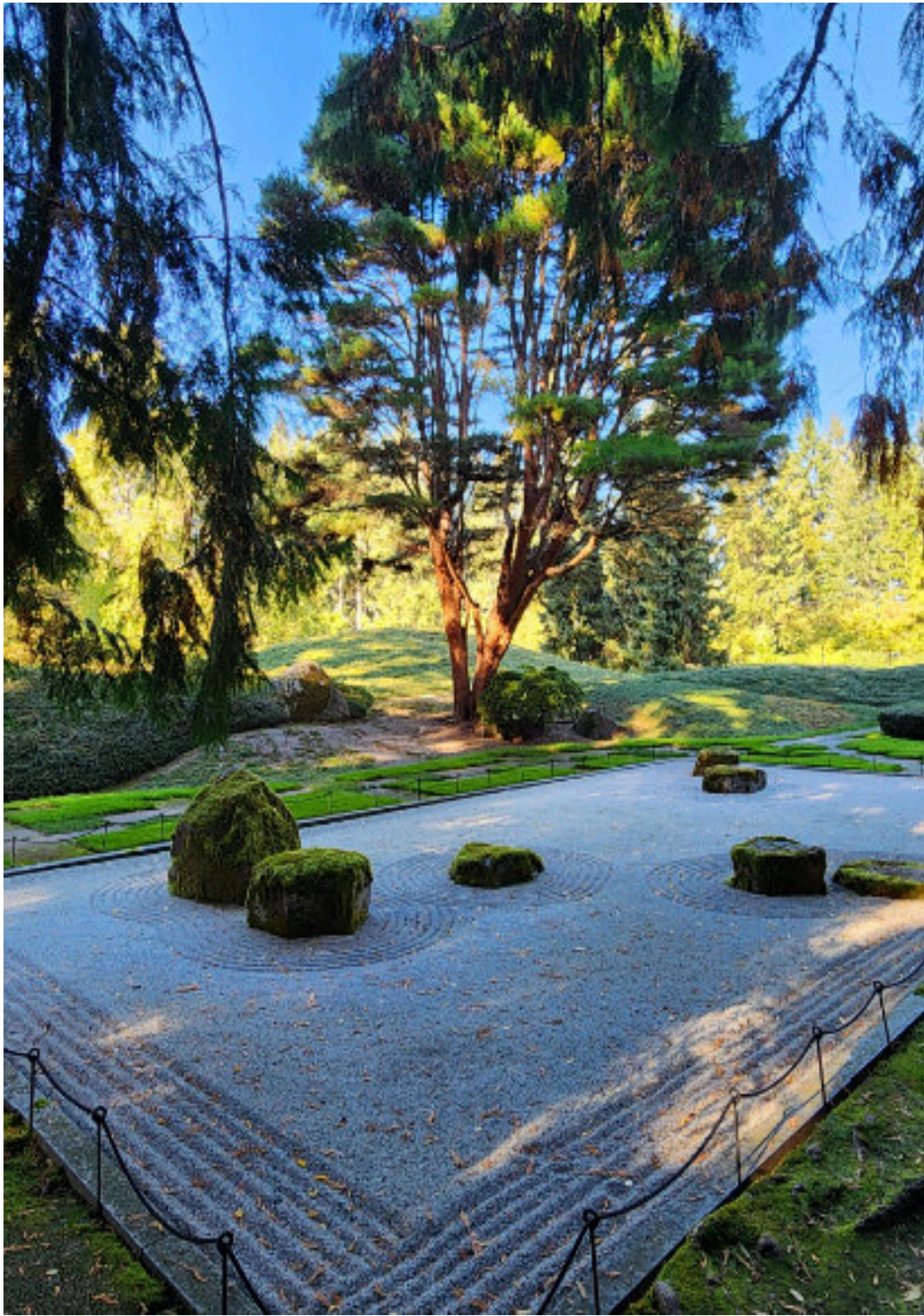




Sundays after Pentecost

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:

October 11, 2026

Prelude: *He Is Exalted*—Mark Hayes

Offering: *Lord, Be Glorified*—Mark Hayes

Postlude: *I Exalt Thee*—Victor Labensky

Cover Photo: *Japanese Garden at Bloedel Reserve on October 7*, by Cynthia Delaney

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, October 18, 2026, 10:00 a.m.
WOV Holy Communion Setting Five:
Bread of Life



Our Savior Lutheran Church
745 Front Street South
Issaquah, WA 98027
425-392-4169

HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING: THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*Silence for reflection.*)

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
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



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, ... have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **G** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, ... have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **G** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, ... have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE



G Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



I Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

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I For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 II you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.
 III Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1-7

¹ Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
 whose right hand I have grasped
 to subdue nations before him
 and to strip kings of their robes,
 to open doors before him—
 and the gates shall not be closed:
² I will go before you
 and level the mountains;
 I will break in pieces the doors of bronze

and cut through the bars of iron;
³ I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
⁴ For the sake of my servant Jacob
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name;
I give you a title, though you do not know me.
⁵ I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
⁶ so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
⁷ I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things.

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

PSALM 96:1-9

¹ Sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
² **Sing to the LORD and bless his name;**
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
³ Declare his glory among the nations
and his wonders among all peoples.
⁴ **For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;**
he is more to be feared¹ than all gods.
⁵ As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;
but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
⁶ **Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence!**
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
⁷ Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples;
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
⁸ **Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his name;**
bring offerings and come into his courts.
⁹ Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness;
let the whole earth tremble before him.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

² We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵ because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶ And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy from the Holy Spirit, ⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸ For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹ For they report about us what kind of welcome we had among you and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

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

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

¹⁵ The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶ So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" ²¹ They answered, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

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

SERMON**HYMN OF THE DAY***Now Thank We All Our God*

ELW 840

NEW TESTAMENT CHARGE*(Matthew 22:34-40; Mark 12:28-34; Luke 10:25-28; John 13:34-35)*

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, with all your mind.**

This is the greatest and first commandment.

And a second is like it:

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

⁴ On these two commandments hang the law and the prophets.

³ I give you a new commandment, you love one another.

Just as I have loved you, also should you love one another.

By this everyone will know you are my disciples,

if you have love for one another.

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, or give online at oslcssaquah.org. Thank you so much for your generosity.



OFFERING MUSIC

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below each staff. The first staff contains the first line of the hymn, the second staff the second line, and the third staff the third line, ending with a double bar line.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all

crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye

heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERING PRAYER

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to our Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

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

The musical score is written on five staves in G-clef (treble clef) with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff begins with a common time signature 'C'. The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score ends with a double bar line.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

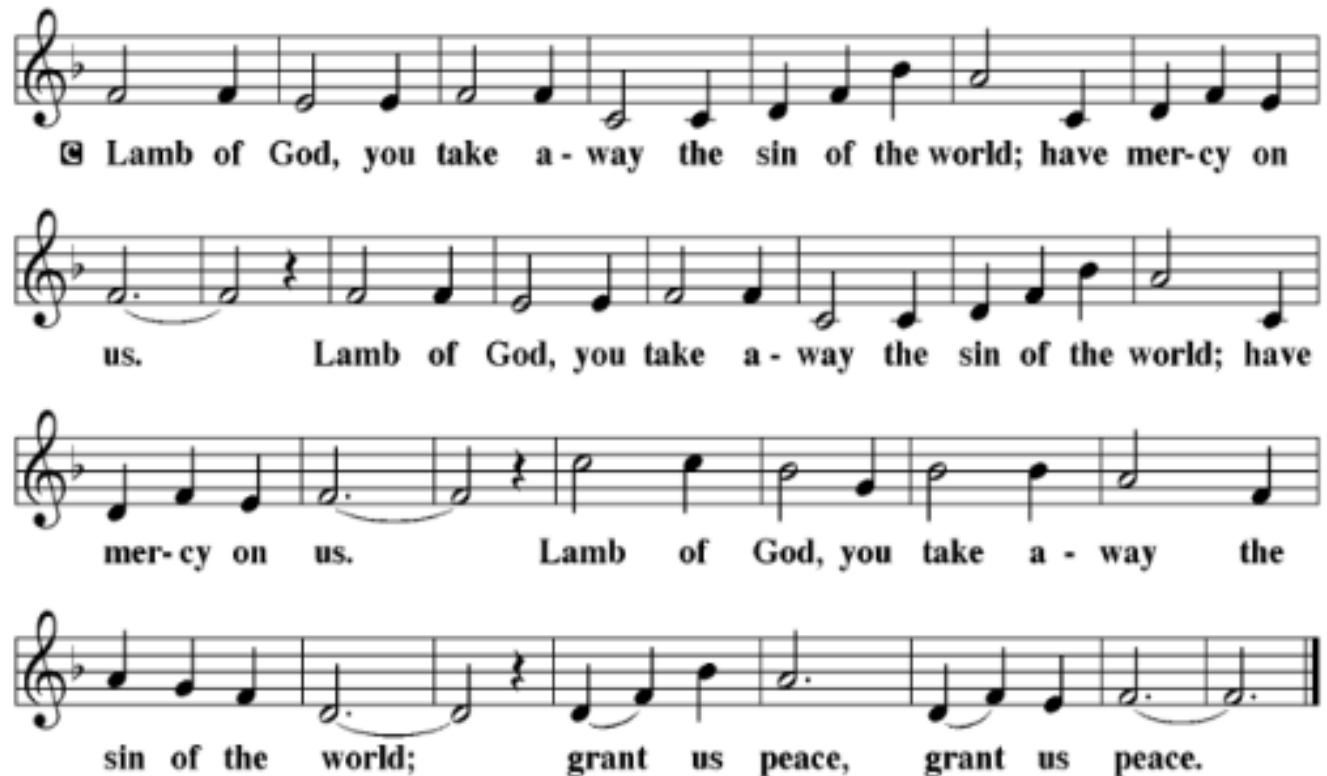
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good. All are welcome at the Lord's table.

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

Lord of All Hopefulness ELW 765

Have No Fear, Little Flock ELW 764

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart ELW 484

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN

My Life Flows On in Endless Song

ELW 763

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship Today

Presider & Preacher: Pr. Kristin-Luana
Baumann

Assisting Minister: Joan F.

Pianist: David Liu

Ushers: Rob G. and Bill S.

Altar Guild: Stacy S.

Sound/Video: Jon S.

Announcements

Vine Maple Place Donation Drive Today, October 18

The main donation drive of personal care products for Vine Maple Place clients is today, Sunday, October 18. There are tables set up in the narthex for you to drop off the items you purchased. A cash or check donation is also welcome. Thank you for your generosity to families in need.



Helping Hands Presentation at Coffee Fellowship Today, October 18

After worship today Sunday, October 18, we will host a Coffee Fellowship presentation about the new Helping Hands program. We ask that you consider what abilities you may have that you would be willing to offer to others as part of this program and/or what assistance you may need as we launch this effort. Together, Helping Hands can build connections while providing helpful support.--Submitted by Ken K.

Curiosity Corner

"Can curiosity be an expression of faith?"

Sign up today for a one-on-one conversation with a team member. Sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board in Anderson Hall.—Submitted by the Reconciling in Christ Team

Tithely Transition: Change Is Here!

Behind the scenes we have been, and are, transitioning our church management system (your names, addresses, and emails), your giving records, and even our church website to a new integrated Program called Tithely. Why? Less money, fewer computer programs, systems that will "talk" to each other, and it puts us in alignment with what our sister churches in the ELCC (Eastside Lutheran Church Community) are doing, making us more compatible.

Now for your participation! It is time for those who give, via direct bank withdrawal (ACH) or bankcard, to say goodbye to Vanco and hello to our new provider--Tithely!

Today, October 18 and next Sunday, October 25, Wendy W., Financial Secretary; Joan F., Lead Teller; and their trusty laptops will be available in the narthex following worship to help you with the transition from old giving platform Vanco to the new Tithely giving program.

Come see us if you have any questions regarding recurring giving.

Weekly Inspiration from the Life of Faith Team

"Joy is the infallible sign of the presence of God."—Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

Announcements

Tending the Wild Garden Book Study Schedule

For the next class sessions on Thursday, October 22 and Sunday, October 25, please read chapter 5 and do the exercises in chapter 4. Here's the remaining schedule of classes:

Main Book Study:

Thursdays, 12:15-1:45 PM

October 22, 29

November 5, 12, 19

December 3, 10

Repeat Book Study:

Sundays, 8:30-9:30 AM

October 18, 25

November 1, 8, 15, 22

December 6, 13

Requests for Endowment Funds

The Endowment Fund needs requests. We have about \$5,000 to spend. Our requirements are for youth programs and scholarships to church-related camps, colleges, and training opportunities, or such other programs or training which will enable members of this congregation to grow in Christian faith and service to God's people.

Go to our website oslcissaquah.org to Mission and Ministries to fill out the Mission Endowment Fund Request.

--Submitted by Chuck B.

Bell Ringers

Let's have a Bell Choir for Christmas! Rehearsals begin in November. No prior experience needed. Contact Wendy W. for more information.

Blessing of the Quilts Next Sunday, October 25

During worship next Sunday, October 25, the beautifully crafted quilts made by Mission Quilters during this last year will be blessed (below is a photo of quilts from October 2025). We hope you can make it to sit among and celebrate the quilts before they're boxed and mailed to Lutheran World Relief to be given to people in need. Thank you, quilters!



Choir Practice Schedule

Here's the upcoming Sunday choir practice schedule:

October 18—11:10 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

October 25—9:10-9:45 a.m.

November 1—9:10-9:45 a.m. and sing during church

Please talk with Nora T. if you have any questions.

Photos for the Directory

If you missed the photo sessions and still need your photo taken for the upcoming OSLC Directory, please contact Cynthia at office@oslcissaquah.org who will connect you with photographer Alice L.

Announcements

✝ Share & Prayer ✝

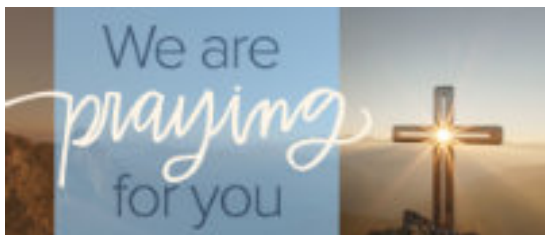
We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. Please email your prayer requests to office@oslcissaquah.org. A complete list of prayers can be found in the Focus newsletter each month.

- **Mary F.**, for healing and comfort
- **Dianne T.**, for healing and pain relief
- **Bobbie M.**, for a strong heart and successful cancer treatment (grandmother of Holly H.)
- **Hannelore M.**, for her heart issues (wife of Peter M.)
- **Christine W.**, may she feel God's love and guidance as her life moves on without Richard (friend of Anne E. and Mike A.)
- **Cheryl N.**, for health concerns
- **Rita H.**, who is undergoing aggressive chemo treatment for cancer (dear friend of Dianne T. and former OSLC member)
- **Dean V.**, in thanksgiving for a successful surgery and for continued healing (son-in-law of Doug and Dianne T.)
- **Judy K.**, who's recovering from back surgery (second cousin of Dianne T.)
- **Marilyn P.**, who had a stroke on July 27 (sister of Rick W.)
- **Doug T.**, thanksgiving and prayers for continued healing (husband of Dianne T.)
- **Corinne**, for peace of mind (daughter of Sandy A.)
- **Peter S.**, for healing from health issues
- **Debby B.**, for good healing from a recent outpatient surgical procedure
- **Alice L.**, for healing the torn meniscus in her right knee
- **Millie**, who prays "for my country that I will grow and protect it" (granddaughter of Wendy W. and Chuck B.)
- **Noa**, who prays "for love" (granddaughter of Wendy W. and Chuck B.)

Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

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

- **Marlice Gilmore**



Emergency Pastoral Care

For emergency pastoral care, please contact Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann at 360-912-1245 since Pr. Olaf is taking time off until Monday, October 26.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18—TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 a.m. *Tending the Wild Garden* Book Study (Anderson Hall)

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

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

11:00 a.m. Vine Maple Place Donation Drive (Narthex) and Helping Hands Program Presentation at Coffee Fellowship (Anderson Hall)

11:10 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

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, OCTOBER 20

7:00 p.m. Executive Committee (Online)

7:45 p.m. AA Meeting (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

6:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Education Room and Children's Classroom)

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 676 PLC Meeting (Anderson Hall)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

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

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

10:00 a.m. Library Reorganization (Library)

12:15 p.m. *Tending the Wild Garden* Book Study (Anderson Hall)

6:00 p.m. New Creation Bible Study (Library)

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25—REFORMATION SUNDAY/TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 a.m. *Tending the Wild Garden* Book Study (Anderson Hall)

9:10 a.m. Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service with Quilt Blessing (Sanctuary)

11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship (Anderson Hall)

12:00 p.m. Zadinsky Performance Class (Sanctuary)

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

4:00 p.m. ELCC Rite of Confirmation (St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Bellevue)