

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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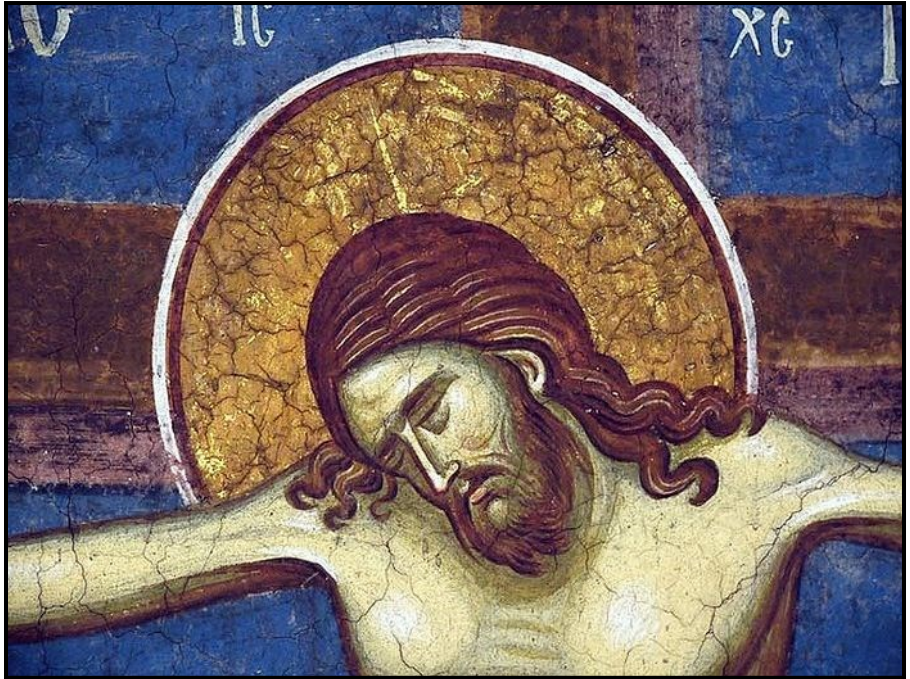
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Once a sign of shame, the cross is now a sign of eternal honor and glory. Christians should never be ashamed of the cross. Instead, they should carry it secretly in their heart as their most precious treasure and they should carry it on their banner triumphantly throughout the world as a wonderful sign of the redemption of the world and as the dearest symbol of their holy religion, their faith, and their hope." -C.F.W. Walther, *God Grant It*

Third Sunday in Lent - Year B

March 3, 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

"BENEATH THE CROSS OF JESUS" (LBW #107) Vs 1&3

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.

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. ^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 Let's pray... My Heavenly Father, I thank you, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, that you kept me safe from all evil and danger last night. Save me, I pray, today as well, from every evil and sin, so that all I do and the way that I live will please you. I put myself in your care, body and soul and all that I have. Let your holy Angels be with me, so that the evil enemy will not gain power over me.

-Morning Prayer, Small Catechism ^C **Amen**

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING: EXODUS 20:1-17

^R ¹God spoke all these words, saying, ²"I am the LORD your God, who brought you you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.³You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. ⁸Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. ¹²Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³You shall not murder. ¹⁴You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵You shall not steal. ¹⁶You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

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

PSALM 19

R ¹The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

C ²**Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.**

R ³There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.

C ⁴**Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun,**

R ⁵which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

C ⁶**Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.**

R ⁷The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple;

C ⁸**the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes;**

R ⁹the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

C ¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.**

R ¹¹Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

C ¹²**Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.**

R ¹³Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

C ¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31

R ¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not

God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. ²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹so that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the LORD."

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

Feeding Our Little Lambs ~ "Father Abraham"

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. John, the 2nd Chapter.

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

JOHN 2:13-22

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

Christ Crucified... For You!

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

“In the Cross of Christ, I Glory” (LBW #104)

In the cross of Christ I glory,
Tow’ring o’er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
adds more luster to the day.

When the woes of life o’ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me;
Lo, it glows with peace and joy.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

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

“TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS”

“THE POWER OF THE CROSS”

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

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

“WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS” (LBW #482) Vs. 1,2,&4

When I survey the wondrous cross	All the vain things that charm me most,
on which the prince of glory died,	I sacrifice them to his blood.
My richest gain I count but loss	Were the whole realm of nature mine,
and pour contempt on all my pride.	That were a tribute far too small;
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast	Love so amazing, so divine,
save in the death of Christ, my God;	Demands my soul, my life, my all.

DISMISSAL

^P The Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus’ name. ^C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Our Midweek Lenten service continues each Wednesday 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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We will have a brief Congregational Meeting directly after service next Sunday to vote on authorizing funds to pay for our deductible to replace the church roof.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Due to Spring Break, there are no Sunday School or Youth Class on Sunday, March 10th or March 17th. Have a great Spring Break week!

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)

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.

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Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Helen Siebert
Acolyte:	Max Bothner
Ushers:	Ryan Gibbs & Joe Coke
Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Travis Snyder
Communion Assistants:	Jana Coke, Linda Webster, & Jana Snyder
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

**Upcoming Activities at OSLC
(March 4th - 10th)**

Monday:	Gardening Meeting	10:00 a.m.
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 #2	
Sunday:	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	No Sunday School	
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Congregational Meeting	11:15 a.m.
	Council Meeting	11:30 a.m.

Stewardship

Monthly Budget	\$ 26,875
Offerings on February 25th	\$ 2,141
Other Weekly Offerings	<u>\$ 1,065</u>
Total Weekly Offerings	\$ 3,206
Previous February Offerings	<u>\$ 16,895</u>
Total February Offerings	\$ 20,101
Total Year to Date Offerings	\$ 47,440

February 25, 2024

Attendance Last Week	109
2024 Average Attendance	102