Our Saviour's Lutheran Church 4900 Kinsey Drive, Tyler, Texas

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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

<u>Our Pastor</u> Rev. Dr. Mark Braaten

Parish Administrator Debbie Miller

<u>Financial Administrator</u> Carol Lattier

Organist & Keyboardist Jaeyong Lee

> <u>Council President</u> Bill Videtto

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. February 9, 2020 Worship Service 10:00 A.M.

He is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord His heart is steady; he will not be afraid, until he looks in triumph on his adversaries.



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 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 5^{th} grade. We offer a communion class to prepare 5^{th} 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 SERVERSLay Coordinator:Ryan GibbsUshers:Ryan Gibbs & Milo MilesAcolyte:Abby GibbsReader:Audrey CameronCommunion Assistants:Blaine Davis, Cheryl & Ken PontiousProjectionist:Toby Fite

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 9, 2020 ~ 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 a pew.

Prelude

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Please Stand</u>

OPENING HYMN ~SING TO THE KING

Sing to the King who is coming to reign Glory to Jesus the Lamb that was slain. Life and salvation His empire shall bring, And joy to the nations, when Jesus is King.

Come let us sing a song, A song declaring that we belong to Jesus; He's all we need. Lift up a heart of praise. Sing now with voices raised to Jesus; Sing to the King. For His returning we watch and we pray; We will be ready the dawn of that day. We'll join in singing with all the redeemed, 'Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King.

Come let us sing a song, A song declaring that we belong to Jesus; He's all we need. Lift up a heart of praise. Sing now with voices raised to Jesus; Sing to the King.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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. 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.

C: Amen.

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 ~ Sung

- 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE ~ ON EAGLE'S WINGS

WOV 779

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,	"And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Who abide in this shadow for life,	Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge,	Make you to shine like the sun,
My rock in whom I trust!"	And hold you in the palm of my hand."

Snares of the fowler will never capture you, And famine will bring you no fear; Under God's wings your refuge With faithfulness your shield. "And I will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of my hand." For to the angels God's given a command To guard you in all of your ways; Upon their hands they will bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. "And I will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of my hand."

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Stand watch over your family, O Lord, that we who depend entirely on your heavenly grace may always be protected in the mighty fortress of your love; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

<u>Please Sit</u>

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:3-9a

³"'Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?' Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers.⁴Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high.⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the Lord? ⁶"Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? ⁸Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. ⁹Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'"

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 112:1-9

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the Lord* and have great delight in | his commandments! ²Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;* the generation of the upright | will be blessed. ³Wealth and riches will be | in their house,* and their righteousness will | last forever. ⁴Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;* the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion. ⁵It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending* and to manage their af- | fairs with justice. ⁶For they will nev- | er be shaken;* the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance. ⁷They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;* their heart is right; they put their trust | in the Lord. ⁸Their heart is established and | will not shrink,* until they see their desire up- | on their enemies. ⁹They have given freely | to the poor,* and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their | head with honor.

SECOND READING: I CORINTHIANS 2:1-16

¹I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. ⁶Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him" - ¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand

the things freely given us by God. ¹³And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. ¹⁶"For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine Oh, this little light of mine I'm going to let it shine This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Please Stand

GOSPEL VERSE ~ THY WORD

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path. ...And a light unto my path.

GOSPEL ~ MATTHEW 5:13-20

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please Sit

SERMON ~ REV. MARK BRAATEN

Please Stand

Hymn Of The Day ~ Jesu, Jesu WOV 765

Chorus:

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, Show us how to serve The neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, Silently washes their feet, Master who pours out himself for them. *Chorus*

Neighbors are wealthy and poor, Varied in color and race, Neighbors are near-by and far away. Chorus

These are the ones we will serve, These are the ones we will love; All these are neighbors to us and you. *Chorus*

Kneel at the feet of our friends, Silently washing their feet: This is the way we will live with you. *Chorus*

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

Congregation sings refrain of "Lord, listen to your children praying." WOV 775

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Pastor Mark prays while Jaeyong plays refrain in background

Congregation repeats refrain

Pastor Mark prays while Jaeyong plays refrain in background **Congregation repeats refrain**

PEACE

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

<u>Please Sit</u>

OFFERING

<u>Please Stand</u>

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. 88, LBW

P: The Lord be with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: And also with you.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . (Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or session, concluding:)

We praise your name and join their unending praise:

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.

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.'

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, say-

ing, '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.'

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Christ has died.

Christ has 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: 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.

<u>Please Sit</u>

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 ~ SURELY THE PRESENCE/CHRIST BESIDE ME

- Surely the presence of the Lord Is in this place; I can feel His mighty power And His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; Surely the presence of the Lord Is in this place. Repeat verse
- Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me King of my heart;

- Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me Never to part
- Surely the presence of the Lord Is in this place; I can feel His mighty power And His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; Surely the presence of the Lord Is in this place.

COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ IN THE GARDEN

I come to the garden alone While the dew is still on the roses And the voice I hear falling on my ear The Son of God discloses

Refrain: And He walks with me And He talks with me And He tells me I am His own And the joy we share as we tarry there None other has ever known He speaks and the sound of His voice Is so sweet the birds hush their singing And the melody that He gave to me Within my heart is ringing *Refrain*

I'd stay in the garden with Him Tho' the night around me be falling But He bids me go thro' the voice of woe His voice to me is calling *Refrain*

COMMUNION SONG #3 ~ I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die I am God's love revealed I am broken that you might be healed

All who eat of this heavenly Bread All who drink this cup of the covenant You will live forever For I will raise you up

I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die I am God's love revealed I am broken that you might be healed (Continued on following page) No one who comes to Me shall ever hunger again, No one who believes shall ever thirst All that the Father draws shall come to Me And I will give them rest I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die I am God's love revealed I am broken that you might be healed

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 ev'ry 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: 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.

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 ~ OH, FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

LBW 559, V. 1,2,&4

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,

to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin; he sets the pris'ner free. His blood can make the foulest clean; his blood avails for me.

DISMISSAL

- A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Dr. Jaeyong Lee

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Direct Deposit

We thought this is good time to remind you that we have direct deposit for offerings. We work with a group called Vanco and the set up is simple. If you would like to set this up, please contact our financial secretary, Carol Lattier. She will work with you on this. Many of our members are using this already and find it most helpful. For those of you presently using the direct deposit, if you ever want to change the amount, please give Carol a call. She will take care of that for you. And finally, there is information about all of this in the narthex. Please do take a look

Thank you for your faithful giving!

Announcements Continued

Congregation-Wide Garage Sale this Spring – March 7

We are planning to do another congregation-wide garage sale this spring, on Saturday March 7. We are sharing this news with you early so you can start setting aside items to donate for the sale. As you do your winter leaning and find items you would like to move on, please donate them to the church and we will again have a huge garage sale. These have been most successful and fun in the past.

All proceeds from the sale will be used for our fund which provides financial support for our senior members and other members in need. Come share in the garage sale and also help to minister to our members!

New Folks Luncheon – Sunday, Feb. 16

We would like to have a luncheon for people who are new to our congregation on Sunday, Feb. 16, immediately after worship. We will get acquainted and introduce you to OSLC. If you are new to OSLC, please plan to attend!

Living Out Matthew 25

For our stewardship focus this winter we are "living out" Jesus' parable in Matthew 25:14-30. Last month we gave out various amounts of money. We are asking you to use the money for a month, and then return it with your profits, just like in the parable. Our hope is that you be creative and have some fun with this.

Stewardship

Stewardship is less about asking for money and more about asking people to follow Jesus. Stewardship is really another word for discipleship, as Christ is the center of all of this!

Adult Sunday School

Here is our upcoming schedule for our adult Sunday School class: *Today - we continue our study of the book of Ruth.

*When we finish our study of Ruth, we will follow with some "topical" classes. Each week we will look at some different topics in the faith. Please share your suggestions for topics we could explore. Right now, we have two – "Why do Lutherans Baptize Infants?" and "Where did the Bible come from – a look at how the Scriptures Developed".

Path Soup Drive

Each Sunday in February, we are collecting soup for PATH. Please bring cans of soup and place on the table in the Narthex.

Stop the Bleed!!!

STOP THE BLEED! The American College of Surgeons has trained over one million people world wide to stop bleeding in a severely injured person. This course empowers you to make a life and death difference when a bleeding emergency occurs. Sign up *NOW* by sending an email to <u>kpontious1494@gmail.com</u>. Course will be presented by CTMF ER staff Friday March 20 @ 1-2:30 pm at OSLC. No medical experience necessary. Go to Stopthebleed.org for more information. We need an attendance count by March 1 please.

PRIMETIMERS

The February meeting will be February 13th, 2020 at 12 noon at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. After getting our fill of delicious chili in January, the menu will be built around chicken. The chicken will be provided and attendees will bring the side dishes, like veggies, salads, and desserts.

Since it is so close to Valentine's Day, bring one valentine card. Sign your name but don't address it to anyone.

The speaker for February's meeting will be Mr. Tom Mullins who is President/CEO of both the Tyler Economic Development Council and the Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce. He has over 30 years of experience in regional and community economic development. In 2002, he was appointed to Governor Perry's Council on Science and Biotechnology Development. He has been a Certified Economic Developer since 1986 and holds a master's degree from the University of Minnesota in regional and community development.

Please RSVP to Mary Ferguson at <u>mkvjhf@aol.com</u> or 903-565-6607 by February 10th to let her know if you are planning to attend. This is important so that an adequate amount of chicken is ordered.

Mark your calendars and do bring friends for some fantastic Christian fellowship. Hosts to help set up for the meeting are Glory Gopinath, Larry & Pat Holm, Joseph Byers, and Jenny Videtto. 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".

Egyptian Coptic Worship – Saturday, Feb. 15

The Egyptian Coptic congregation will worship here on Saturday, Feb. 15 from 8:30 until about 2:00.

This Week's Calendar (February 9—February 16, 2020)

THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS: MON. 11:30-1:00, TUES. & WED. 10:00-2:00

IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865

SUNDAY—Feb. 9, 2020 Sunday School Adult Bible Study Choir Practice Worship Service Youth Return from	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	THURSDAY Bible Study Primetimers ACA Meeting CODA	10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Luther Hill		FRIDAY No Activities Scheduled	
MONDAY No Activities Scheduled		<u>SATURDAY</u> Egyptian Coptic Church Embroiderer's Guild	8:00 a.m 1:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.
<u>TUESDAY</u> Quilters	9:00 a.m.	SUNDAY—Feb. 16, 2020	9:00 a.m.
<u>WEDNESDAY</u> No Activities Scheduled		Sunday School Adult Bible Study Choir Practice Worship Service Youth	9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP		FEBRUARY 2, 2020 WORSHIP	
Monthly Budget	Pending		
Prior Offering for January	<u>\$ 23,219</u>	Worship Service	136
Offerings during the week Offerings on Sunday, February 2	-0- <u>\$ 6,997</u>	Year to Date Average	131
Cumulative February Offerings	<u>\$ 6,997</u>		
Year to Date Offerings	<u>\$ 30,216</u>		