

# 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!*

## **Our Pastor**

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Michelangelo's "Unfinished Slaves" leading to his 17 ft. high "David"  
Gallery of the Academy of Florence, Italy

There is no justification without sanctification, no forgiveness without renewal of life, no real faith from which the fruits of new obedience do not grow. -Martin Luther

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (A)  
JULY 23, 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.

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### **Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee**

*Please use this time for silent meditation to prepare your heart for worship*

### **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.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~**

**"AS MAN AND WOMAN WE WERE MADE" (WOV 751) Vs. 2&4**

Now Jesus lived and gave his love to  
make our life and loving new;  
so celebrate with him today and drink  
the joy he offers you,  
that makes the simple moment shine  
and changes water into wine.

Then spread the table, clear the hall,  
and celebrate 'till day is done;  
let peace go deep between us all and  
joy be shared by ev'ry one;  
laugh and make mercy with your  
friends, and praise the love that never  
ends.

### **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**

### 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 God of mercy, when this world seems overrun by the evil that surrounds us, remind us that your Son, Jesus, has conquered evil and death and triumphed over all. Help us to confront the evil that can reside within us and turn it over to your transformative grace and mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. C **Amen**

*Please be seated*

### The Service Of The Word

#### FIRST READING - Isaiah 44: 6-8

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

#### PSALMODY - PSALM 119: 57-64

R <sup>57</sup>You only are my portion, O LORD; I have promised to keep your words.

C <sup>58</sup>**I entreat you with all my heart, be merciful to me according to your promise.**

R <sup>59</sup>I have considered my ways and turned my feet toward your decrees.

C <sup>60</sup>**I hasten and do not tarry to keep your commandments.**

R <sup>61</sup>Though the cords of the wicked entangle me, I do not forget your law.

C <sup>62</sup>**At midnight I will rise to give you thanks, because of your righteous judgments.**

R <sup>63</sup>I am a companion of all who fear you and of those who keep your commandments.

C <sup>64</sup>**The earth, O LORD, is full of your love; instruct me in your statutes.**

#### SECOND READING - ROMANS 8: 18-27

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

**CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"**

I have decided to follow Jesus!	Tho' none go with me, still I will follow!
I have decided to follow Jesus!	Tho' none go with me, still I will follow!
I have decided to follow Jesus!	Tho' none go with me, still I will follow!
No turning back.	No turning back.
No turning back.	No turning back.

**FEEDING OUR LITTLE LAMBS**

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**

<sup>P</sup> The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 13th Chapter. <sup>C</sup> **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Matthew 13: 24-30

<sup>P</sup> The Gospel of the Lord. <sup>C</sup> **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

**SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE**

**"Present Groaning and Future Glory"**

- 1) *the whole creation groans (Romans 8:19-22)*
- 2) *the Christian groans (Romans 8:23-25)*
- 3) *the Spirit Himself groans (Romans 8:26-27)*

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

Hymn Of The Day ~ "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (Vs. 1, 2 & 4)

Breathe on me, breath of God;	Until my will is one with Thine,
Fill me with life anew,	To do and to endure.
That I may love what Thou dost love,	Breathe on me, Breath of God;
And do what Thou wouldst do.	So shall I never die,
Breathe on me, breath of God,	But live with Thee the perfect life
Until my heart is pure,	of Thine eternity.

## THE 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 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 & OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

### POST OFFERTORY HYMN ~ "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 vocations, our time, 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 right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of ever-lasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### SANCTUS

**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** 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:

#### "THE HEART OF WORSHIP"

When the music fades, All is stripped away, *You're looking into my heart.*  
And I simply come; *I'm coming back to the heart of worship,*  
Longing just to bring Something *And it's all about You, All about You, Jesus.*  
that's of worth *I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it,*  
That will bless your heart. *When it's all about You, All about You, Jesus.*

#### Chorus:

*I'll bring you more than a song,  
For a song in itself  
Is not what You have required.  
You search much deeper within  
Though the way things appear;*

King of endless worth,  
No one could express  
How much You deserve.  
Though I'm weak and poor,  
All I have is Your, Ev'ry single breath..  
*Chorus*

#### "COME TO THE WATERS" Vs 1 - 3

Come to the waters, whoever is thirsty; drink from the Fountain that never runs dry.  
Jesus, the Living One, offers you mercy, life more abundant in boundless supply.

Come to the River that flows through the city, forth from the throne of the Father and Son.  
Jesus the Savior says, "Come and drink deeply." Drink from the pure, inexhaustible One.

Come to the Savior, the God of salvation. God has provided an end to sin's strife.  
Why will you suffer the Law's condemnation? Take the free gift of the water of life.

#### "BECAUSE HE LIVES"

God sent His Son, They called Him Jesus;  
He came to love, heal and forgive.  
He bled and died to buy my pardon;  
An empty grave is there  
to prove my Savior lives.

#### Chorus:

*Because He lives I can face tomorrow.  
Because He lives, all fear is gone.  
Because I know, I know, he holds the future,  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives.*



How sweet to hold our newborn baby,      And then one day, I'll cross that river;  
And feel the pride and joy he gives;      I'll fight life's final war with pain.  
But greater still the calm assurance;      And then, as death gives way to vict'ry,  
This child can face uncertain days      I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know  
    Because Christ lives.      He reigns.

*Chorus*

*Chorus*

*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 Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through 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 ~ "WE ALL ARE ONE IN MISSION" (WOV #755) Vs. 1&3

We all are one in mission;  
we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united  
    by Christ the lord of all.  
A single great commission  
    compels us from above  
to plan and work together  
    that all may know Christ's love.

Now let us be united  
    and let our song be heard.  
Nor let us be a vessel  
    for God's redeeming Word.  
We all are one in mission;  
we all are one in call,  
our varied gifts united by Christ,  
the Lord of all.

## DISMISSAL

<sup>P</sup> Go in peace. Serve the Lord.      <sup>C</sup> Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Save the Dates

5th Sunday Potluck: July 30th - A red, white and blue theme is suggested, but you are free to bring whatever means "Summer Potluck" to you!

NALC Lutheran Week: August 7-11 (Oklahoma City) - Volunteers are needed. If you can serve, please contact Becky Chambers 704-574-2911

Sunday School starts back on September 10th.

OSLC Oktoberfest: Has been changed to October 21st - Woo-hoo! Getting closer!

#### Bible Study Returns

Thursday Morning Bible Study will return at 10 a.m. on August 10th with a study of the Book of Luke. If you would like to be a part, please contact Chris Burris, 303-668-6643 or cburris9031@gmail.com.

#### Thank You!

Theresa Ford would like to thank everyone that came to support her on her 80th birthday! She would like to give a special thank you to Tammy Noecker for the beautiful roses and corsage. Her birthday cake was so beautiful and delicious. Thank you to all who stayed after church to make her day so special.

Amanda Taylor and her family had a wonderful time on their mission trip to Costa Rica. Many lives received Jesus as their Lord and Savior. "Thank you to everyone that helped support us financially and prayed for us! It was truly a blessing to have this experience, and one we will never forget."

### Upcoming Activities at OSLC (July 24th- 30th)

Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 a.m.
Thursday:	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #5	
Sunday:	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Summer Pot Luck	11:30 a.m.

### Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Gloria Bielfeldt
Acolyte:	Max Bothner
Ushers:	Max Lewis, John Minster
Reader:	Kristin Blaise
Communion Assistants:	Linda Webster, Carol Lattier, Carmen Nazario
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

### Stewardship

Average Monthly Expenses:	\$	25,245
Previous July Offerings:	\$	13,070
Offerings on July 16th:	\$	2,047
Other Weekly Offerings:	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,030</u>
Total Weekly Offerings:	\$	3,077
Total July Offerings to Date:	\$	16,147
2023 Offering to Date:	\$	167,974

### Attendance

Sunday, July 16, 2023:	101
2023 Average Attendance:	108

