

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!

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February 18, 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

“COME TO CALVARY’S HOLY MOUNTAIN” (LBW #301)

Come to Calv’ry’s holy mountain, sinners, ruined by the fall; here a pure and healing fountain flows to you, to me, to all, in a full perpetual tide, opened when our Savior died.	here the troubled peace may find. Health this fountain will restore; those who drink shall thirst no more. Those who drink shall live forever; 'tis a soul-renewing flood. God is faithful; God will never break his covenant of blood, signed when our redeemer died, sealed when he was glorified.
Come in sorrow and contrition, wounded, impotent, and blind; here the guilty, free remission,	

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 Holy God, through the covenant of baptism you give us new life for the sake of the world. Sustain us by your Holy Spirit, strengthen us in times of temptation and protect us from all evil; through 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: GENESIS 22:1-18

R ¹ After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ² He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴ On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶ And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷ And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸ Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together. ⁹ When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹² He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³ And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵ And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven
¹⁶ and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸ and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

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

PSALM 25:1-10

R ¹ To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

C ² **O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.**

R ³ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

C ⁴ **Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.**

R ⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

C ⁶ **Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**

R ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

C ⁸ **Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

R ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

C ¹⁰ **All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

SECOND READING: JAMES 1:12-18

R ¹² Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵ Then desire

when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death. ¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

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

Feeding Our Little Lambs ~ “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

Please stand

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

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. Mark, the 1st Chapter.

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

MARK 1:9-15

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

Wild Beasts and Ministering Angels

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Baptized in Water” (WOV #693)

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our king: Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, Faithfully now God’s praise we sing.	One with his rising, freed and forgiven, Thankfully now God’s praise we sing. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ, our king: Born of the Spirit, we are God’s children; Joyfully now God’s praise we sing.
Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, Dead in the tomb with Christ, our king:	

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 DOXOLOGY ~ "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 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:

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

“BRIGHTEST AND BEST OF THE STARS” (LBW #84) Vs. 1-4

“CROWNS”

“BREATHE ON ME BREATH OF GOD”

Please stand

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

CANTICLE ~ “NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD” (LBW #534) V. 3

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav’n adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. C **Amen**

BENEDICTION ~ P. 94 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**

SENDING HYMN

“BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS” (LBW #107) Vs. 1&3

Beneath the cross of Jesus	I take, O cross, your shadow
I long to take my stand;	For my abiding place;
The shadow of a mighty rock	I ask no other sunshine than
Within a weary land,	The sunshine of his face;
A home within a wilderness,	Content to let the world go by,
A rest upon the way,	To know no gain nor loss,
From the burning of the noontide	My sinful self my only shame,
Heat and burdens of the day.	My glory all, the cross.

DISMISSAL

^PThe Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus' name. ^C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Our Midweek Lenten service continues each Wednesday starting February 21st 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.

QUILT OF VALOR

Quilts of Valor will be awarded today at Noon. Stick around after worship to share this special event as Jim Anthony, John Ferguson, Jana Snyder and Travis Snyder will be recognized for their service to our country. Visitors are welcome.

WILL YOU HELP?

We are planning on having our **FIRST** workday for the Garden Update on Saturday, February 24th [weather permitting...and no Arctic blast occurs] beginning at 9:00 a.m. We really and truly need all the help we can get! Please come prepared to get grubby. Part of the work will be amending a flower bed and part of the work will be digging out the roots of the old Crepe Myrtles. Feel free to bring your shovels and garden picks if you have them. Lunch for the workers will be provided (2 Corinthians 8:12).

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 intent 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)

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (February 19th - 25th)

Tuesday:	Quilter's	9:00 a.m.
	Spin Class	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	Lent Meal	5:30 p.m.
	Lent Service	6:30 p.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #4	
	Gardening Work Day	9:00 a.m.
Sunday:	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	Sunday School & Youth	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeters: Ron & Turi Nixon
Acolyte: Charles & Caedmon Cumming
Ushers: Robert & Nicholas Henriksen
Cantor: Blaine Davis
Reader: Roger Stai
Communion Assistants: Alan & Sarah Cumming, Susan Buntz
Projectionist: Toby Fite

Stewardship

Monthly Budget	\$ 26,875
Offerings on February 11th	\$ 3,021
Other Weekly Offerings	<u>\$ 2,282</u>
Total Weekly Offerings	\$ 5,303
Previous February Offerings	<u>\$ 3,417</u>
Total February Offerings	\$ 8,720
Total Year to Date Offerings	\$ 36,059

February 11, 2024

Attendance Last Week	92
2024 Average Attendance	99