

# 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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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS (YEAR A)

JANUARY 1, 2023 • 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.

Please contact us if we can be of help in any way.

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**Prelude** - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

### Welcome to Our Saviour's

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. Guests, so that we may all celebrate your presence and give thanks to God for you, please fill out the yellow card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate later in the service. May the love of Christ comfort you, and the love of His people encourage you!
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion. We begin communing children in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and offer a class to prepare them to receive this Sacrament.

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“OH, COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL” (LBW #45) Vs 1-3

Oh, come, all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant!

Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem;  
come and behold him  
born the king of angels:

Refrain:

*Oh, come, let us adore him,  
oh, come, let us adore him,  
oh, come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord!*

The highest, most holy,

Light of light eternal,

born of a virgin, a mortal he comes;

Son of the Father

now in flesh appearing! *Refrain*

Sing, choirs of angels,

sing in exultation,

sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!

Glory to God

in the highest: *Refrain*

## 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. 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: From the one who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty: grace, light, and peace 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: Almighty God, you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature and be born of the Virgin Mary. Grant that we, having been redeemed and made your children by grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *(Book of Common Prayer, 1549)*

**C: Amen**

*Please be seated*

### The Service Of The Word

#### FIRST READING ~ ISAIAH 63:7-14

R: <sup>7</sup>I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD, the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his compassion, according to the abundance of his steadfast love. <sup>8</sup>For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely." And he became their Savior. <sup>9</sup>In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old. <sup>10</sup>But they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit; therefore he turned to be their enemy, and himself fought against them. <sup>11</sup>Then he remembered the days of old, of Moses and his people. Where is he who brought them up out of the sea with the shepherds of his flock? Where is he who put in the midst of them his Holy Spirit, <sup>12</sup>who caused his glorious arm to go at the right hand of Moses who divided the waters before them to make for himself an everlasting name, <sup>13</sup>who led them through the depths? Like a horse in the desert, they did not stumble. <sup>14</sup>Like livestock that go down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD gave them rest. So you led your people, to make for yourself a glorious name.

R: This is the Word of the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 111

R: <sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

C: <sup>2</sup>**Great are the deeds of the LORD! they are studied by all who delight in them.**

R: <sup>3</sup>His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures forever.

C: <sup>4</sup>**He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**

R: <sup>5</sup>He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

C: <sup>6</sup>**He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

R: <sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.

C: <sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.**

R: <sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant forever; holy and awesome is his Name.

C: <sup>10</sup>**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures forever.**

SECOND READING ~ GALATIANS 4:4-7

R: <sup>4</sup>When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

R: This is the Word of the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP"

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning	Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray	Sing hosanna to the King of Kings
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning	Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Keep me burning 'til the break of day	Sing hosanna to the King of Kings

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

**GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ "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.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the Second Chapter.

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

Matthew 2:13-23

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

**SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE**

**"Living Between How It Is and How It Ought to Be"**

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY ~ "FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH" (LBW #561) Vs 1,3-5**

For the beauty of the earth,  
for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of ear and eye,  
for the heart and mind's delight,  
for the mystic harmony  
linking sense to sound and sight:  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above;  
for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For yourself, best gift divine  
to the world so freely giv'n;  
agent of God's grand design,  
peace on earth and joy in heav'n:  
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.



## 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 OF THE CHURCH

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:*

P: 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**

*Please be seated*

### OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

#### THE DOXOLOGY ~ "I OFFER MY LIFE"

All that I am, all that I have  
I lay them down before You,  
O Lord; All of my hopes,  
all of my plans, my heart and my  
hands are lifted to You.

Chorus:

*Lord, I offer my life to You,  
everything I've been through,  
use it for Your glory,  
Lord, I offer my days to You,  
lifting my praise to You*

*as a pleasing sacrifice,  
Lord, I offer You my life.*

What can we give  
that You have not given;  
And what do we have  
that is not already Yours?  
All we possess  
are these lives we're living,  
and that's what we give  
to You, Lord.

*Chorus*

## POST OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, 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

### THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

**C: And also with you.**

We come to the table at the gracious invitation of the Lord, receiving the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. It is Christ who invites us to meet Him here. Adults and children not receiving communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

### 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 right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteousness. 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.**

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: 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.'

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:

"THERE'S A NEW STAR SHINING TONIGHT" (SOLO BY CARMEN NAZARIO)

"GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE" (LBW #55)

"GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN" (LBW #70)

"ANCIENT WORDS"

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

### 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 every 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**

**BENEDICTION ~P. 95 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**

**CLOSING HYMN**

*"THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD" (LBW #554)*

This is my Father's world,  
And to my list'ning ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world;  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;  
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world;  
The birds their carols raise;  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their maker's praise.

This is my Father's world;  
He shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;  
He speaks to me ev'rywhere.

This is my Father's world;  
Oh, let me not forget  
That, though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's world;  
Why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring;  
God reigns, let the earth be glad!

## DISMISSAL

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

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Thank You, from Carmen

I want to say thank you to Jenny Videtto, Tammy Noecker, Jana Coke, Michelle Hollenbeck, and Tammy Carpenter for the giving of your time and talents, which helped to make the Sunday School Christmas Party a complete success!

### "Second Corinthians: Finding Strength in Weakness."

This class is open to all ages. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall starting on Sunday, January 8th, at 9:00 a.m.

Discover how Paul learned to depend on God's grace. Second Corinthians encourages believers to embrace and follow the way of Jesus. This path of discipleship transforms lives and values generosity, humility, and weakness.

### Prime Timers

Prime Timers will be meeting Thursday, January 12th at 11:30 a.m. The plan is to have a Chili Cook Off with all the "fixins". So, bring your favorite chili recipe. And for those that prefer not to cook, we need a few people to bring some condiments such as corn bread, perhaps some chopped onions, jalapenos, sour cream or some shredded cheese. And a few people could bring some desserts to top our meal off.

And after much debate about who has the best chili we will have a game of Andy Griffith Trivia pursuit. You have a generous two weeks to brush up on Andy and Barney. Please come and bring a friend.

### Annual Congregational Meeting

We will be holding our annual meeting immediately following our church service on Sunday, January 22nd.

### Upcoming Activities at OSLC (Jan. 2nd-8th)

Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 a.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #1	
Sunday:	Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Confirmation Class	4:30 p.m.

### Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Sarah Cumming
Acolyte:	Ean Hollenbeck
Ushers:	Joe Coke & Ryan Gibbs
Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Mary Ferguson
Communion Assistant:	Sylvia Miller, Alan & Charles Cumming
Projectionist:	Chris Burris

### Stewardship

### December 25, 2022

Average Monthly Expenses:	\$ 23,740	Attendance Last Week	195
Previous December Offerings:	\$ 16,162	2022 Average Attendance	102
Offerings on December 25th:	\$ 3,998		
Other Weekly Offerings:	<u>\$ 16,141</u>		
Total Weekly Offerings:	\$ 20,139		
Total Offerings for December:	\$ 36,301		
Total Offerings for 2022:	\$ 302,736		