## **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" March 14, 2021 Worship Service 9:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

#### Church Slogan

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

#### **Our Ministers**

The people

#### **Our Pastor**

Rev. Stephen (Wally) Seibel

#### **Parish Administrator**

Debbie Miller

#### **Financial Administrator**

Carol Lattier

#### **Organist & Keyboardist**

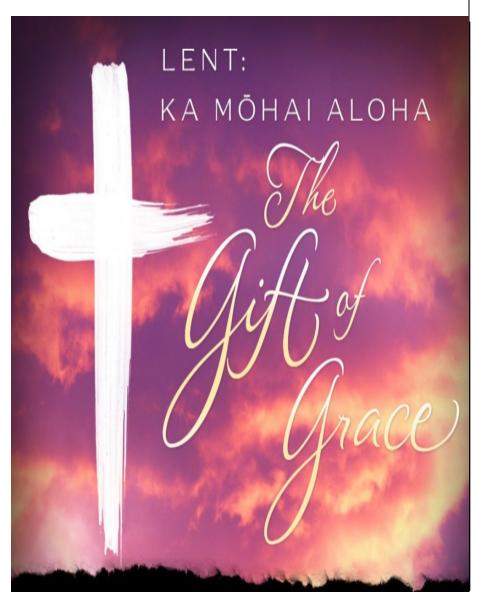
Jaeyong Lee

#### **Council President**

Chris Burris

#### **Member Goals**

As disciples of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we strive to grow in faith through daily prayer, regular Bible reading, weekly worship, tithing, and serving others.





#### TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS

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

- \* Because of COVID-19, we are not providing child care during today's service. Please have your family sit together.
- \* We practice open communion. If you are baptized and desire to share in the body and blood of our Lord, please join us. Our communion today is different than usual so that we can be in compliance with proper "social distancing."
- \* We begin communing children in the  $5^{\text{th}}$  grade. We will offer a communion class to prepare  $5^{\text{th}}$  graders to receive this sacrament once we are able to offer in person classes again.
- \* Let us know if we can be of assistance to you! If so, please let one of our ushers know.

#### **WORSHIP SERVERS**

## 9:00 A.M. Worship

Ushers: Bob & Launa Tardiff
Reader: Becky Chambers
Music Leader: Sherry Towns
Projectionist: Toby Fite

## 10:30 A.M. Worship

Usher: Max Lewis
Reader: Karin Davis
Music Leader: Sherry Towns

Projectionist: Toby Fite

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 14, 2021 ~ WELCOME

It is a joy to worship together.

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Please Stand

## OPENING HYMN ~ LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us
Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth

You came from heaven to earth

To show the way

To show the way

From the earth to the cross From the earth to the cross

My debt to pay My debt to pay

From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

## **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**

## (SPOKEN AT THE 9:00 SERVICE; SUNG AT THE 10:30 SERVICE)

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 ~ GLORY TO GOD**

LBW P.79, 80

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

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.

Please Sit

## FIRST READING: NUMBERS 21:4-9

<sup>4</sup>From 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. <sup>5</sup>And 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." <sup>6</sup>Then the Lord sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. <sup>7</sup>And 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. <sup>8</sup>And 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." <sup>9</sup>So 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: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 107:1-9** 

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures forever.

## <sup>2</sup>Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

<sup>3</sup>He gathered them out of the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>4</sup>Some wandered in desert wastes;

they found no way to a city where they might dwell.

<sup>5</sup>They were hungry and thirsty; their spirits languished within them.

<sup>6</sup>Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

<sup>7</sup>He put their feet on a straight path to go to a city where they might dwell.

<sup>8</sup>Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy and the wonders he does for his children.

<sup>9</sup>For he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

## **SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 2:1-10**

¹You 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 — ⁵and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁵so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ³For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ³not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹oFor we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## CHILDREN'S SONG ~ RISE AND SHINE

Rise and shine

And give God the glory, glory
Rise and shine

And give God the glory, glory
Rise and shine

And give God the glory, glory
Children of the Lord

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

#### Please Stand

#### **LENTEN VERSE ~ WERE YOU THERE**

LBW 92, verse 4 (only)

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 ~ JOHN 3:14-21**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

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

## SONG BEFORE THE SERMON ~ O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU

LBW 492, vs. 1-2

O Master, let me walk with you In lowly paths of service true; Tell me your secret; help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care. Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear, winning word of love; Teach me the wayward feet to stay, And guide them in the homeward way.

## SERMON ~ REV. STEPHEN (WALLY) SEIBEL

#### Please Stand

## SONG OF THE DAY ~ O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU

LBW 492, vs. 3-4

Teach me your patience; share with me A closer, dearer company, In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs over wrong,

In hope that sends a shining ray Far down the future's broad'ning way, In peace that only you can give; With you, O Master, let me live.

#### **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 prays while Jaeyong plays refrain in background **Congregation repeats refrain** 

Pastor prays while Jaeyong plays refrain in background Congregation repeats refrain

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

LBW p. 89

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 . . . (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, 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.'

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.

Please Sit

#### **LAMB OF GOD**

LBW p. 92

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.

#### **DISTRIBUTION**

## COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

**WOV 710** 

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; One cup of blessing which we bless, And we, though many, Throughout the Earth, We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, Woman or man, no more... One bread, one body, one Lord of all; One cup of blessing which we bless, And we, though many, Throughout the Earth, We are one body in this one Lord. Many the gifts, many the works,
One in the Lord...of all...
One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
One cup of blessing which we bless,
And we, though many,
Throughout the Earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, Gathered to one for all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;

One cup of blessing which we bless,

And we, though many,

Throughout the Earth,

We are one body in this one Lord.

## COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ TAKE MY LIFE, THAT I MAY BE

**LBW 406** 

Take my life, that I may be Consecrated, Lord, to thee; Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing Always, only, for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from thee. Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect, and use Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it thine; It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

#### **COMMUNION SONG #3 ~ WE ARE CALLED**

Come, live in the light,
Shine with joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called
To be light for the kingdom,
To live in the freedom
Of the city of God.

## Chorus:

We are called to act with justice; We are called to love tenderly. We are called to serve one another, To walk humbly with God.

Come, open your heart!
Show your mercy to
All those in fear!
We are called
To be hope for the hopeless,

So hatred and violence Will be no more.

Chorus

Sing, sing a new song!
Sing of that great day
When all will be one
God will reign,
And we'll walk with each other
As sisters and brothers
United in love.

Chorus

## Ending:

We'll walk humbly with God. We'll walk humbly with God. We'll walk humbly... Humbly...

#### **POST 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 BE TO GOD IN HEAVEN

(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: 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 ~ WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

LBW 482

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a tribute far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

#### **DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

DR. JAEYONG LEE

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Acolytes Training**

We are glad to announce that we will be offering acolyte training today, after the late worship service (approximately 11:45). We invite all youth who are interested in helping the congregation in their worship through this ministry. Often this is a ministry provided by those in the 5th grade through high school, but it is open to anyone who is interested.

## **Easter Egg Hunt**

We are handing out empty plastic Easter Eggs to be filled with wrapped candy. We are in the Narthex. Please stop by and take some to fill as a way to help us with the Easter Egg Hunt. We request you return filled eggs by April 28<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday. There are also sign-up sheets in the Narthex for anyone who is willing to run one of the games and/or help decorate. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held 10:00 am Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **Wednesday Worship During Lent**

Our Wednesday worship is on the Biblical Basis of the Liturgy. The Liturgy of the Lutheran book of Worship comes from and is based on various parts of Scripture. During Lent this year, we will be examining various parts of our Liturgy, and looking at the biblical roots of the Liturgy. If you want to get the most out of this guide, I suggest you set aside a short period of time each day and examine a small section of the liturgy, using the material which will be provided.

## **Call Committee Update**

The call committee has sent the completed Congregation Profile to the NALC and our congregation will be added to the Call Process Vacancy list on the NALC website. The profile will also be sent to all pastors available for call in the NALC. Thank you to everyone who completed the congregational survey as this was a very important part of our Congregational Profile.

## **Come Have Coffee with Pastor Wally**

We will again be able to get together for Coffee and Conversation. There is enough room for us to meet (masked and socially distanced) and keep warm. Due to weather, we have had to move inside in the previous weeks. Pastor Wally will be there from 1:30—3:00 on Wednesdays.

## <u>Facebook</u>

If You Are On Facebook..."friend" Pastor Wally (Stephen Seibel on FB).

## **BYOB**

BYOB – Bring your own Bibles on Sundays to read the Gospel reading.

## **Next Week's Readings:**

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 119:9-16; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR (MARCH 14—MARCH 21, 2021)

This Week's Office Hours: Varies due to COVID-19.

IF YOU HAVE A NEED, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE @ 903-561-1865 AND IF NO ONE ANSWERS,

LEAVE A MESSAGE AND YOUR CALL WILL BE RETURNED.

<b>SUNDAY—March 14, 2021</b>		<u>THURSDAY</u>	
Early Worship Service	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:45 a.m.	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Late Worship Service	10:30 a.m.		
Acolytes Training	11:45 a.m.		
MONDAY		FRIDAY	
No Activities Scheduled		ACA Meeting	6:00 p.m.
TUESDAY		<u>SATURDAY</u>	
Quilters	9:00 a.m.	Embroiderer's Guild	9:00-3:00
WEDNESDAY		SUNDAY—March 21, 2021	
Afternoon Coffee and Con-	1:30-3:00	Early Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
versation with Pastor Wally		Children's Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Lent Worship Service	7:00 p.m.	Late Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
•	•	Acolytes Training	11:45 a.m.



Remember to Pick-Up Your Easter Eggs

STEWARDSHIP		MARCH 7, 2021	
Monthly Budget	<u>\$ 19,900</u>	Attendance March 7 Early Service: 28	
Total February Offering	<u>\$ 13,116</u>	Late Service: 58	86
Offerings on Sunday, March 7 Offerings during the week	4,188 <u>2,747</u>	Average Attendance 2021	76
Total March Offerings	<u>\$ 6,935</u>		
Year to Date Offerings	<u>\$ 50,036</u>		