



Easter

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 a sacrament 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.

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:

April 26, 2026

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

Offering: *How Great Thou Art*—Arr. Victor Labensky

Postlude: *Interlude*—Mark Hayes

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 3, 2026
10:00 a.m.
Now the Feast and Celebration—
Marty Haugen



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745 Front Street South
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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,
whose compassion endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.
Silence is kept for reflection.
Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

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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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING

Acts 7:55-60

⁵⁵ Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶ “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” ⁵⁷ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. ⁵⁸ Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him, and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

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

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16

¹ In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness.

² **Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.**

³ Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

⁴ **Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.**

⁵ Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O LORD, God of truth.

¹⁵ **My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.**

¹⁶ Let your face shine upon your servant;
save me in your steadfast love.”

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2:2-10

² Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴ Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and ⁵ like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷ This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner,”

⁸ and

“A stone that makes them stumble
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰ Once you were not a people,
but now you are God’s people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Repeat optional

THE GOSPEL

John 14:1-14

The Holy Gospel according to St. John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

In Christ Alone (see insert)



APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

OFFERING STATEMENT

We are grateful for offerings for the mission of the church. You may give here in the pews, use the QR code in the bulletin, or go online at oslcissaquah.org. Thank you so much for your generosity.

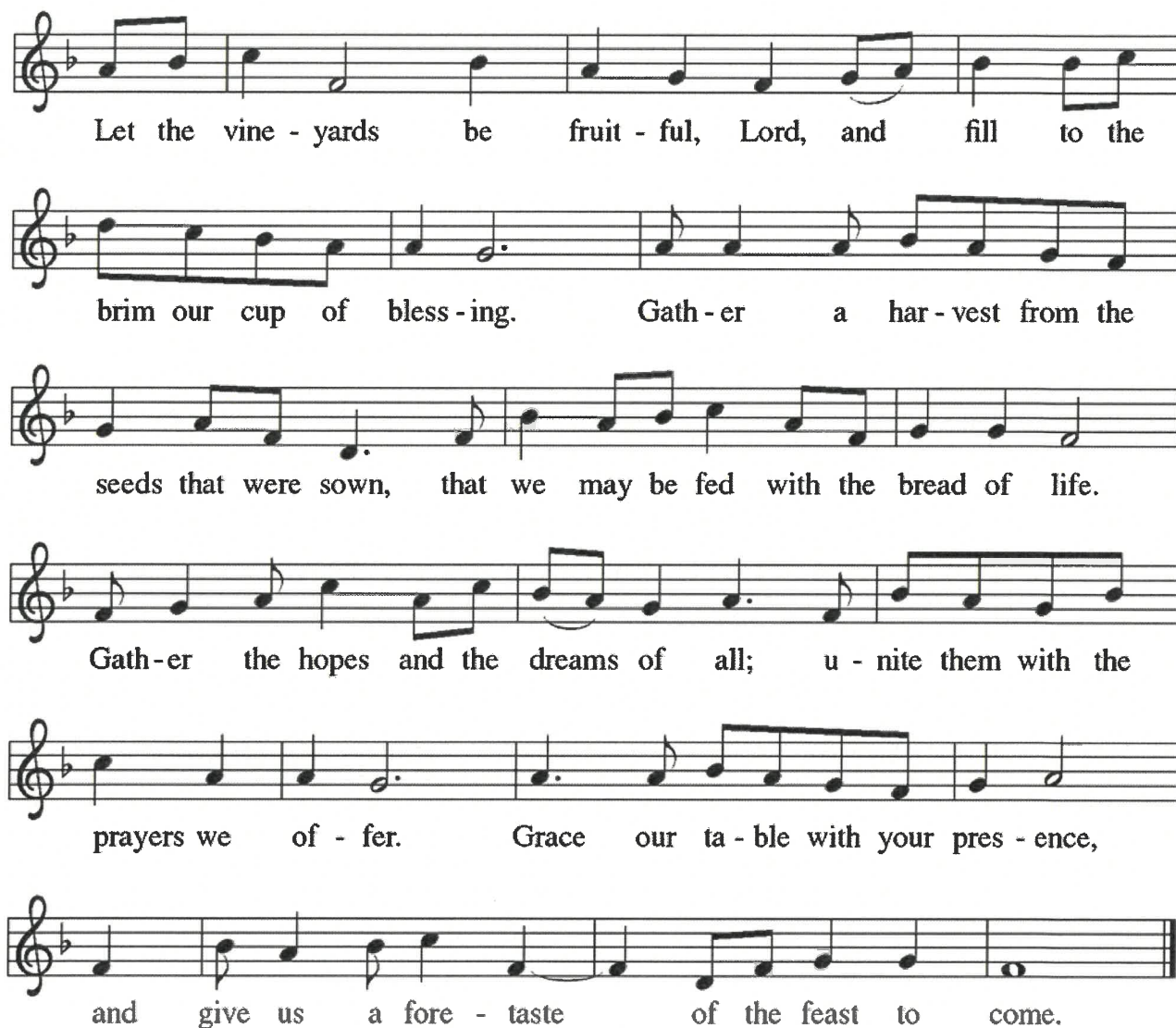


OFFERING MUSIC

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

(As the offering is brought to the altar, we will sing.)

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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

Holy, Holy, Holy *Great Thanksgiving*

The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and might; heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THROUGH CHRIST, WITH CHRIST, IN CHRIST

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The first staff begins with the word 'Through' and ends with 'in the'. The second staff continues with 'u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is'. The third staff continues with 'yours, O God, now and for ev - er.'. The fourth staff concludes with 'A - men.'.

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

Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

Now the Green Blade Rises

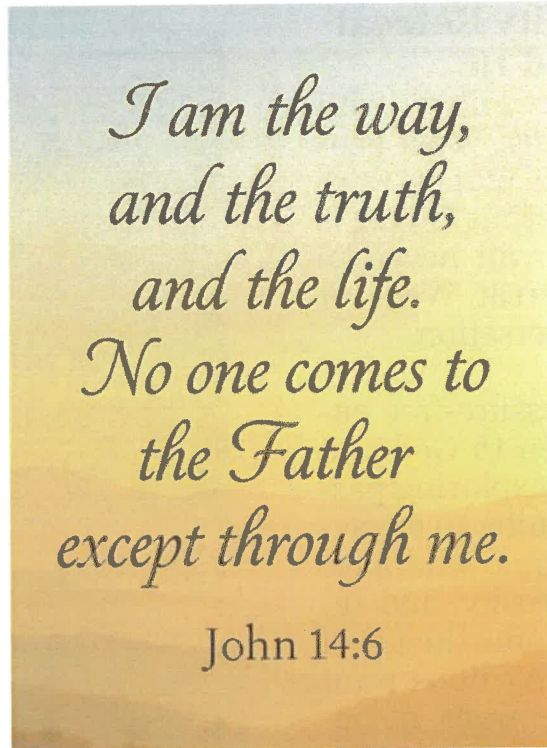
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Believe the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



Announcements

Choir Practice Today, May 3

We will be singing *Shine, Jesus, Shine* on Sunday, May 10 during worship.

- ◆ Choir practice will be today, Sunday, May 3 from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- ◆ Choir practice will happen before church (starting at 9:10 a.m.) on Sunday, May 10.

—Submitted by Nora T.



Journey of Generosity Retreat on May 15 and 16

Journey of Generosity: Filled with meaning, free from pressure. Most people who talk to you about money want something from you. Generous Giving is privately funded, so you will never be asked for money at our retreat. We want to give you the gift of conversation.

We want to provide a pressure-free environment for you to listen to God and draw closer to Him while exploring passages from Scripture, listening to engaging video stories from people who have expanded their own generosity, and reflecting on topics that examine the joy of being a disciple of Christ. We don't want something from you—we want something for you.



Friday, May 15
4:30-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 16
8:00 a.m.-noon

Fundraiser for Rihalo Christian School on Saturday, May 23

7:00-9:00 p.m. at OSLC

Fundraiser for
RIHALO CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN BURKINA FASO
at Our Savior Lutheran Church

**PRAISE
And
WORSHIP**

A partnership between
New Creation Church and Our Savior Lutheran Church.

Saturday, May 23, 7-9 PM

Our Savior Lutheran Church
745 Front St. S, Issaquah WA 98027
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Meals and refreshments are provided: both Friday dinner and Saturday breakfast. To sign up for the Journey of Generosity retreat, or if you have any questions, please email jewellvp21@gmail.com or call 206-859-1304.—Submitted by Jeff J.

Announcements

Fill the BIG Coffee Pot Today, Sunday, May 3!

Please gather your coins, cash, and checks to bring to the ingathering today, May 3. Thanks for your generosity toward our Abundance Budget!





GIVE BOLDLY,
ONE COFFEE AT A TIME

OSLC's Zoom and Adobe Subscriptions





If you use the church's Zoom or Adobe accounts (to create or sign into church Zoom meetings, to edit a PDF document, etc.), please contact Cynthia at office@oslccissaquah.org. We want to determine if it makes financial sense to keep paying for these office subscriptions.




ZUZLA 
Line Dancing with Renata
(ZUZ = Move in Hebrew)
Come move, laugh, and feel good! 



BEGINNERS WELCOME!



Join our fun one-hour class!

-  Easy steps
-  No experience needed
-  Go at your own pace
-  Open to adults of all ages

New 4-Week Series Starts!

 **Monday, May 4,**
at 11:00 AM

 **Cost: \$10 per class**
Pay what you can if needed. 

 **Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers** 
(Please avoid cowboy boots)

Location:
Our Savior Lutheran Church
745 Front St. S, Issaquah, WA

Line Dancing with Renata Continues on Mondays in May

Tomorrow, Monday, May 4 at 11:00 a.m. is the start of a new four-week series of line dancing classes in Anderson Hall. You're invited to join in and dance (even if you didn't attend in April). Classes are \$10 per class or pay what you can.

Announcements

NW WA Synod Gathering in Lynnwood on Saturday, May 30

From the Synod: **Let's Grow Together!** Please join us as we gather to celebrate, learn, and connect around the theme of generosity. This is generosity rooted in God's abundant love for God's creation. Generosity of time, space, talents, money— and generosity of our hearts.

On Saturday, May 30, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., we will be gathering at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lynnwood AND the new Lynnwood Neighborhood Center. We will center our time in worship at 9 a.m. with song, communion, preaching by Bishop Shelley, and gratitude and blessing for our Synod VP Kay Edgerton who will be concluding her term this summer.

We will then welcome inspiration from our keynote presenter, Rev. Tim Brown, ELCA Director for Congregational Stewardship. After we take a break for lunch, there will be **two** afternoon workshop times—with a total of **22 options** from local leaders!

To close the day, we will re-gather for a sending service—including time to install our newly elected synod council officers and members.

All are welcome to register—lay members and rostered leaders. There are so many wonderful workshop options, you will want to bring a group from your ministry site to capture as many of the offerings as you can!

Registration Info:

Cost will be \$40/person—includes the full program and lunch.

During registration, you will be asked to select your workshops and lunch.

BEFORE you register, read about the workshop options here: <https://www.lutheransnw.org/events/synod-gathering>. Once you have reviewed the workshop options, click the **Register** button on that same webpage.

Registration will close at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, May 18.



NW Washington Synod Gathering

**Life in God's Garden:
Seeds of Generosity**

Saturday, May 30 | 9am-5pm

Worship
Workshops
Rev. Tim Brown, Keynote

Lunch included
\$40/person

at Trinity Lutheran Church, Lynnwood
& Lynnwood Neighborhood Center

[lutheransnw.org/events](https://www.lutheransnw.org/events)

Announcements

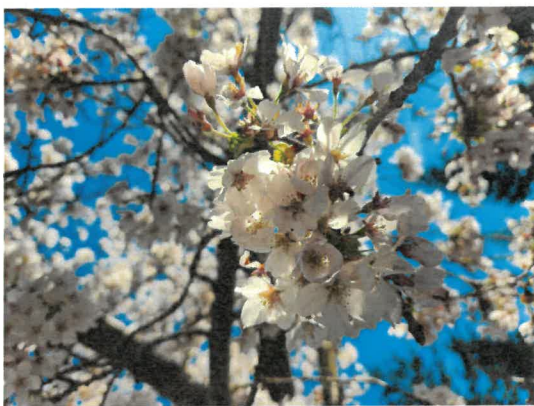
ELCC Webpage

Do you know that the Eastside Lutheran Church Community (ELCC) has a webpage? You can find it here: <https://www.eastsidelutherancgdc.org/> And, even better, if you scroll down to the bottom of the page, you can sign up for their newsletter! There are many interesting events there. Have a look!



Serving in Worship Today

Presider: Pr. Olaf Baumann
Preacher: Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann
Assisting Minister: Jen W.
Pianist: David Liu
Ushers: Lois D. and Larry T.
Altar Guild: Stacy S.
Sound/Video: Jon S.



✝ 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.

- ◆ **Mary F.**, for healing and comfort
- ◆ **Dianne T.**, for healing and pain relief
- ◆ **Suzanne D.**, for healing her lower back fracture
- ◆ **Jim U.**, who had skull surgery to remove two cancerous growths, and his wife **Maria** (long-time neighbors of Alice and Lyle L.)
- ◆ **Janice E.**, 94 years old, is in rehab because she fell and broke her back, and also has issues with vision (long-time family friend of Ron S.)
- ◆ **Barbara H.**, for healing (wife of Rowan H.)
- ◆ **Bobbie M.**, for a strong heart and successful cancer treatment (grandmother of Holly H.)
- ◆ **Lois D.**, for more strength and good healing
- ◆ **Hannelore M.**, for her heart issues

Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

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

- ◆ **Laurie Rye** (Shepherd of the Hills member)
- ◆ **Terry Nychay** (son of Helen and John)
- ◆ **Florence Kinnune** (OSLC charter member)

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

MAY 3—FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Coffee & Fellowship Hour (Anderson Hall)

New Creation Church (Youth Room)

MONDAY

9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

MAY 4

Quirky Quilters (Education Room)

Congregational Care Ministry (Library)

Line Dancing with Renata (Anderson Hall)

Companions Bible Study (Online)

Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)

Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

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

TUESDAY

7:45 p.m.

MAY 5

AA—Alcoholics Anonymous (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m.

MAY 6

Worship and Music Committee (Online)

THURSDAY

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

2:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

MAY 7

Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

Al-Anon (Education Room)

Communion Service at Timber Ridge—SALC-led (Timber Ridge Retirement Community)

New Creation Bible Study (Library)

SATURDAY

10 a.m.-4 p.m.

12:00-4:00 p.m.

MAY 9

Lessons in Your Home Spring Recital (Sanctuary)

Baby Shower for Kristen & Vid Micevic (Spirit of Peace) (Anderson Hall)

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

MAY 10—SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

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.



Bleeding hearts along Deep Creek Trail, Snoqualmie
Photo by Cynthia Delaney

