

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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*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!

Our Pastor

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The Madonna della Pietà

Michelangelo Buonarroti 1499

Fourth Sunday in Lent - Year B
March 10, 2024 • 10:00 A.M.



Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith; God does not expect us to make the journey alone.

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Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

Welcome and Family News

- 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 card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate later in the service.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.

Please stand

GATHERING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“ALAS! AND DID MY SAVIOR BLEED” (LBW #98) Vs 1-3

Alas and did my Savior bleed,
And did my Sov'reign die.
Would He devote that sacred head
For sinners such as I?

Chorus:

*At the cross, at the cross
Where I first saw the light,
And the burden of my heart rolled away.
It was there by faith I received my sight
And now I am happy all the day.*

Was it for crimes that I have done
He groaned upon the tree
Amazing pity grace unknown
And love beyond degree.

Chorus

Well might the sun in darkness hide
And shut His glories in
When Christ the mighty Maker died
For man the creature's sin.

Chorus

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. **C 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. **C 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,

C 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. 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.

C 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. **C And also with you.**

KYRIE

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C Lord, have mercy.**

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

C 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. **C Lord, have mercy.**

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

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

^P Most Holy Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you our humble thanks and praise for the salvation your Son accomplished for us, and we praise you that, in Him, you have loved us before the world began. Grant us always the gift of your Spirit, that we might come to the light of your Word in the confidence of your love that it might expose our sins and that we may always turn from them and seek refuge in the Savior you provided even Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ^C **Amen**

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING: NUMBERS 21:4-9

^R ⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a Bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

^R This is the Word of the Lord! ^C **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 107:1-9

^R ¹Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

^C ²**Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble**

^R ³and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

^C ⁴**Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in;**

^R ⁵hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

C ⁶Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

R ⁷He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.

C ⁸Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man!

R ⁹For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 2:1-10

R ¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience – ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved – ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

R This is the Word of the Lord! **C** **Thanks be to God!**

Feeding Our Little Lambs ~ “Come Into My Heart, Lord Jesus”

Into my heart, into my heart,
Come in-to my heart, Lord Je-sus;
Come in to-day, come in to stay;
Come into my heart, Lord Je-sus.

Please stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ “RETURN TO THE LORD”

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. John, the 3rd Chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

JOHN 3:14-21

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

Broken People Can Be Restored By God

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

"IN CHRIST ALONE "

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song. This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace; When fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my All-in-all; Here in the love of Christ I stand.	And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand. 'Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.
There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious Day, Up from the grave He rose again.	

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

^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 the congregation responds... Hear our prayer.

^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

Please stand

THE OFFERTORY ~ "PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"

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 — ourselves, our time, and 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

THE HOLY MEAL

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

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 good, right, and salutary that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You call your people to repent of sin and prepare for the joy of the paschal feast. Renew us in faith and holiness, and bring us into the fullness of your grace and truth 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:

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 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 Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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

“CROWNS”

“GOD WILL MAKE A WAY”

“BREATHE ON ME BREATH OF GOD”

Please stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We will have a brief Congregational Meeting directly after services today. Please stay and vote on getting our roof repaired.

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Our Midweek Lenten service continues the next two Wednesdays (March 13th & 20th) with a meal at 5:30 and worship service at 6:30. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex to volunteer to bring soup, salad, or bread.

EASTER LILIES

In the next two weeks, March 17th and 24th we will be selling Easter Lilies in memory of or in honor of someone. Each plant will cost \$12.00 and you can take them home after the 10:00 Easter Service.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PROVIDE A PLANT?

Please take a moment and look at the Giving Tree poster for the re-landscaping of the grounds that is in the Narthex. There is a list of prices for each plant with which we intend to fill these [soon-to-be] beautiful flowerbeds. This is a pay-as-we-go project, so...if you wish, you may donate a tree, a bush or a flower. Just (1) take one of the little brown envelopes from the giving tree, (2) fill out the information, (3) put in your money or check and (4) drop it in the offering plate or Amanda's office. If you don't want to pick a specific plant...we will still happily take your money! (Luke 12:27)

EASTER EGG HUNT

Our Easter Egg Hunt will be on March 30th at 10:00 am.

Starting March 3rd, bagged, empty Easter eggs, will be available in the Narthex, for filling. Please take a bag or two and fill them with candy, then bring back the next Sunday. All eggs need to be back by Friday, March 29th to the church.

There will be a carnival with games, face painting and crafts in the fellowship hall, along with the guessing game for really big kids as well, followed by the Easter Egg Hunt with hunting grounds for ages from 1 to 6th grade. We love for adults to get involved in the egg toss outside.

Anyone wanting to help, call Carmen Nazario at 972-533-9935.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

We are starting an 8 week Bible study on Elijah, beginning April 4 at 10:00 a.m. We have Life Guide study books of Elijah available for \$11. Contact Chris Burris at 303-668-6643 (Phone or text) or email at cburris9031@gmail.com for more info.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORIES

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Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeters:	Tom & Joyce Lewis
Acolytes:	Penelope & Annabelle Davis
Ushers:	Ed & Connie Lucas
Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Sylvia Miller
Communion Assistants:	Blaine & Karin Davis, Sally Dengerud
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MARCH 28	6:30 PM MAUNDY THURSDAY
FRIDAY, MARCH 29	6:30 PM GOOD FRIDAY
SATURDAY, MARCH 30	10:00 AM EASTER EGG HUNT
SUNDAY, MARCH 31	8:30 AM SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE
SUNDAY, MARCH 31	9:00 - 9:30 BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, MARCH 31	10:00 2ND EASTER SERVICE

**Upcoming Activities at OSLC
(March 11th-17th)**

~ Spring Break Week ~

Tuesday:	Quilter's	9:00 a.m.
	Spin Class	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	Embroiderer's	9:30 a.m.
	Lent Meal	5:30 p.m.
	Lent Service	6:30 p.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Prime Timers	12:00 p.m.
	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #3	
	Embroiderer's Guild	9:00 a.m.
Sunday:	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	Sunday School & Youth	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.

Stewardship

Monthly Budget	\$ 26,875
Previous February Offerings	\$ 20,101
Other Weekly Offerings	<u>\$ 920</u>
Total February Offerings	\$ 21,021
Offerings on March 3rd	\$ 2,866
2024 Offerings to Date	\$ 51,226

March 3, 2024

Attendance Last Week	98
2024 Average Attendance	101