



OUR SAVIOR
LUTHERAN CHURCH



PEACE WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2025

Garden of Peace
Isaiah 32:14-18



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. Individual servings of bread & wine (red) or juice (white) await you; gluten-free bread is available. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

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: "50"

The term *Pentecost* comes from a Greek word meaning "fiftieth." It refers to the festival celebrated on the fiftieth day after Passover. In Christian tradition, Pentecost represents fulfillment of the promise that Christ will baptize his followers with the Holy Spirit.

LAST SUNDAY'S MUSIC CHOICES

Parish Musician David Liu often changes his choices for prelude, postlude, and offering music last minute, as the Spirit guides him. Here are last Sunday's choices:

August 31, 2025

Prelude: *Ballade No. 1*—Chopin

Offering Music: *I Exalt Thee*—Arr. Mark Hayes

Postlude: *Jesus Paid It All*—Arr. Victor Labensky

**First Sunday of Season of Creation/
13th Sunday after Pentecost**
Sunday, September 7, 2025
10:00 a.m.



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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 looks upon us in compassion,
forgives our sin,
and heals our lives.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Have mercy, O God,

**against you, you alone,
we have sinned.**

In your compassion,

**cleanse us from our sin
and take away our guilt.**

**Create in us a new heart
and give us a steadfast spirit.**

Do not cast us away,

**but fill us with your Holy Spirit
and restore your joy within us.**

Amen.

As tender as parent to child,
so deep is God's compassion for you.

As high as heaven is above earth,
so vast is God's love for you.

As far as east is from west,
so far God removes your sin from you,

renewing your life through Jesus Christ.

Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

Blessed be God forever.

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.

SONG OF PRAISE



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵ “See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away and you do not hear but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today that you shall certainly perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰ loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him, for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”

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

PSALM 1

- 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

Philippians 2:1-13

¹ If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, ² make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God

as something to be grasped,

⁷ but emptied himself,

taking the form of a slave,

assuming human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a human,

⁸ he humbled himself

and became obedient to the point of death—

even death on a cross.

⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly

and gave him the name

that is above every other name,

¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus

every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 24:44-48

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

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.”

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Christ, Be Our Light

ELW 715

ISAIAH 32:14-18

¹⁴ For the palace will be forsaken,
the populous city deserted;
**the hill and the watchtower
will become dens forever,**
the joy of wild asses,
a pasture for flocks;

¹⁵ **until a spirit from on high is poured out on us,
and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field is deemed a forest.**

¹⁶ Then justice will dwell in the wilderness
and righteousness abide in the fruitful field.

¹⁷ **The effect of righteousness will be peace,
and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever.**

¹⁸ My people will abide in a peaceful habitation,
in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

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

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.

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

O God triune, how majestic
is your name in all the earth. . . .

Sustained by these wonders,
we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory. . . .

Receiving this mystery,
we mortals sing our song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory. . . .

Gathered around this table,
we your children unite in this song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory. . . .

Empowered by your promises,
we rise from our deaths
to praise you again:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen.
Amen, and 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

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

BE KNOWN TO US



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Come to the Table ELW 481

By Your Hand You Feed Your People ELW 469

My Faith Looks Up to Thee ELW 759

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Earth and All Stars!

ELW 731

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

OSLC Announcements

Fill the BIG Coffee Pot TODAY!

“Espresso Your Faith—one cup at a time.” TODAY, September 7 is our next “ingathering.” July = \$321.50 and August = \$829.50. Can we beat those numbers this month? Clean out the junk drawer? Check your pockets? How about the ashtray in the car? And, don’t forget, bring whatever you have collected in your coffee-cup-piggy-bank.

Please continue to pray for the projects represented and supported by the 2025-2026 budget. Contact Wendy at oslc_treasurer@hotmail.com if you need help in increasing your electronic giving.

Submitted by
Wendy Winslow,
OSLC Treasurer



GIVE BOLDLY,
ONE COFFEE AT A TIME

Food Drive TODAY, Sept. 7!

TODAY, September 7, the Community Outreach Committee is holding a Food Drive for the Issaquah Food Bank. The need continues to grow because of cuts to food benefits and government funding, as well as the increase in the cost of living.

There’s a table in the narthex to drop food and hygiene donations. The updated Issaquah Food Bank Priority Needs List was inserted into the bulletin, Focus, and weekly emails; copies are also available in the narthex. Your support is greatly appreciated.



Pr. John Rutsindintwarane to Speak at SHLC on September 12

From an email from St. Andrew’s Lutheran Church: We have an opportunity to hear from an extraordinary pastor, community organizer, visionary, and faith leader. Pastor John Rutsindintwarane will be at Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church on Friday, September 12 at 6:00 p.m. There will be a Zoom option for those who cannot attend in person. Please mark this on your calendar!

Friday, September 12
6:00 PM



Come to hear and learn from
Pastor John Rutsindintwarane
at Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church

OSLC Announcements

A New Music Opportunity for You Starting TODAY, Sept. 7!

OSLC is instituting a “monthly melody.” Every month the choir will feature a piece, including some old and new favorites. Nora (the choir director) will be introducing the monthly piece in church and providing the practice dates.

This will be a chance for you to work with other church members for a few practices and then sing in church for just one month. It is perfect if you are traveling or looking for a more flexible schedule. If you are not comfortable reading music, there will be a recording and we will make sure you have a buddy to sing with. Come spend a few weeks with a fun and welcoming group.

September Song Selection:

For the Beauty of the Earth

Sunday, September 7 (1st practice):

11:10-noon in the sanctuary

Sunday, September 14 (2nd practice):

11:10-noon in the sanctuary

Sunday, September 21: Sing during Offering (during worship)



Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Minister: Pr. Olaf Baumann

Preacher: Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann

Assisting Minister: Jen W.

Pianist: David Liu

Ushers: Judy and Carl B.

Altar Guild: Holly H.

Sound/Videography: Jon S.

Peace Rock Painting on Sundays Starts Today!

Peace Rock Painting

All are invited.

Sundays in September, 11AM

Anderson Hall

Peace Rock Painting

For Families with Children

Sunday, September 21, 2025, 3 PM

Anderson Hall



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OSLC Announcements

Searching for the Historical Jesus Video Series Starts Sept. 25

Please mark your calendars for The Great Courses' *Searching for the Historical Jesus* Video Series at OSLC on Thursdays from September 25-January 22.

It's presented by Jean-Pierre Isbouts, DLitt (on video); and facilitated by Pr. Olaf at OSLC.

This 15-part series explores the life and times of Jesus of Nazareth within the historical, cultural, and political context of first-century Judea. Rather than focusing solely on theology, Dr. Isbouts examines the "rabbi from Galilee" as a historical figure whose teachings and actions sparked the world's largest religion.

Filmed on location in Israel and Jordan, the course draws on archaeology, the Gospels, Josephus, and recent scholarship to illuminate Jesus's world—Galilee's poverty, Roman exploitation, and the diversity of Jewish thought.

There are 15 Sessions total. Every session features a 20-25 minute video segment followed by a time for questions and discussion led by Pr. Olaf. All sessions are 1 hour long. Starting on Thursday, September 25 at 12 PM in person and 7 PM on Zoom, and ending on January 22.

For a detailed outline, follow this QR code to the course page on The Great Courses' webpage.



✝ 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.

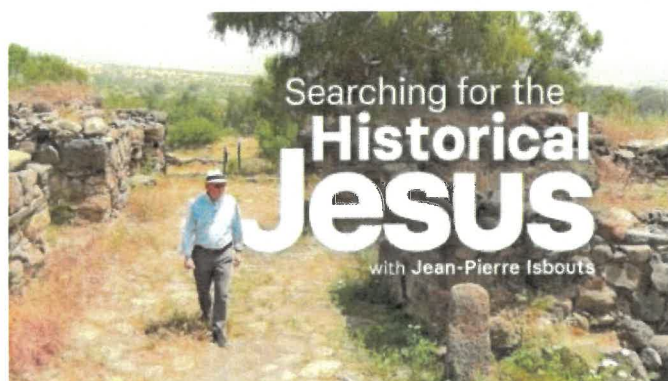
- ◆ **Lena S.**, for her complete recovery following hospitalization
- ◆ **Mary F.**, for healing and comfort
- ◆ **Dianne T.**, prayers for no more infusions and progress towards maintenance
- ◆ **Dave C.**, for healing



Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

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

- ◆ **Ann Baseler** (mother of Randy B.)



This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY

**SEPTEMBER 7—FIRST SUNDAY OF SEASON OF CREATION
(13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST)**

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)

Food Drive for Issaquah Food Bank (Narthex)

Espresso Your Faith Budget Ingathering (Narthex)

11:10 a.m.

Monthly Melody Song Practice with the Choir (Sanctuary)

12:30 p.m.

New Creation Church (Youth Room)

MONDAY

SEPTEMBER 8

10:30 a.m.

Congregational Care Ministry (Library)

7:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY

SEPTEMBER 9

1:00 p.m.

Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)

7:45 p.m.

AA (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY

SEPTEMBER 10

9:30 a.m.

Issaquah Garden Club (Anderson Hall and Kitchen)

THURSDAY

SEPTEMBER 11

9:30 a.m.

Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

10:00 a.m.

Al-Anon (Education Room)

NEXT SUNDAY

**SEPTEMBER 14—SECOND SUNDAY OF SEASON OF CREATION
(14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST)**

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)

11:30 a.m.

Zadinsky Student Performance Class (Sanctuary)

12:30 p.m.

New Creation Church (Youth Room)

Music lessons are held in all downstairs rooms throughout the week.

Emergency Pastoral Care

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

