Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup> See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, ‘Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.’ ”

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

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*When Twilight Comes*

ELW 566

## **NICENE CREED**

We confess our faith in the words of the 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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

**OFFERING MUSIC**  
*And I Did Nothing*—David Lantz III

Choral Ensemble  
Jeff S., Piano

### OFFERING PRAYER

#### MEDITATION ON JESUS

“[Jesus] took upon himself all human passions, excluding sin. That is: he hungered who gives food to all the living. He thirsted who gives the water of life to his believers. He felt weariness who is the rest of the weary. He slept who always kept Israel vigilant. He wept who wiped away every tear from all eyes. . . . He took on our passible body, so that he who is impassible might suffer with the passible body and he who is immortal might die with the mortal body, to free us who are guilty.”

—Gregory of Skevra (12th/13th centuries), *On True Faith and Pure Conduct in the Virtues*, 15-17

#### 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.**

#### PREFACE

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

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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





Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the



Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. All creation sings your praise. Sun, moon, and stars reflect your glory. Mountains, lakes, and forests declare your wonders. . . . With hearts full of memories and hopes, we break this bread and share this cup, remembering the death and resurrection of Christ, and his promise to be with us always as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

#### **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

O Divine Lover, you are the breath within us. You are our heart's desire. You are our priceless treasure. You are the garden of paradise. Come down, O Love divine. Come among us, O passionate Fire. Come within us, O Spirit of unity. Come, Holy Spirit.

#### **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty. Bless our table and the feast we share. Bless us with gladness of heart. Come, Holy Spirit.

#### **Come, Holy Spirit.**

At this table make us your body. Form us to be people of justice and peace. Fill us with gratitude and generosity, that we may bear the fruit of love in word and deed.

### **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

All who are hungry, come!  
The feast of grace is spread.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

### LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*By Your Hand You Feed Your People* ELW 469

*Come to the Table* (sing twice) ELW 481

*You Satisfy the Hungry Heart: Gift of Finest Wheat* ELW 484

**AFTER COMMUNION: SIMEON'S SONG** *Now, Lord*



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING HYMN**

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

ELW 325

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.

**Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

# OSLC Announcements

**During Coffee Hour on March 23,  
Learn about Eastside Lutheran  
Church Community**

NEXT Sunday, March 23, during coffee and fellowship hour we'll hear from Carolyn Ferris, a representative from the Eastside Lutheran Cluster about the ELCC, Eastside Lutheran Church Community. A cluster is a regional grouping of churches, all belonging to the same synod. The ELCC is an exploration of how closely cluster churches can cooperate with each other. Hope you can make it!



**Budget Preparation Message from  
Wendy W., OSLC Treasurer**

Budget preparation for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year (July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026) is underway. Emails and forms went out this week to point persons for committees and ministries. Please contact me (Wendy) if I missed you in the distribution, or if you know of or wish for something to be included in this upcoming budget. Please submit budget requests by March 28 to [oslc\\_treasurer@hotmail.com](mailto:oslc_treasurer@hotmail.com).



**Mourning the Death  
of Loved Ones:**

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

- ◆ Larry Harbolt (son of Ray & Carol Harbolt)
- ◆ Shirley Witsoe
- ◆ Robert (Bobby) Enloe (twin brother of Dianne T.)
- ◆ Mardell Portin (cousin of Ron S.'s father)

**✦ Share & Prayer ✦**

*We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. Please email [office@oslcissaquah.org](mailto:office@oslcissaquah.org) your prayer requests. 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
- ◆ **Lena S.**, for health and strength
- ◆ **Dianne T.**, for her medications to work
- ◆ **Melinda N.**, who receives daily chemo treatments for brain cancer (daughter of Cheryl N.)
- ◆ 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.)
- ◆ **Sandy A.**, for the healing of her paralyzed vocal chord
- ◆ **Judi C.**, who was recently diagnosed with Guillain-Barre Syndrome (GBS), for successful treatment and quick healing (former OSLC member)
- ◆ **Peter R.**, who starts radiation next week, for shrinking of his brain tumor (OSLC's cleaner)





# OSLC Announcements

## Soup Supper and Holden Evening Prayer Continue on Wednesdays

On Wednesdays through April 9, please join us at 6:00 p.m. for a soup supper in Anderson Hall. At 6:45 p.m., we'll listen to a video greeting and devotion titled "Sumud Lenten Series 2025," with a theme for each week, created by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land. At 7:00 p.m., Holden Evening Prayer will be in the sanctuary. Hope you can make it!



### Serving in Worship Today

**Presider:** Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann  
**Preacher:** Pr. Olaf Baumann  
**Assisting Minister:** Joan F.  
**Pianist:** David Liu  
**Ushers:** Ken K. and Bill S.  
**Altar Guild:** Barbara F.-S.  
**Sound/Videography:** Jon S.



### Master Chorus Eastside Concert TODAY

TODAY, March 16 at 3:00 p.m., Master Chorus Eastside will perform in our sanctuary. You can purchase tickets on their website:

<https://www.masterchoruseastside.org/>.

The  
*Season of Lent*

Wednesday, March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9

6:00 PM: Lenten Soup Supper

6:45 PM: Sumud: Video Greetings from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land

7:00 PM: Holden Evening Prayer



EASTSIDE LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP PRESENTS

**COMMUNITY GAME NIGHT**

SUNDAYS - 5PM-7PM

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL AGES

2/16 - SAMMAMISH HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH - SAMMAMISH  
 3/16 - SAINT ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - BELLEVUE  
 4/27 - OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH - ISSAQUAH

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT: YOUTHANDFAMILY@SALC.CHURCH

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# 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.

5:00 p.m.

## **MARCH 16—SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

*Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)*

**Worship Service (Sanctuary)**

**Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)**

*New Creation Church (Youth Room)*

*Master Chorus Eastside Concert (Sanctuary) (Setup starts at 12:30 p.m.)*

**Community Game Night at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church (Bellevue)**

## MONDAY

10:30 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

## **MARCH 17**

**Congregational Care Ministry (Library)**

**Companions Bible Study (Online)**

*Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)*

*Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)*

## TUESDAY

7:00 p.m.

7:45 p.m.

## **MARCH 18**

**Council Executive Committee (Online)**

*AA—Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)*

## WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

## **MARCH 19**

**Lenten Soup Supper (Anderson Hall)**

**Holden Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)**

*Boy Scout Troup 676 PLC (Anderson Hall)*

## THURSDAY

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

## **MARCH 20**

**Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)**

*Al-Anon (Education Room)*

*Kiwanis Meal Prep (Kitchen) (Connie F.)*

**One Day I Wrote Back Book Study (Anderson Hall)**

**Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)**

*Federation Festival (Piano and Harp Recital) of the Gourmet Food and Culture Club (Sanctuary and Education Room)*

**Finance Committee (Online)**

## NEXT SUNDAY **MARCH 23—THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

*Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)*

**Worship Service (Sanctuary)**

**Presentation about Eastside Lutheran Church Community:**

**Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)**

*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.

