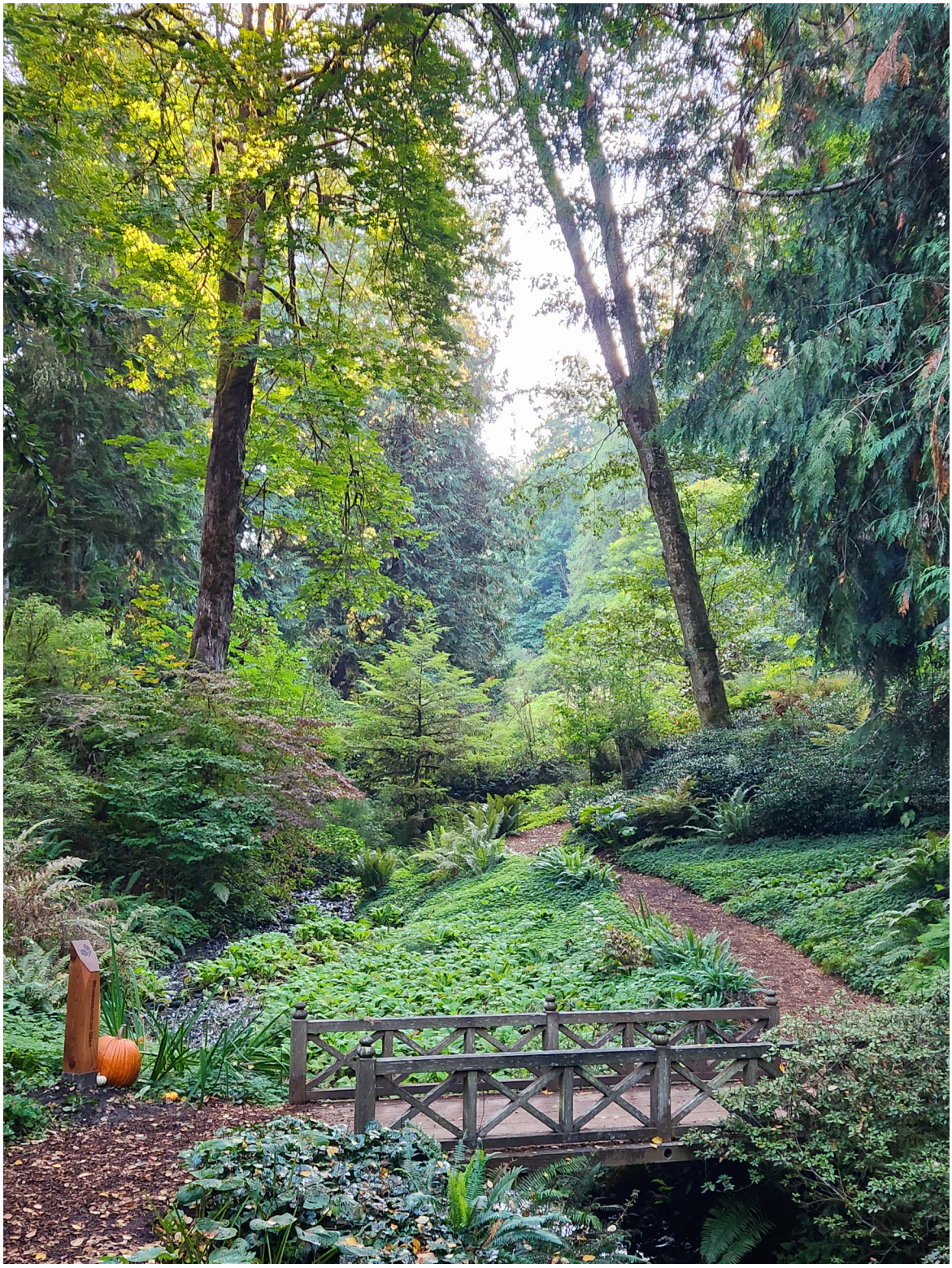


OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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. If you prefer to receive communion in your pew, please let an usher know. 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:

November 8, 2026
Prelude: *Sonata in D Major, K. 306*—Mozart
Offeringt: *Romanze, Op. 50—B*eethoven
Postlude: *Sonata, Op. 162 D. 574*—Schubert

Cover Photo: *The Winding Path (Bloedel Reserve)*, by Cynthia Delaney

25th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 15, 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.**

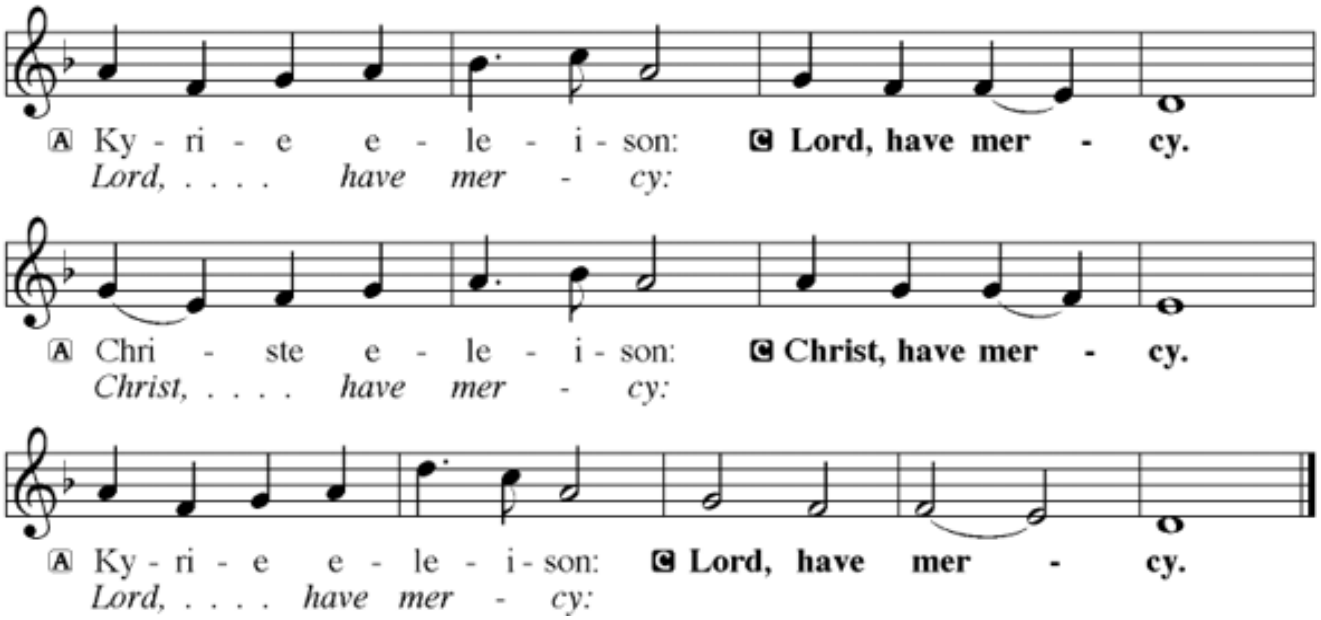
Gathering Hymn *Christ, Be Our Light* ELW 715

Greeting
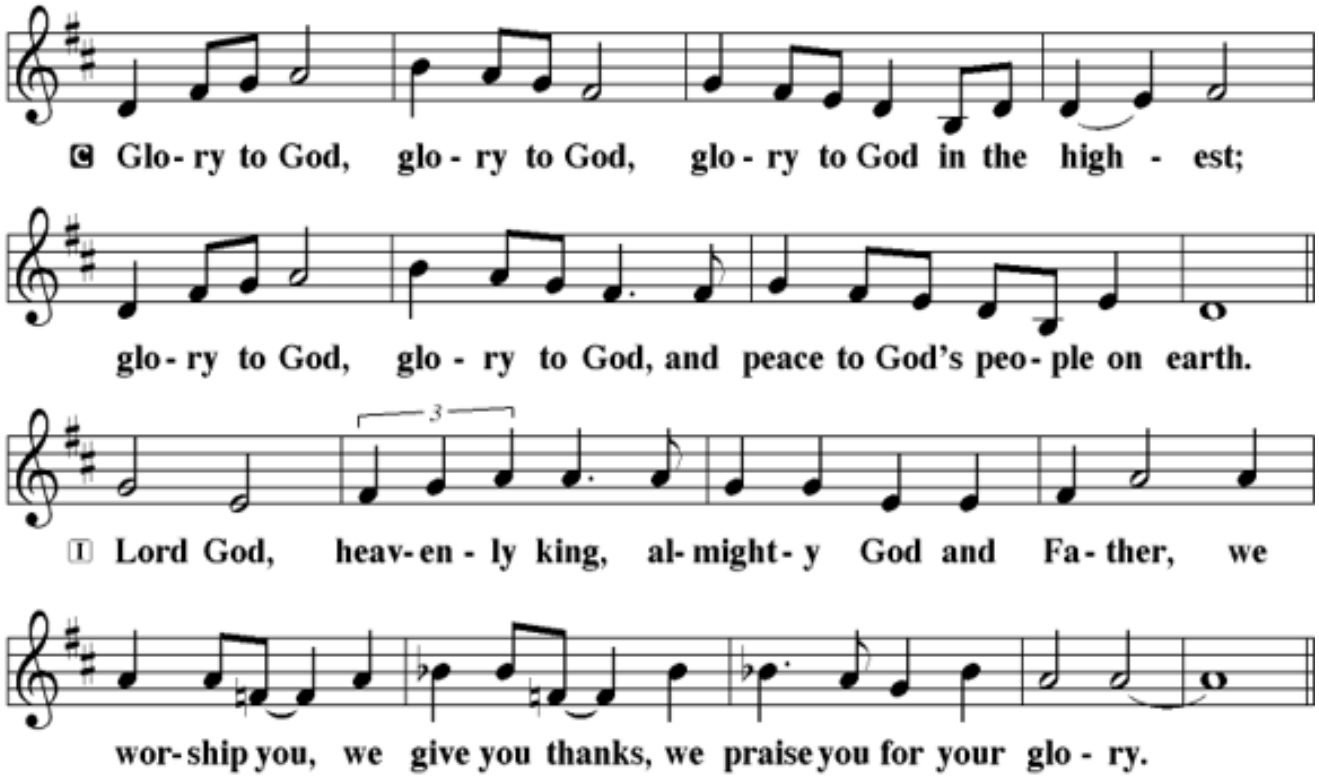
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
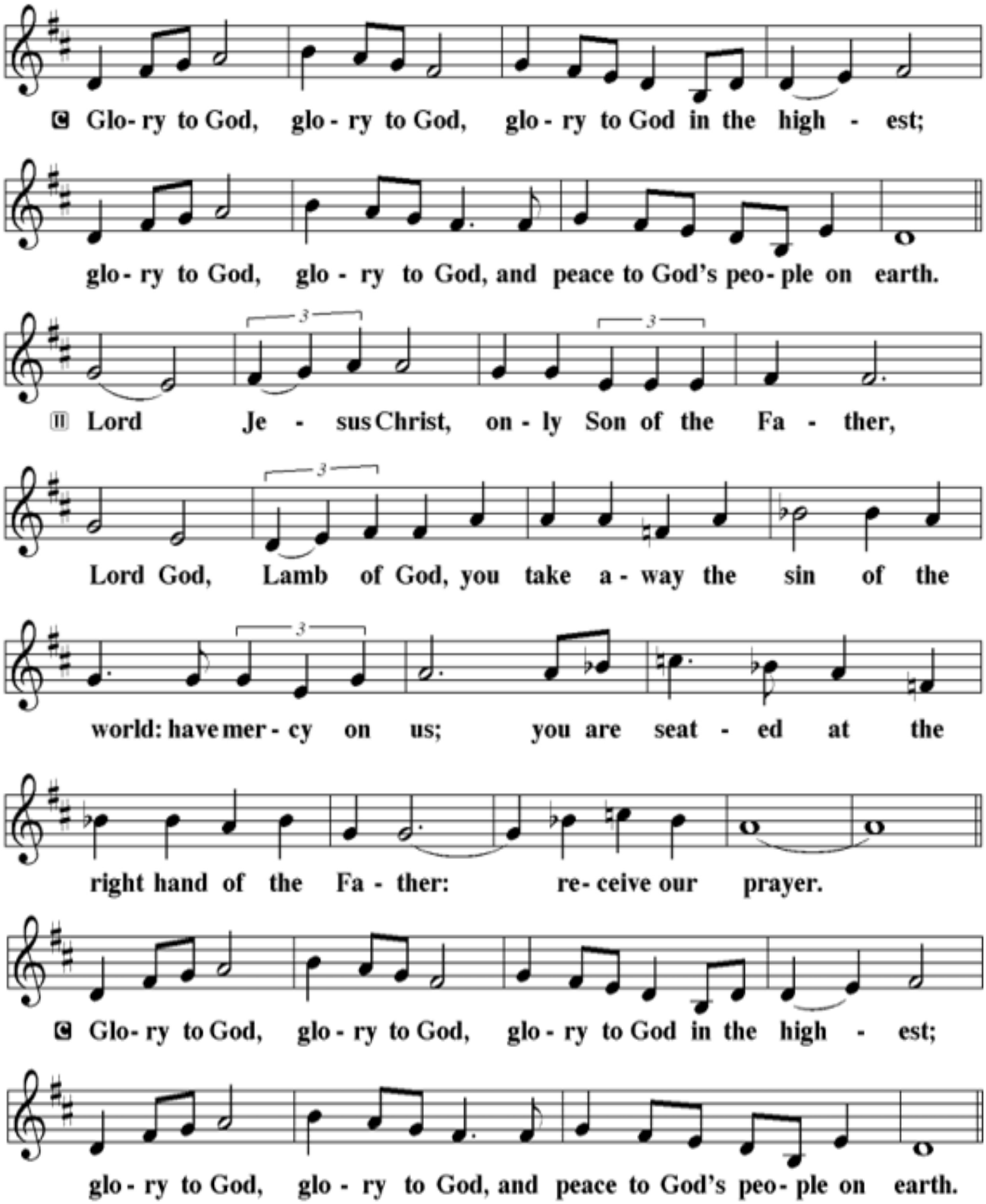
And also with you.

Kyrie
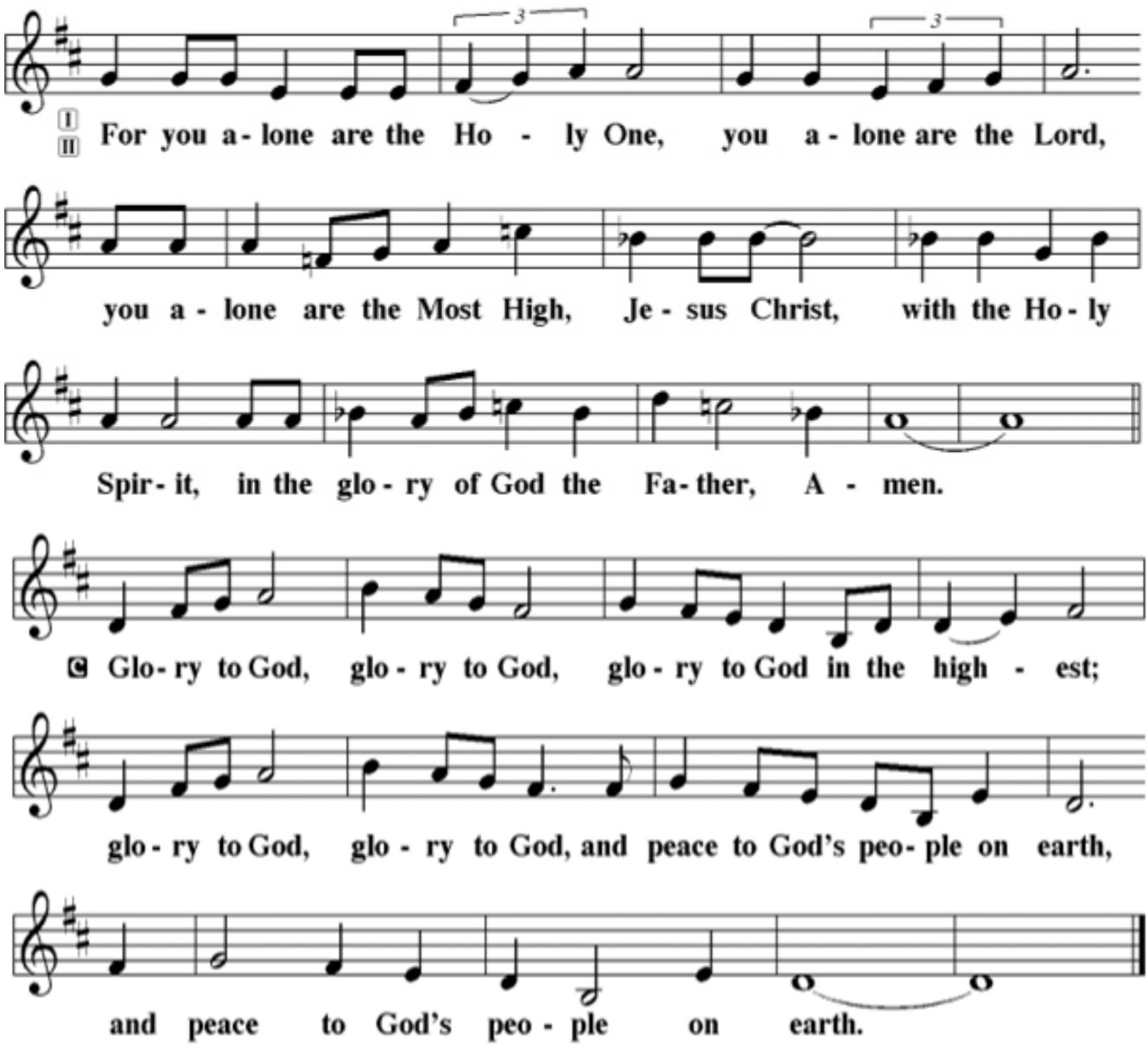


Hymn of Praise





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Prayer of the Day

WORD: God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

7 Be silent before the Lord God,
for the day of the Lord is at hand!
The Lord has prepared a sacrifice;
he has consecrated his guests.
12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who settle like dregs in wine,
those who say in their hearts,
"The Lord will not do good,
nor will he do harm."
13 Their wealth shall be plundered
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.
14 The great day of the Lord is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter;
the warrior cries aloud there.
15 That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.
17 I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the Lord,
their blood shall be poured out like dust
and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the Lord's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed,
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

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

Psalm 90:1-8, 12
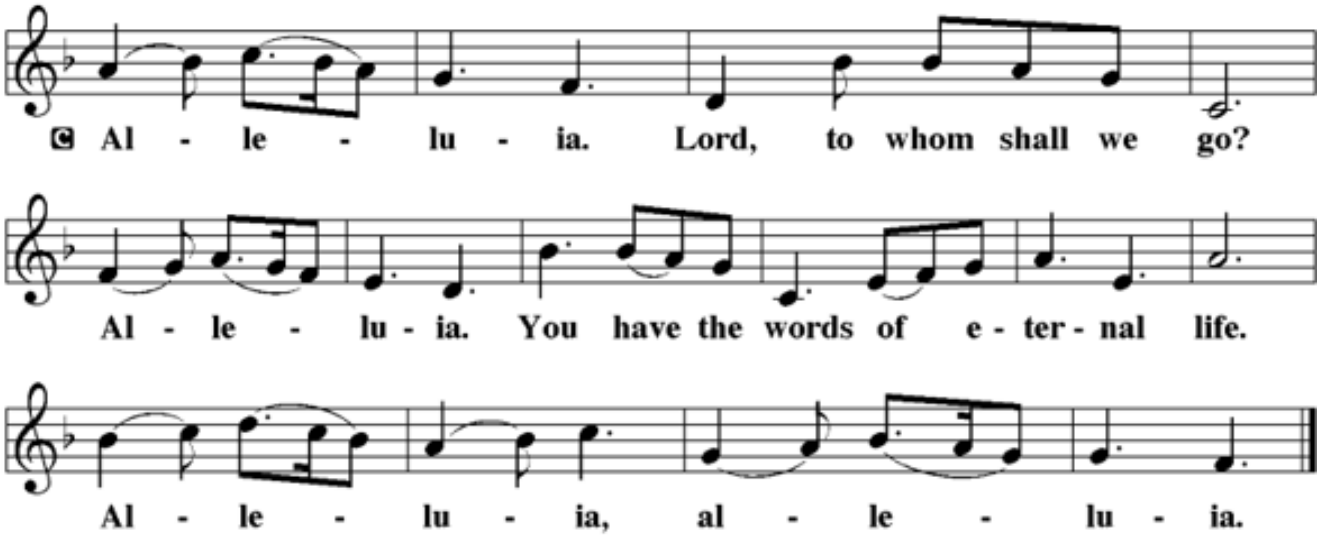
1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
2 **Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,**
from age to age you are God.
3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Go back, O child of earth."
4 **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past**
and like a watch in the night.
5 You sweep us away like a dream;
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
6 **In the morning it is green and flourishes;**
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7 For we consume away in your displeasure;
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
8 **Our iniquities you have set before you,**
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
12 So teach us to number our days,
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not
need to have anything written to you. 2 For you yourselves know very well that the
day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3 When they say, "There is peace
and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come
upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4 But you, brothers and
sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; 5 for you are all
children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness.
6 So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober,
7 for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night.
8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith
and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God has destined us not for
wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for
us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. 11 Therefore
encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey,
summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five
talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he
went away. At once 16 the one who had received the five talents went off and traded
with them and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the
two talents made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent
went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long
time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the
one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents,
saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more
talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you
have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things;
enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came
forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two
more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave;
you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things;
enter into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent
also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping
where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, 25 so I was afraid,
and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But
his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap
where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have
invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received
what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the
one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who have, more will be given, and they
will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have

will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise* ELW 310

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, and 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 all the law and the prophets.
3 I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.
Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.
By this everyone will know that 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.
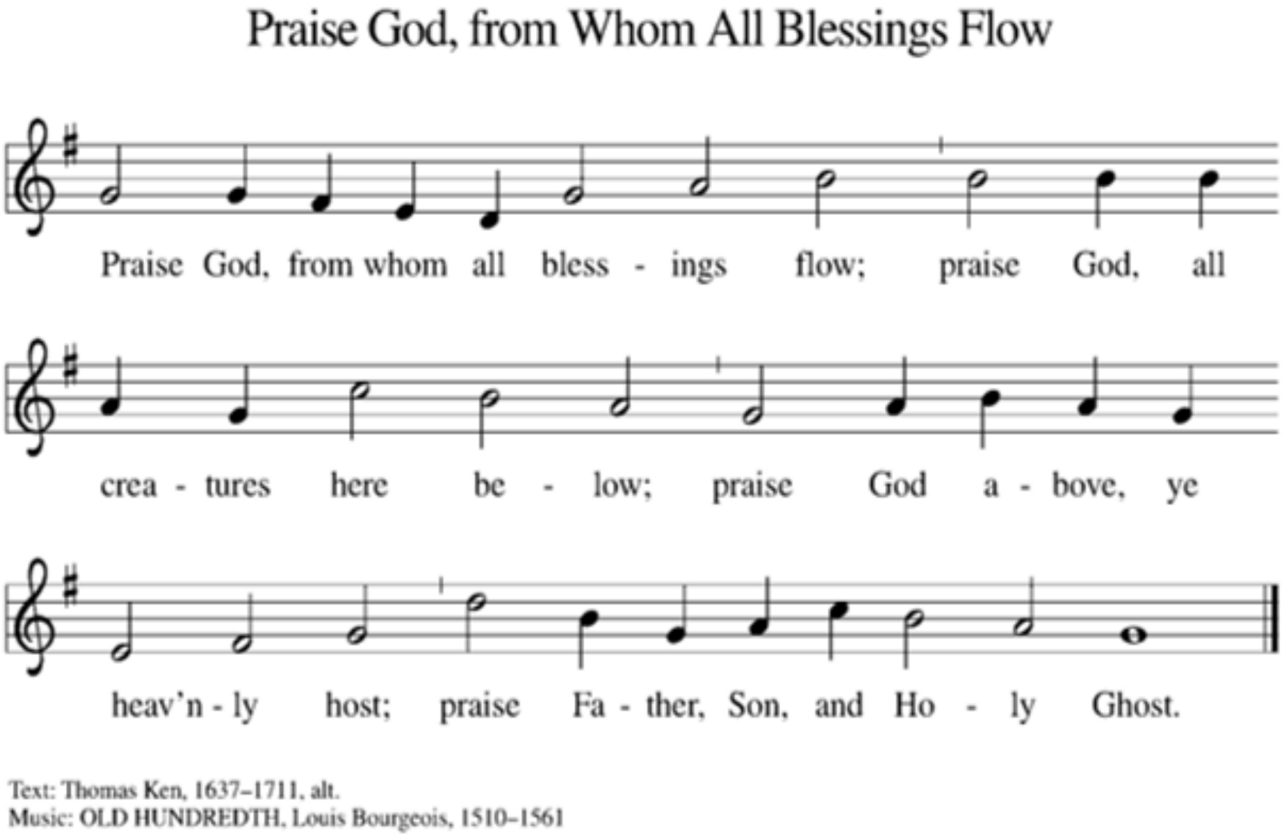
Temple Talk Rev. Judy Brennan

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 oslcissaquah.org. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Offering Music

Presentation of the Gifts



Offering Prayer

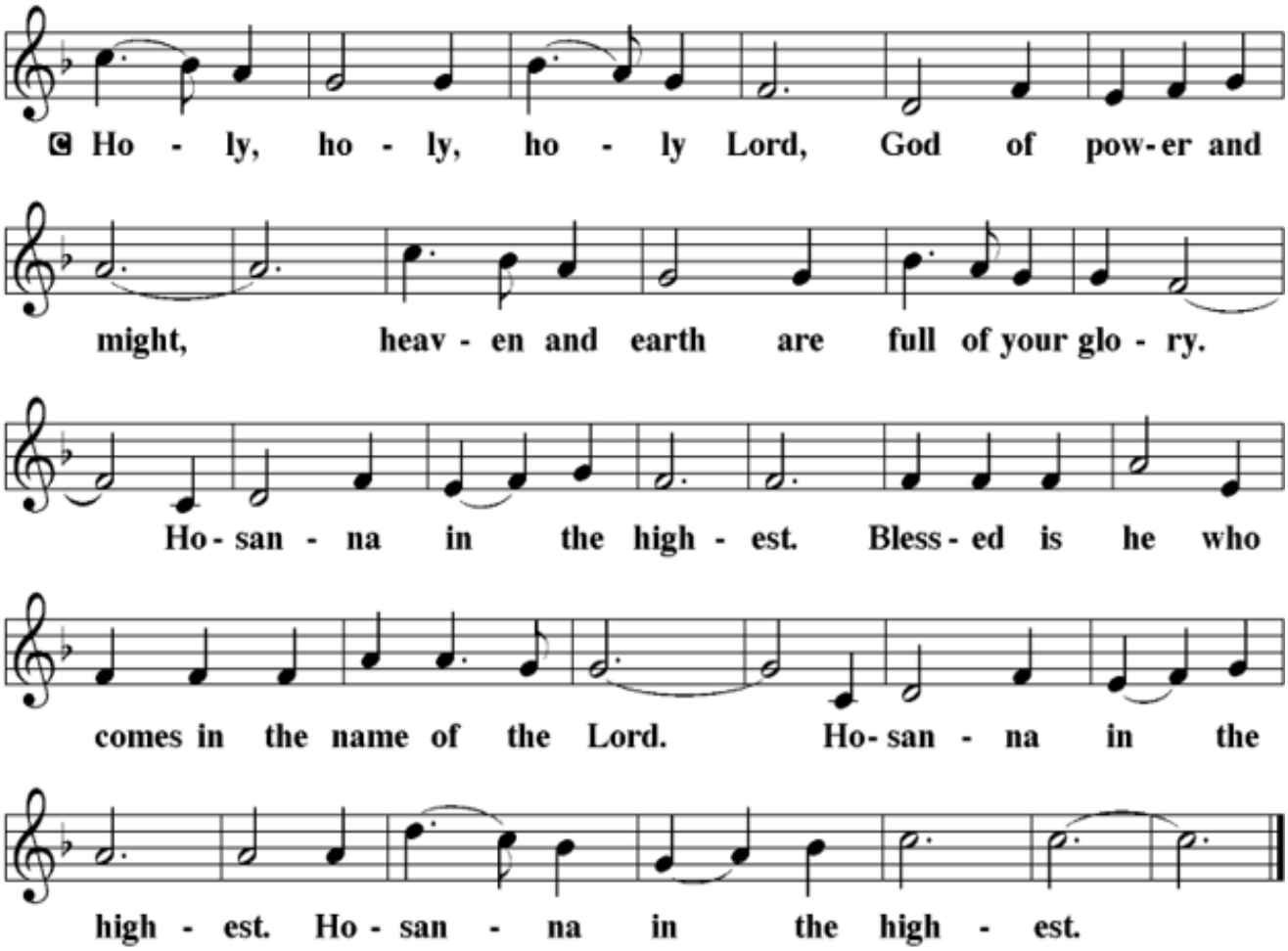
Dialogue

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



Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord's Prayer

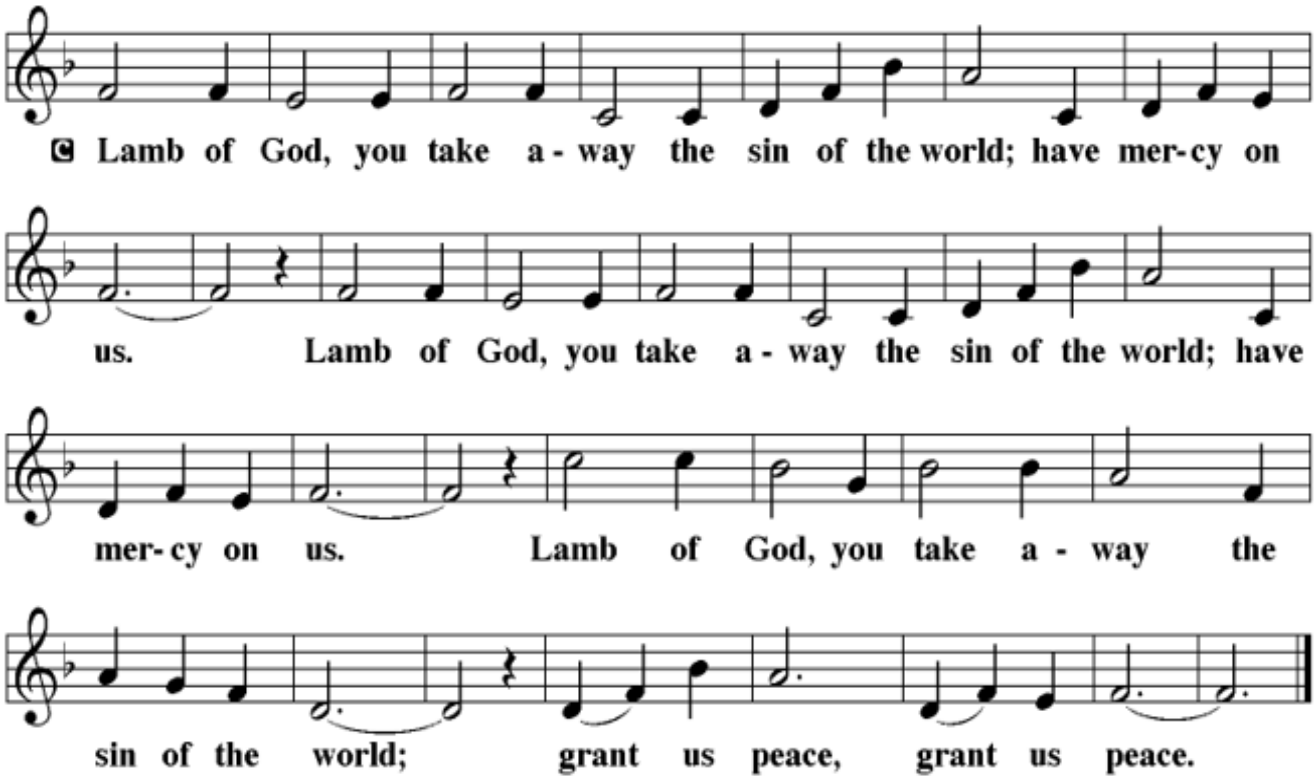
Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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



Communion Distribution Hymns

As We Gather at Your Table ELW 522

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly ELW 461

Praise and Thanksgiving ELW 689

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

Announcements

Pie Social Fundraiser Next Sunday, November 22

There will be a Pie Social on Sunday, November 22 at 11:00 a.m. in Anderson Hall. **Please bring a pie to share and label it with your name.** Donations are welcome to benefit the Women's Retreat Scholarship Fund for the next Women's Retreat in March.--Submitted by Suzanne D.



Tending the Wild Garden Study

For the next book study class sessions on Thursday, November 19 and Sunday, November 22, please read Chapter 9 and do the exercises in Chapter 8.

Weekly Inspiration from the Life of Faith Team

"The seed of faith is within each of us. It will find its way to the light one way or another." –From *Tending the Fruit of the Spirit* by Eugenia Gamble

Meet Your Neighbors Is Today

Today, November 15, at 11:15 a.m., Coffee Fellowship will include Mini-Bible Studies with your neighbors titled "Jesus at the Table." It's a great chance to sit at tables based on where you live and get to know your church neighbors better.

Guest Preacher Today, Nov. 15

Today Rev. Judy Brennan, Director for Evangelical Mission at the Northwest Washington Synod, will be our guest preacher during worship. Let's give her a warm welcome as she brings greetings from our synod!

Bell Choir Rehearsals Continue on Tuesday Evenings

Through December 15, Bell Choir rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays at 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.--Submitted by Wendy W.

Choir Practice Schedule

Here's the upcoming Sunday choir practice schedule:
November 15–9:10-9:45 a.m.
November 22–9:10-9:45 a.m. (and sing *Freedom Is Coming* during Offering)
November 29–No practice.
December 6–9:10-9:45 a.m.

Curiosity Corner

Deadline is today! Sign up today to participate in the Journey of Welcome. One-on-one conversations are currently being conducted by the members of the Reconciling in Christ Team. Signup sheets are located in Anderson Hall.
–Submitted by the Reconciling in Christ Team

Announcements

November Giving Opportunities

Today: Gift Card Collection for the Issaquah Food Bank: November 15 is the last day we'll collect **$25 gift cards** for the Issaquah Food Bank's Holiday Gifts Program. The gift cards requested are for **Amazon**, **Target,** or **Fred Meyer**. There's a drop box for them in the narthex. They'll be distributed to Food Bank clients to purchase holiday gifts for their children. The Food Bank also requests donations of wrapping paper and family-sized holiday candy. There's a table to collect them in the narthex. Thank you for donating!



Today: Flannel and Food Bank Sunday:. We hope you wore your flannel today and brought cans of soup or chili to donate to the Issaquah Food Bank. We'll take a group picture of the congregation (during announcements at the end of today's worship) in flannel to submit to the Eastside Lutheran Church Community.



All Month Long: Community Clothing Closet Coat Drive: You still have two weeks to drop new or gently used coats in the marked box in the narthex for the Community Clothing Closet. The coat collection will wrap up on **November 29**. It's been amazing to see the plethora of coats donated thus far!



Together, we can make a meaningful difference for our neighbors this November. Thank you for giving generously and helping our community feel supported and cared for!

Announcements

Free Clothing Event at OSLC on November 30

On Monday, November 30 from 2:00-5:00 p.m., the Community Clothing Closet will hold a Free Clothing Event in Anderson Hall. All are welcome.



Gently used and new clothing and accessories.

Current inventory: mostly women's and some men's clothing, adult winter coats, limited children's clothing.

Date: Monday, November 30

Time: 2 pm-5 pm

Location: Our Savior Lutheran Church
745 Front Street South, Issaquah

Everything is free. No registration required.

In partnership with Our Savior Lutheran Church

Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m.



Bless This Night Evening Vespers

Sunday, November 29 at 6:00 p.m.
at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Bellevue



Advent Wednesdays, December 2, 9, & 16

5:45-7:00 p.m. Soup and Pie
7:00-7:30 p.m. Holden Evening Prayer
at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
on Mercer Island



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
- **Cheryl N.,** for health concerns
- **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
- For my friend's little brother who got surgery on his back, so he feels better (Leighton W.)
- **Rita H.,** for peace of mind, healing, and no pain (dear friend of Dianne T. and former OSLC member)
- Thanksgiving for the arrival of **Maisie Rae** (great-granddaughter of Doug and Dianne T.), born on October 21 in England to parents Miranda and Jack
- **Doug D.,** who's recovering from a TIA



Emergency Pastoral Care

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

Serving in Worship Today

Presider: Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann
Preacher: Rev. Judy Brennan
Assisting Minister: Joan F.
Pianist: David Liu
Ushers: Anne E. and Mike A.
Altar Guild: Jane W. and Jean P.
Sound/Video: Jon S.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY, NOVEMBER 15—25TH 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 (Sanctuary)
11:00 a.m. Meet Your Neighbors at Coffee Fellowship (Anderson Hall)
12:00 p.m. Zadinsky Performance Class (Sanctuary)
12:30 p.m. New Creation Church (Youth Room)
2:00-9:00 p.m. Marcus Talley Student Music Recitals (Sanctuary and Anderson Hall)
4:00-7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Bellevue)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16
10:30 a.m. Congregational Care Ministry (Library)
3:00 p.m. Companions Bible Study (Online)
6:30 p.m. RIC Visioning Committee Meeting (Education Room)
6:30 p.m. Eagle Board of Review (Library)
7:00 p.m. Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17
7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. Executive Committee (Online)
7:45 p.m. AA Meeting (Anderson Hall)

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18
9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Issaquah Garden Club (Anderson Hall and Kitchen)
2:00 p.m. Life of Faith Meeting (Education Room)
6:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Education Room and Children's Classroom)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 676 PLC (Anderson Hall)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19
9:30 a.m. Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)
10:00 a.m. Al-Anon (Education Room)
12:15 p.m. *Tending the Wild Garden* Book Study (Anderson Hall)
1:00 p.m. Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)
6:00 p.m. New Creation Bible Study (Library)
7:00 p.m. Finance Committee (Online)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
12:00-4:00 p.m. Aline L.'s Eagle Scout Project (Camping Gear Drop-off and Sorting) (Anderson Hall)
2:00-6:00 p.m. Master Chorus Eastside Wreath & Garland Distribution (Parking Lot)

<u>Next Sunday, November 22</u>—Christ the King
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 (Sanctuary)
11:00 a.m. Pie Social at Coffee Fellowship (Anderson Hall)
12:30 p.m. New Creation Church (Youth Room)

