

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.

Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday, April 6, 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.

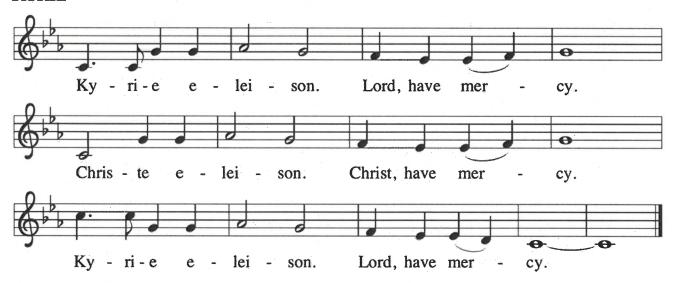
Beloved in Christ, God's arms are always stretched open wide to welcome the wandering ones home. In + Christ your sins are forgiven. You have a place in God's house forever. Amen.

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



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 Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,

¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior;

they lie down; they cannot rise;

they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

- ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things or consider the things of old.
- ¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?

I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

²⁰ The wild animals will honor me,

the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹ the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 126

¹When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,

then were we like those who dream.

² Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

³ The Lord has done great things for us,

and we are glad indeed.

4 Restore our for-tunes, O Lord,

like the watercourses of the Negeb.

5 Those who sowed with tears

will reap with songs of joy.

⁶ Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,

will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] ^{4b} If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

John 12:1-8

The holy gospel according to St. John. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ² There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him. ³ Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus's feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶ (He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. 8 You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW 685

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

Gracie Li, Violin

Adagio from Sonata No. 1 in G minor for Solo Violin—J. S. Bach

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.

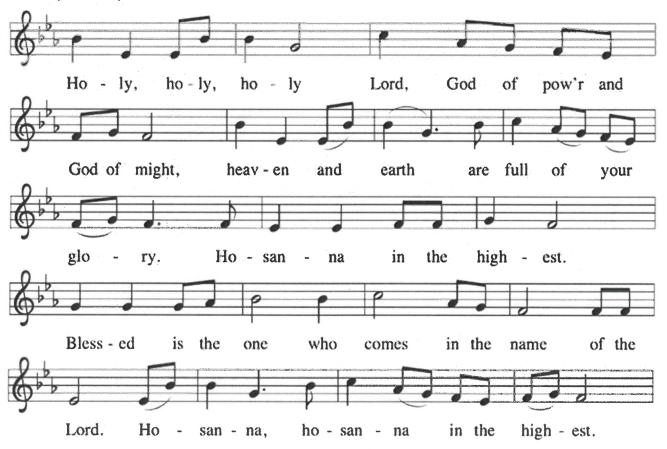
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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





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. Come, Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Praise to you, Author of creation. Praise to you, O Beloved One. Praise to you, O Giver of all good things. Praise to you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

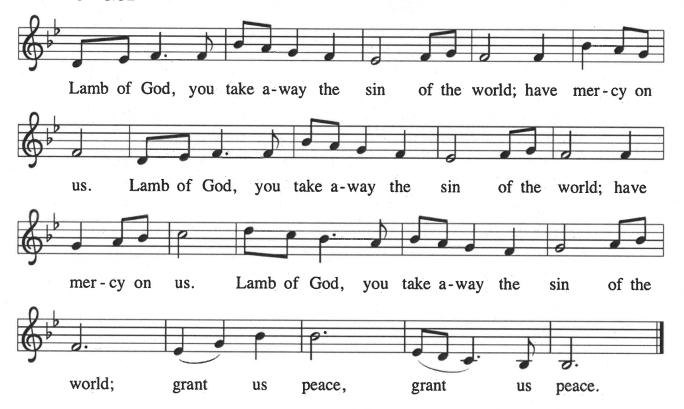
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,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



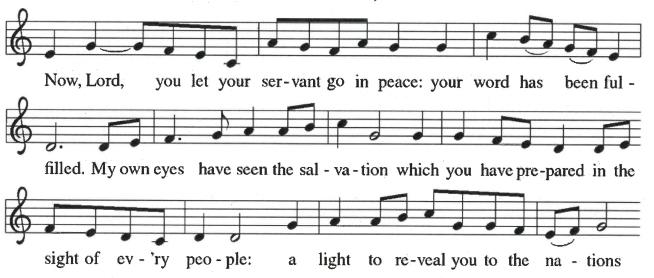
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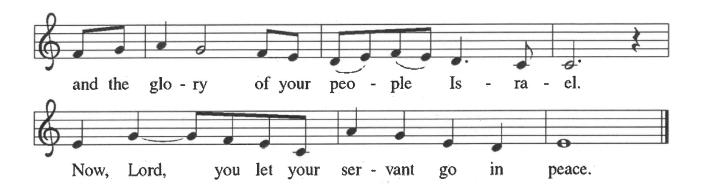
Come to the Table (sing twice) ELW 481

Just As I Am, without One Plea ELW 592

Lamb of God ELW 336

AFTER COMMUNION: SIMEON'S SONG Now, Lord





POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

ELW 543

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Caprice in E flat Major, Moderato, Op. 1, #14—N. Paganini

Gracie Li, Violin



OSLC Announcements

Spring Grounds Work Party THIS Tuesday, April 8

THIS Tuesday, April 8 from 9:00 a.m.-Noon, please join us for a Spring Fling on our grounds as we tidy up the beds and parking lot for Easter. No experience necessary. Come as you can! Questions? Contact Anne Ellett at 206-225-9592 or Anne. Ellett@Outlook.com.



SPRING GROUNDS CLEAN-UP



Men's Group Meeting on April 30

The next meeting of the Men's Group is Wednesday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the library. During the meeting, we will solve a crime mystery.



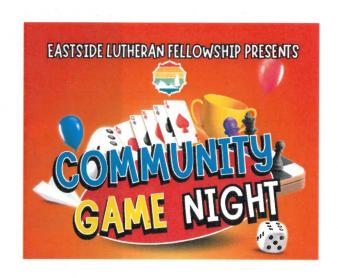
Serving in Worship Today

Presider: Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann Preacher: Pr. Olaf Baumann **Assisting Minister:** Jen W. **Pianist:** David Liu **Violinist:** Gracie Li **Ushers:** Lois D. and Jan W. **Altar Guild:** Holly H. Sound/Videography: Anne E.

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Community Game Night at OSLC on April 27

On Sunday, April 27 from 5:00-7:00 p.m., OSLC will host the Community Game Night in Anderson Hall. There will be card games, board games, and refreshments. It will be a fun opportunity for fellowship with people throughout the Eastside cluster. We hope that you, your kids, grandkids, friends, and neighbors can come!



OSLC Announcements

Final Soup Supper & Holden Evening Prayer Wednesday, April 9

Soup Supper: 6:00-6:45 p.m. in Anderson Hall Holden Evening Prayer: 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary



+ Holy Week and Easter Worship +

Please mark your calendars to join us in honoring the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus:

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 13 at 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday

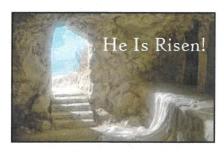
Friday, April 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 20 at 10:00 a.m.









Easter Brunch

Sunday, April 20 at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall following worship

Volunteers are needed to help create a festive, delicious Easter Brunch! If you can donate food, set up, cook, serve, and/or clean up, please contact Suzanne D'Errico at 425-445-6892 to sign up.

On Saturday, April 19 at 10:30 a.m., volunteers will set up and cook. Thanks!

OSLC Announcements

YOU ARE INVITED



Women's Spring Luncheon

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, Bellevue Sat, April 26, 2025 Meet & Greet 11:00 -Lunch 11:30 AM

> Speaker: Pastor Nyla Schoeld "What Does God Require of You?"

Donations benefit ELAP & KidVantage

RSVP by 4/14/25 to Jeanne Vevang (425) 829-2213 <ivevang@comcast,net> (dietary restrictions ?)

Mourning the Death of Loved Ones:

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

• **Jean Rhar** (good friend of Lois D.)



+ Share & Prayer +

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

- ◆ **Terry N.**, my 55-year-old Down Syndrome son who is suffering from Alzheimer's—my prayer is for a quick end to this because his life is no longer enjoyable (son of Helen & John N.)
- ◆ **Lena S.**, for her complete recovery following hospitalization;
- **Duane J.**, for the healing of neck problems
- **Peter R.**, who started radiation for the shrinking of his benign brain tumor (OSLC's cleaner)
- Chris T., who was recently diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma and a perforated stomach (husband of the music director at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Savannah, GA, the church of Pr. Lynne, Sue J.'s sister)
- Mary F., prayers for acceptance and adjustment to her new living place
- **Dianne T.**, for her medications to work
- ◆ Judi C., who was recently diagnosed with Guillain-Barre Syndrome (GBS), for successful treatment and quick healing (former OSLC member)
- Guests of the Community Meals Program

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY APRIL 6—FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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)

MONDAY APRIL 7

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

TUESDAY APRIL 8

1:00 p.m. Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)

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

WEDNESDAY APRIL 9

9:30 a.m. Issaquah Garden Club (Anderson Hall and Kitchen)

6:00 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper (Anderson Hall) 7:00 p.m. Holden Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY APRIL 10

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

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

NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 13—PALM SUNDAY

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)

12:30 p.m. Zadinsky Rehearsal Performance Class (Sanctuary)

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.

