



OUR SAVIOUR'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bringing Christ to the people and the people to Christ.

We are a community of faith, formed in the grace and joy of Jesus Christ.

We are a people involved in God's sure and unfolding promise to mend His creation through the life, death and resurrection of His Son, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are a church under the cross of Christ, shaped by the ancient rhythms of Christian worship, fellowship, and service to others.

Come share the joy!

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT (YEAR C)

MARCH 30, 2025 • 10:00 A.M.



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Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith;

God does not expect us to make the journey alone.

Our Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

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Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

You may use this time for silent meditation to prepare your heart for worship

Welcome to Our Saviour's

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. **Guests**, please fill out the **yellow Guest Connect Card** on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- If you have any **prayer requests**, needs, or concerns, please complete the **blue card** on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.
- As no ordained pastor is present today, our worship will include distribution of those elements set apart earlier by Pastor Christinia Seibel. In this sense, the Lord's Body and Blood offered today is an extension of the celebration of the Sacrament of the Alter at that time.

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him."

Psalm 96:9

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ "BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS" (LBW #107)

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I long to take my stand;
The shadow of a mighty rock
Within a weary land,
A home within a wilderness,
A rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat
and burdens of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus,
My eye at times can see
The very dying form of one
Who suffered there for me.

And from my contrite heart, with tears,
Two wonders I confess:
The wonder of his glorious love
and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, your shadow
For my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
The sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by,
To know no gain nor loss,
My sinful self my only shame,
My glory all, the cross.

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

As the Pastor says the Invocation, the Sign of the Cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of our Baptisms.

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

P 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**

P 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 and self-examination.

P 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

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. In the name of Jesus 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**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P 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 In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **℣ Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

℣ Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **℣ Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **℣ Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **℣ Amen**

P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P “See Insert” **C** Amen

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ Isaiah 12:1-6

R “See Insert” **R** This is the Word of the Lord! **C** Thanks be to God!

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 32

R “See Insert”

SECOND READING ~ 2 CORINTHIANS 5:16-21

R “See Insert” **R** This is the Word of the Lord! **C** Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S SONG ~ “RISE AND SHINIE”

Rise and shine	Rise and shine
And give God the glory, glory	And give God the glory, glory
Rise and shine	Children of the Lord
And give God the glory, glory	

Feeding Our Little Lambs

Please stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ “RETURN TO THE LORD” ~ (P. 83 LBW)

Return to the Lord, your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love

THE HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 15th Chapter. **C** Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

P The Gospel of the Lord. **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON ~ BLAINE DAVIS

THE LENTEN JOURNEY BACK TO THE FATHER’S TABLE

PLEASE STAND

Hymn Of The Day ~ "O LIVING BREAD FROM HEAVEN" (LBW #197)

O living Bread from heaven,
How well you feed your guest!
The gifts that you have given
Have filled my heart with rest.
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,
Oh, cup that heals our woes!
My heart, this gift possessing,
With praises overflows!

My Lord, you here have led me
Within your holiest place,
And here yourself have fed me
With treasures of your grace;
For you have freely given
What earth could never buy,
The bread of life from heaven,
That now I shall not die.

You gave me all I wanted;
This food can death destroy.
And you have freely granted
The cup of endless joy.
My Lord, I do not merit
The favor you have shown,
And all my soul and spirit
Bow down before your throne.

Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened
With heav'nly food, while here
My course on earth is lengthened,
To serve with holy fear.
And when you call my spirit
To leave this world below,
I enter, through your merit,
Where joys unmingled flow.

Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Confident in God's steadfast love through Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers:

P Lord, in your mercy, **C** Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen**

Please be seated

OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please stand

The Doxology~ PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (LBW #564)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, ✠Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Post Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us — our vocations, our time, our possessions — signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Please remain standing

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C And also with you.**

At this time, we invite you to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbors

THE HOLY MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 LBW

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P 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; You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

^P Whenever we gather for the celebration of Holy Communion, we hear again the wonderful story of God's mighty acts, and of the love shown to us in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. With thanksgiving, we remember that In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: *Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

^P Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

^P For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death, until he comes.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

^P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus

^P Send now we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

^P We are given assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of His Holy Spirit. Now, we receive this same bread of life and this same cup of blessing, that we may be strengthened through these gifts.

^P Let us pray: Almighty Father, whose dear Son instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

C Amen

^P Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

LAMB OF GOD ~ p. 92 LBW

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS:

“THERE’S A WIDENESS IN GOD’S MERCY” (LBW #290)

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea;

There’s a kindness in his justice
Which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth’s sorrows
Are more felt than up in heav’n.

There is no place where earth’s failings
Have such kindly judgment giv’n.

There is welcome for the sinner,
And a promised grace made good;

There is mercy with the Savior;
There is healing in his blood.

There is grace enough for thousands
Of new worlds as great as this;

There is room for fresh creations
In that upper home of bliss.

For the love of God is broader
Than the measures of our mind;

And the heart of the eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.

There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;

There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the head.

’Tis not all we owe to Jesus;
It is something more than all:

Greater good because of evil,
Larger mercy through the fall.

If our love were but more simple,
We should take him at his word;

And our lives would be all sunshine
In the sweetness of our Lord.

“ABOVE ALL”

Above all powers, above all kings,

Above all nature and all created things,

Above all wisdom and all the ways of man,

You were here before the world began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,

Above all wonders the world has ever known,

Above all wealth and treasures of the earth,

There’s no way to measure what you’re worth.

Crucified...laid behind a stone,
You lived to die...rejected and alone.
Like a rose, trampled on the ground,
You took the fall
And thought of me
Above all.

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And thought of me
Above all.

"CROWNS"

There is a hill I cherish
Where stood a precious tree
The emblem of salvation
The gift of Calvary
How is it I should profit?
While He is crucified
Yet as His life was taken
So I was granted mine

Chorus

*My wealth is in the cross
There is nothing more I want
Than just to know His love
My heart is set on Christ
And I will count all else as loss
The greatest of my crowns
Mean nothing to me now
For I counted up the cost
And all my wealth is in the cross*

I will not boast in riches
I have no pride in gold
But I will boast in Jesus
And in His name alone
Chorus

Yes all my wealth is in the cross

And when I stand in glory
My crowns before the Lord
Let this be my confession
My wealth is in the cross
Chorus x2

And all my wealth is in the cross
Yes all my wealth is in the cross
My wealth is in the cross
Yes all my wealth is in the cross

Please stand

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C Amen**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ "SONG OF SIMEON"

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace,
Your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the Salvation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.
A light to reveal you to the Nations,
And the glory of your people, Israel.
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

BENEDICTION ~P. 95 LBW

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit. **C Amen**

CLOSING HYMN ~ "O CHRIST, OUR HOPE" Vss 1, 2, 4 (LBW #300)

O Christ, our hope, our hearts' desire,	And bow your head in cruel death
Creation's mighty Lord,	To make us clean within,
Redeemer of the fallen world,	To make us clean within.
By holy love out-poured,	Oh, let your mighty love prevail
By holy love out-poured.	To purge us of our pride,
How vast the mercy to accept	That we may stand before your throne
The burden of our sin,	By mercy purified,
	By mercy purified.

DISMISSAL

P Go in Peace, serve the Lord

C Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Jenny Videtto
Acolyte:	Charles and Caedmon Cumming
Ushers:	Jerry Redman & Terry Ball
Reader:	Susie Bartlemay
Communion Assistants:	Karin Davis, Ken Pontious, Alan Cumming
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (March 31-April 6)

Monday:	Men's Group	8:00 PM
Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 AM
	Spin Class	6:00 PM
Wednesday:	Lenten Supper & Service	5:30 PM & 6:30 PM
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 AM
	CoDA	6:00 PM
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #1	
Sunday:	Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Bible Study	9:00 AM
	Choir	9:15 AM
	Worship	10:00 AM
	Confirmation	4:00 PM

Attendance

Sunday, March 23, 2025:	78
2025 Average:	78

Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings:	\$ 3,657
2025 Total of Mar. Offerings:	\$ 21,696
2025 Total Offerings to Date:	\$ 73,610

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, April 2—Lenten Soup Supper 5:30 PM
Vespers Service 6:30 PM

Wednesday, April 9th—Lenten Soup Supper 5:30 PM
Vespers Service 6:30 PM

Holy Week

Sunday, April 13th—Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 17—Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 PM

Friday, April 18—Good Friday Service 6:30 PM

Saturday, April 19—Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 AM

Sunday, April 20— Easter Breakfast
Easter Service 10:00 AM (only one service)

PRAYER LIST

Our Members

Blaine Davis, Toby Fite, Peter Eng, Chris Burris, John Minster, Mary Ferguson, Sam Hough, Amber Tizcareno, AJ & Tammy Noecker, Jeanine Franklin, Carol Barner, Gloria Guilfoyle, Jim & Janet Anthony, Tom & Mary Criswell, Kathleen Grant, Phyllis Guysinger, Larry & Joanne Hill, Sarah Lyles, Diane Polley, Curt & Joyce Peterson, Ellie Sadek, Margo Williams

Family & Friends

Roger Byers, Nick Lopez, Clayton Pinkerton, Milo Day, Ann Spears, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Rebecca Smith, Blake Madewell, Joanna Garrett, Richard Grinnell

If you have any updates or changes to the prayer list, please contact
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