

# 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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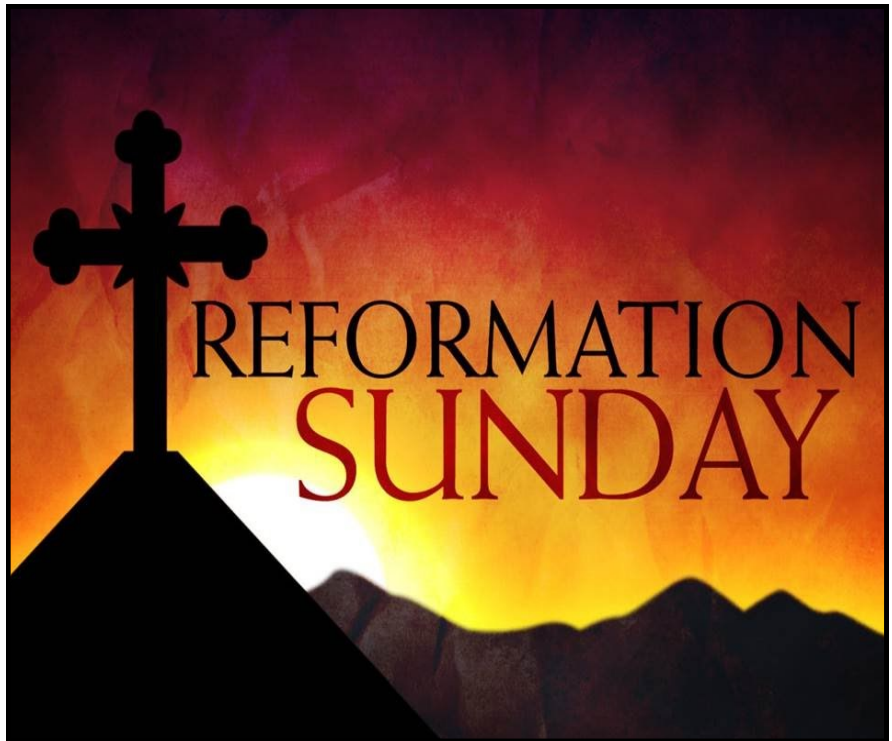
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"The Reformation was a time when men went blind staggering drunk because they had discovered, in the dusty basement of late medievalism, a whole cellar full of fifteen-hundred-year-old, two-hundred proof Grace—bottle after bottle of pure distillate of Scripture, one sip of which would convince anyone that God saves us single-handedly. The word of the Gospel—after all those centuries of trying to lift yourself into heaven by worrying about the perfection of your bootstraps—suddenly turned out to be a flat announcement that the saved were home before they started."

- Robert Farrar Capon



## 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

## Welcome and Family News

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. Guests, 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)*

## GATHERING

**ENTRANCE HYMN** ~ "A MIGHTY FORTRESS" (LBW #229) Vs. 1,2,& 4

A mighty fortress is our God,  
a sword and shield victorious;  
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod  
and wins salvation glorious.

The old satanic foe,  
has sworn to work us woe,  
with craft and dreadful might  
he arms himself to fight.  
On earth he has no equal.

No strength of ours can match his might!  
We would be lost, rejected.  
But now a champion comes to fight,  
whom God himself elected.  
You ask who this may be?

The Lord of hosts is he!  
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,  
God's only Son, adored.  
He holds the field victorious.

God's Word forever shall abide,  
no thanks to foes, who fear it;  
for God himself fights by our side  
with weapons of the Spirit.  
Were they to take our house,  
goods, honor, child, or spouse,  
though life be wrenched away,  
they cannot win the day.  
The kingdom's ours forever!

## 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.**

## 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**

## 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**

## HYMN OF PRAISE ~ "THIS IS THE FEAST" (LBW #81)

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.	Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.	Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His.	This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.	Alleluia. Alleluia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

<sup>P</sup> The Lord be with you.    <sup>C</sup> **And also with you.**

<sup>P</sup> O Lord God, heavenly Father, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your grace and truth, protect and comfort them in all temptation, defend them against all enemies of your Word, and bestow upon the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (Saxony, Duke Henry)    <sup>C</sup> **Amen**

*Please be seated*

## WORD

**FIRST READING:** Revelation 14:6-7

<sup>R</sup> This is the Word of the Lord!    <sup>C</sup> **Thanks be to God!**

## PSALM 46:1-6, 9-12

<sup>R</sup> <sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

<sup>C</sup> <sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;**

<sup>R</sup> <sup>3</sup>Though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

<sup>C</sup> <sup>4</sup>**The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

<sup>R</sup> <sup>5</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

<sup>C</sup> <sup>6</sup>**God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; God shall help her at the break of day....**

<sup>R</sup> <sup>9</sup>Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, what awesome things he has done on earth.

**C 10**It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

**R 11**“Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

**C 12**The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**SECOND READING: ROMANS 3:19-28**

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

**Feeding Our Little Lambs** (“This is the Day”)

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ~ “ALLELUIA, LORD” P. 83**

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to John, the 8th Chapter.    **C** Glory to you, O Lord.

**JOHN 8:31-36**

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.    **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please be seated*

**SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE**

**“An Eternal Gospel to Proclaim” (Revelation 14:6-7)**

“We can profit by this book and make good use of it. First, for *comfort*! We can rest assured that neither force nor lies, neither wisdom nor holiness, neither tribulation nor suffering shall suppress Christendom, but it will gain the victory and conquer at last. Second, for our *warning*, against the great, perilous, and manifold offense that inflicts itself upon Christendom... Therefore let there be offenses, divisions, heresies, and faults; let them do what they can! If only the word of the gospel remains pure among us, and we love and cherish it, we shall not doubt that Christ is with us, even when things are at their worst. As we see here in this book, that through and beyond all plagues, beasts and evil angels Christ is nonetheless with his saints, and wins the final victory.”

- Martin Luther, *Introduction to Revelation*,

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## HYMN OF THE DAY

“PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY” (LBW #543) Vs. 1,2,&4

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the  
King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your  
health and salvation!

Let all who hear now to his temple draw  
near, joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things is  
wondrously reigning and, as on wings of  
an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen  
all that is needful has been  
sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in  
me adore him!

All that has life and breath, come now  
with praises before him!

Let the amen sound from his people again.

## 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

<sup>P</sup> 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.***

<sup>P</sup> Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.    <sup>C</sup> **Amen**

## THE HOLY MEAL

### GREETING OF PEACE

<sup>P</sup> The peace of the Lord be with you always.    <sup>C</sup> **And also with you.**

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING AND OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

“GLORY TO GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS” (WOV #787) V. 1

Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise;  
Of heav’nly joy and earthly peace we sing.  
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,  
Lord God, almighty Father, heav’nly King.

<sup>P</sup> Let us pray. Merciful Father,

<sup>C</sup> **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, 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 GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 LBW

<sup>P</sup> The Lord be with you.

<sup>C</sup> **And also with you.**

<sup>P</sup> Lift up your hearts.

<sup>C</sup> **We lift them up to the Lord.**

<sup>P</sup> Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. <sup>C</sup> **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

<sup>P</sup> 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:

<sup>C</sup> **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.**

<sup>P</sup> Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, in great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

<sup>P</sup> 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.’

<sup>P</sup> Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

- <sup>P</sup> Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- <sup>P</sup> Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. <sup>C</sup> **Amen.**
- <sup>P</sup> Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- <sup>C</sup> **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**

**COMMUNION SONG #1 ~ "ONE BREAD, ONE BODY" (WOV #710)**

**COMMUNION SONG #2 ~ "YOU SATISFY THE HUNGRY HEART" (WOV #711) V. 1-3**

**COMMUNION SONG #3 ~ "BREATHE ON ME BREATH OF GOD"**

Breathe on me, breath of God;  
Fill me with life anew,  
That I may love all that you love  
And do what you would do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,  
Until my heart is pure,

Until with you I will one will  
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God;  
So shall I never die,  
But live with you the perfect life  
Of your eternity.

*Please stand (in body or in spirit)*

### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

- <sup>P</sup> The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. <sup>C</sup> **Amen**

**CANTICLE ~ "NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD" (LBW #534) V. 3**

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,  
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.



## PRAYER

<sup>P</sup> 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.   <sup>C</sup> **Amen**

**NEW MEMBER RECEPTION (SEE LAST PAGE)**

## SENDING

**BENEDICTION ~ P. 94 LBW**

<sup>P</sup> 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.   <sup>C</sup> **Amen**

**SENDING HYMN ~ “A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD” (LBW #229) Vs. 2&4**

No strength of ours can match his might!	God’s Word forever shall abide,
We would be lost, rejected.	no thanks to foes, who fear it;
But now a champion comes to fight,	for God himself fights by our side
whom God himself elected.	with weapons of the Spirit.
You ask who this may be?	Were they to take our house,
The Lord of hosts is he!	goods, honor, child, or spouse,
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,	though life be wrenched away,
God’s only Son, adored.	they cannot win the day.
He holds the field victorious.	

## DISMISSAL

<sup>P</sup> The Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus’ name.   <sup>C</sup> **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Parents Meeting Today

Everyone is invited to attend a Parents Meeting today right after church.

### **Samaritan's Purse – Shoeboxes**

It's Shoebox Time! Let's Share the True Meaning of Christmas. In the coming weeks, people across our nation will be packing gift filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child... Each shoebox that you fill with gifts represent an opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ..... Have questions? Go to: [samaritanpurse.org.occ](http://samaritanpurse.org.occ)

### **Special Congregational Meeting**

We will be meeting next Sunday, November 5, following the service. The Church Council has reviewed OSLC Constitution and Bylaws and recommends changes designed to clean up formatting and other issues such as: consistent references to the "Church" Council vs. "Congregation," Council clarifies that only the congregation can make decisions involving "real" property and the Church Council can make decisions involving "personal" property; places responsibility on the Pastor to determine new membership qualifications and reporting same to the Church Council (currently Council approval has to be obtained prior to acceptance causing delays in membership); allows meeting notice to include email (while continuing to allow regular mail notice by those requesting it); clarifies that the Church Council selects OSLC voting representative(s) at National Convocation; clarifies that the Church Council consists of the pastor, officers, and 5 to 7 other members of the congregation; and extends by one month the time allowed by the Audit Committee to report audit results to the Church Council. The proposed changes are posted in the Narthex.

### **Biographical Sketch for Peggy Jones**

My husband Stan and I recently moved to Tyler from San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, where we lived for 15 years after our retirement. Most of my adult life was spent in Wausau, Wisconsin where we operated a long term care campus... I was the Director of Nursing and Stan was the Owner/ Administrator. We are proud parents of 6 adult children (plus spouses) and 11 beautiful grandchildren, all living in WI so we visit there often. While in San Miguel, I was highly involved with volunteering for a faith based meal program for the elderly and did historical walking tours for an organization that provided healthcare for underprivileged children. We are grateful for how folks have welcomed us to Tyler and I have started helping at the Alzheimer's Alliance Day Club. I enjoy being outside, taking walks, traveling and helping my husband spoil our dog, Toby.

## Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:	Gloria Bielfeldt
Acolytes:	Charles & Caedmon Cumming
Ushers:	Jerry Redman & Terry Ball
Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Mary Ferguson
Communion Assistants:	Alan & Sarah Cumming, Sally Dengerud
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

### Upcoming Activities at OSLC (October 30th - November 5th)

Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 a.m.
	Spin Class	6:30 p.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #1	
Sunday:	<b>ALL SAINTS DAY</b>	
	Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
	Youth Class	9:15 a.m.
	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Congregational Meeting	11:30 a.m.

### Stewardship

**October 22, 2023**

Monthly Budget	\$ 25,245	Attendance Last Week	124
Prior October Offerings	\$ 26,709	2023 Average Attendance	106
Offerings on October 22nd	\$ 5,704		
Other Weekly Offerings	<u>\$ 1,453</u>		
Total Weekly Offerings	\$ 7,158		
Total October Offerings	\$ 33,866		
2023 Offerings to Date	\$256,972		

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## OSLC Reception of New Member – Peggy Jones

P: Peggy, by your baptism you were made one in the Body of Christ, the church. Today we rejoice in the journey of faith which has brought you to this time and place. We give thanks for every community of faith that has been your spiritual home, and we celebrate your presence in this Christian family. Through prayer and study, you have been led by the Holy Spirit to join with OSLC in service to Jesus Christ, using the gifts the Holy Spirit bestows. Weekly we profess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed. As a member of OSLC, will you be faithful to those ancient words?

Respond: **With God's help, I will.**

P: Do you intend to continue to grow in your spiritual life by hearing God's Word and sharing in His holy supper?

Respond: **With God's help, I will.**

P: Will you challenge us to live up to the things we say we believe?

Respond: **With God's help, I will.**

P: Do you promise to be of service to this congregation, as you are called as a beloved child of God and led by the Holy Spirit?

Respond: **With God's help, I will.**

P: *Let us pray.* We thank you, Lord, for this new member. By Your life-giving power, bind us together that we may live in the Spirit, building one another up in love, sharing in the life and worship of the church, and serving the world. We pray that You would continue to send your Holy Spirit to guide our church. We pray through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**

**Congregation's Response:**

**Peggy, we welcome you into the family of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, child of the same Heavenly Father, and a worker with us in God's kingdom.**

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"It is grace, nothing but grace, that we are allowed to live in community with Christian brethren."

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer (*Life Together*)