

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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Church Mission

" Bringing Christ
to the people...
...the people to Christ "

Church Slogan

Living, Loving,
Leading, and Laughing;
that's Our Saviour's
Lutheran Church

Our Ministers

The people

Our Pastor

Rev. Dr. Mark Braaten

Parish Administrator

Debbie Miller

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Jaeyong Lee

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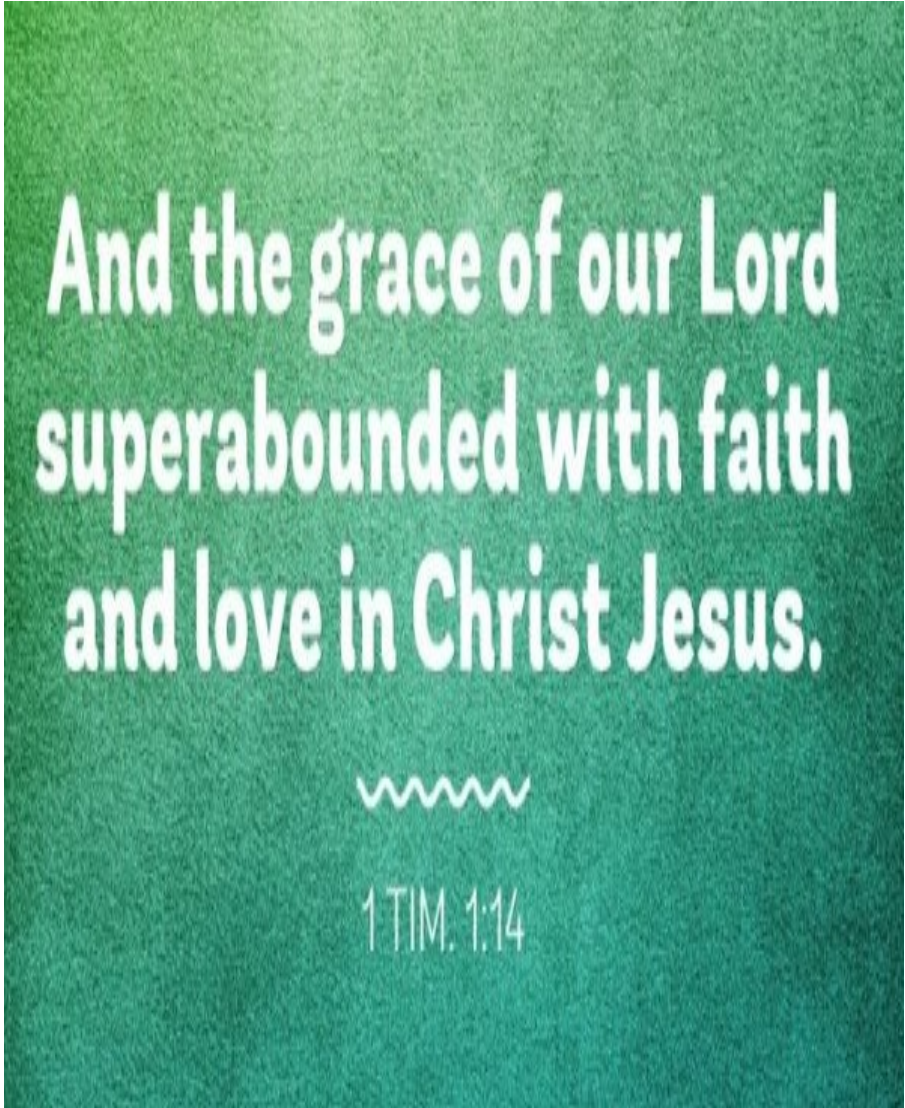
Member Goals

*As disciples of
our Lord, Jesus Christ,
we strive to grow in
faith through daily prayer
and bible reading,
attending worship
services, tithing,
and serving others.*

March 31, 2019

Worship Service

10:00 A.M.



And the grace of our Lord
superabounded with faith
and love in Christ Jesus.



1 TIM. 1:14



To Our Guests and Visitors

Thank you for joining with us! We're glad you are here.

* To find our nursery go to the Sunday School wing. The Nursery is just a few doors down this hallway.

* We have activity bags for youngsters to use during worship. The bags include soft toys and coloring books. Please help yourself to a bag. Be sure to return it after worship.

* We practice open communion. If you are baptized and desire to share in the body and blood of our Lord, please join us.

* We begin communing children in the 5th grade. We offer a communion class to prepare 5th graders to receive this sacrament.

* If you would prefer grape juice instead of wine for communion, there is grape juice in the center of the tray of glasses.

* Following our worship service there is coffee and tea on the table in our café area. Please stay for some fellowship.

* Let us know how we can be of assistance to you!

WORSHIP SERVERS

Lay Coordinator:	Connie Gibbs
Ushers:	Connie & Terry Gibbs
Acolyte:	Annabelle Davis
Reader:	Kristen Blaise
Communion Assistants:	Ed Lattier, Jana Snyder and Max Lewis
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 31, 2019 — WELCOME!

It is a pleasure to worship together.
If you are a newcomer, if you have a prayer request, or both,
please fill out the yellow pew card located on the back of each pew.

PRELUDE

JAEYONG LEE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand

CONFESSION OF SIN

P: We are gathered together for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, +
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: In this season of reflecting on our sin and deep need for God's mercy and grace, let us
examine our hearts and minds and ask for pardon for all the ways in which we have
failed to be obedient to God's will for us.

(Silence for self-reflection and examination)

P: Holy God,

**C: You sent your Son, Jesus, into the world to save us from the power of sin, death,
and the devil. We confess that we have failed in many ways to follow him in our
lives. We have forsaken the poor and hungry, we have neglected the sick and sor-
rowful, and we have looked out for our own needs rather than the needs of others.
Forgive us, we pray, and restore us to a new and right relationship with you,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: We who were once dead in sin, following the course of this world rather than follow-
ing our Lord have been loved with the great love of Christ — even when we were
dead in sin, Christ granted us grace and new life in him. We have received the prom-
ise of God that we will be raised up with him and seated with him in the heavenly
places. Let us rejoice in the wondrous gift of forgiveness and mercy and share the
immeasurable riches of his grace and kindness with all the world. (Ephesians 2:1- 7)

C: Amen.

OPENING 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.

Come in sorrow and contrition,
wounded, impotent, and blind;
here the guilty, free remission,

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.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who saves us through faith, the love of the Father who gifts us with every good gift, and the communion of the Holy Spirit who fills with all wisdom, 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 us pray; Almighty God, grant that we, who for our evil deeds worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of your grace, may mercifully be relieved; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 12:1-6

You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. ²"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation." ³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵"Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. ⁶Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 32

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and did not conceal my guilt.

⁶**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**

⁷Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

**⁸You are my hiding place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

**⁹"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.**

**¹⁰Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."**

**¹¹Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.**

**¹²Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

SECOND READING: I CORINTHIANS 5:16-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ IF YOU ARE HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT

If you're happy and you know it
Clap your hands [clap, clap]
If you're happy and you know it
Clap your hands [clap, clap]

If you're happy and you know it
Then your life will surely show it
If you're happy and you know it
Clap your hands [clap, clap]

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please stand

LENTEN VERSE

Were you there when God
Raised him from the tomb?
Were you there when God
Raised him from the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble,
tremble, tremble.
Were you there when God
Raised him from the tomb?

GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-3, 11-32

P: The Gospel according to St. Luke the 15th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Please look up the Gospel reading in your Bible.

After the reading:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please Sit

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARK BRAATEN

Please Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

LBW 456

The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul he leadeth
And, where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
With thee, dear Lord, beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still;
Thy cross before to guide me.

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

A: 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:

A: 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.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Please Stand

THE OFFERTORY - THE DOXOLOGY
 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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 89 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 . . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:	

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ~ P. 89 LBW
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

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Please sit

DISTRIBUTION

*For those who prefer, the center circle of glasses contain grape juice.
Please return your cup in the basket on the aisle.*

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.**

COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ SOFTLY AND TENDERLY, JESUS IS CALLING

WOV 734

Softly and tenderly
Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me.

See, on the portals
he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

Refrain

*"Come home, come home!
You who are weary, come home."
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, "O sinner, come home!"*

Why should we tarry
when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?

Why should we linger
and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me? *Refrain*

Oh, for the wonderful love
he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned,
he has mercy and pardon,
pardon for you and for me. *Refrain*

COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ JESUS REMEMBER ME

WOV 740

Jesus, remember me
When you come into your kingdom
Jesus remember me
When you come into your kingdom

COMMUNION SONG #3 ~ IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

In remembrance of Me,
Eat this bread.
In remembrance of Me,
Drink this wine.
In remembrance of Me,
Pray for the time
When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of Me,
Heal the sick.
In remembrance of Me,
Feed the poor.
In remembrance of Me,
Open the door
And let your brother in,
Let him in.

Take, eat and be comforted;
Drink and remember too,
That this is My body and precious blood
Shed for you,
Shed for you.

In remembrance of Me,
Search for truth.

In remembrance of Me
Always love.

In remembrance of Me,
Don't look above,
But in your heart
Look for God

Do this in remembrance of Me.

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 ~ "GLORY TO GOD"

(Sung to the tune of "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee")

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth;

We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise;

Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Gracious God, you have fed us this holy meal of the bread of life and the cup of salvation. You have offered us forgiveness and mercy through the body and blood of Christ, and you have reconciled us to our heavenly Father. We give you thanks for these wondrous blessings, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

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 SONG ~ GO MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING

WOV721

Go, my children, with my blessing,
never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you,
you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever

Go, my children, with my blessing,
you are my own.

Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.

Here you learned how much I love you,
what I can cure.

Here you heard my dear Son's story,
here you touched him, saw his glory.

Go, my children, sins forgiven,
At peace and pure.

Go, my children, fed and nourished,
closer to me.

Grow in love and love by serving,
joyful and free.

Here my Spirit's power filled you,
here my tender comfort still you.

Go, my children, fed and nourished,
joyful and free.

I the Lord will bless and keep you,
and give you peace.

I the Lord will smile upon you,
and give you peace.

I the Lord will be your Father,
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.

Go, my children, I will keep you,
and give you peace.

DISMISSAL

P: The Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus name.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE ~ DR. JAEYONG LEE



MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Pray Daily



Read the Bible Regularly



Worship Weekly



Relate to Others for Spiritual Growth



Tithe (10%) of my Financial Resources



Serve in Ministry at and beyond our Congregation

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to worship! It is good to gather in the presence of our living Lord! A special welcome to guests and visitors. Please make yourselves at home and let us know how we may be of assistance. If you would, please fill out the yellow "Welcome to OSLC" pew card. The cards may be returned in the offering plate or in the church office.

Midweek Lenten Activities

We offer special Wednesday evening activities during the Lenten season. Here is our Wednesday schedule:

6:00 p.m. – Soup Supper – We share a simple meal of soup and salad. Please come for a time of fellowship and food. Also, please sign up to help with a supper!

6:30 p.m. – Congregational Prayer Time - Please mark this Lenten season by joining with others in prayer for our congregation.

7:00 p.m. – Lenten Worship - Our worship this year will be a bit different. We will begin with a Bible Study lead by Pastor Mark on the Gospel of John's account of the Passion and execution of Jesus. We will conclude with a simple Lenten service with confession of sin, prayers and liturgy.

Mockingbird Conference in Tyler

Each year Tyler hosts a Mockingbird Conference, which is a marvelous two day event of theology, worship and music. This year the conference will be Friday, April 5 through Saturday April 6. It will be downtown, at Christ Episcopal Church on Friday and at the Foundry on Saturday. The theme for this year is – The Future of Grace! (What a great theme for Lutherans!) For more details please go to www.mbirdtyler.com

Thursday Morning Bible Study

This Thursday, April 4—No study.

Thursday, April 11—We begin a new study of Joshua and Judges.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Burris at 303-668-6643 or cburris9031@gmail.com.

Sunday School Garden Planting

We are going to have a garden again this year and the Sunday school students are going to help plant it again this year. On Sunday, April 7 during the Sunday School hour, we will meet outside and plant the garden. Please wear clothes that you don't mind getting a bit dirty!

Primetimers

We are in the middle of Lent heading toward Easter and officially in spring. Our next get-together is on April 11, 2019 at 12 noon at OSLC. The luncheon is to be potluck with a designated menu of chicken, salad, and dessert. The program will be our own Glory Gopinath who will be telling us about her recent trip to her native India. Hostesses for the day will be Mary Thompson and Carol Lattier. **Please watch for changes, and/or additions to these plans.**

Mark your calendars. This is an excellent time to bring friends for some fantastic Christian fellowship. There is nothing to obligate you or no one to intimidate you, just great Christian friends to welcome you. Remember we are the “most caring Primetimers in the world”. Bring your favorite chicken, salad or dessert and come prepared for a most enjoyable and rewarding afternoon.

Large Bulletins

We print a number of large bulletins with larger print in them each week. If you prefer a large bulletin, be sure to let the usher know. If you notice that there are not enough and you wanted one, please call the office (903-561-1865) and let us know. We will be happy to print more of these if needed!

Confirmation

Our Confirmation class meets this Thursday evening at 6:30.

NALC Newsletter

The latest edition of the North American Lutheran Church’s newsletter is now available. There are paper copies available in the narthex. And a connection to the newsletter can be found on our church’s website and in our flocknotes.

Lenten Series – “Telling Their Stories

Last year during Lent Pastor Mark preached a sermon series entitled “Telling their Stories – Encounters With Jesus”. Sola Publishing House published the series as a booklet. We have copies of the booklet, they are \$8 each and for sale in the church office.

Prayer Chain (No Computer Required!)

If you would like to be a part of OSLC’s Prayer Chain, but don’t have a computer, we have a way to add you to those praying for your prayer requests. Call the church office and give us your name and preferred phone number and Joan Schneider has offered to call those via telephone with the prayer requests! **903-561-1865**. Leave a message if no one answered and we will call and confirm we have your request!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (MARCH 31—APRIL 7, 2019)

THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS: MON: 12:00—2:00, TUES & WED: 10:00—2:00P.M.
 IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865

SUNDAY—March 24, 2019

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Adult Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
 Choir Practice 9:15 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
 Youth 11:15 a.m.

THURSDAY

AA Meeting 12:00 p.m.
 CODA 6:00 p.m.
 ACA 6:00 p.m.

MONDAY

No Activities Planned

FRIDAY

Mockingbird Conference

TUESDAY

Quilters 9:00 a.m.
 Social Ministry 11:30 p.m.
 AA Meeting 12:00 p.m.

SATURDAY

Mockingbird Conference
 AA Meeting 12:00p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Soup & Salad 6:00 p.m.
 Prayer Time 6:30 p.m.
 Lent Service 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY. April 7, 2019

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
 Choir Practice 9:15 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:00a.m.
 Youth Meeting 11:15a.m.

STEWARDSHIP		MARCH 24, 2019 WORSHIP	
Monthly Budget	\$ 23,000	Worship Service	130
Prior March Offering	\$ 16,034	Year to Date Average	<u>128</u>
Donations on Sunday, March 24	2,006		
Other Offering	<u>933</u>		
Cumulative March Donations	<u>\$ 18,973</u>		
Year to Date Contributions	<u>\$ 63,981</u>		