

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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"Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

-Matthew 25:13

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - Year A

November 12, 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

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 ~ “BEFORE YOU, LORD, WE BOW” (LBW #401) Vss. 1-3

Before You, Lord, we bow,
Our God who reigns above
And rules the world below,
Boundless in pow'r and love.
Our thanks we bring in joy and praise,
Our hearts we raise to You, our King!

The nation You have blest
May well Your love declare,
From foe and fears at rest,

Protected by Your care.
For this bright day, For this fair land
Gifts of Your hand our thanks we pay.

May ev'ry mountain height,
Each vale and forest green,
Shine in your Word's pure light,
And its rich fruits be seen!
May ev'ry tongue be tuned to praise
And join to raise a grateful song.

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 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**

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

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was
slain, whose blood set us free to be
people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and
strength and honor and blessing
and glory are His.

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:

Blessing and honor and glory and
might be to God and the Lamb
forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has
begun his reign.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

^P The Lord be with you. ^C **And also with you.**

^P God of light and life, through your most Holy Spirit, illumine our lives with
your grace so that we may be ready for the coming of your Son. Grant that we
may bear the light of your love to the world in need, that all may know of your
justice and mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. ^C **Amen**

Please be seated

WORD

FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24

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

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 70:1-5

^R ¹Make haste, O God, to deliver me! O Lord, make haste to help me!

^C ²**Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life! Let them be
turned back and brought to dishonor who delight in my hurt!**

^R ³Let them turn back because of their shame who say, "Aha, Aha!"

^C ⁴**May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you! May those who love your
salvation say evermore, "God is great!"**

^R ⁵But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God! You are my help and my
deliverer; O Lord, do not delay!

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

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

Feeding Our Little Lambs ("Jesus Loves Me")

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 St. Matthew, the 25th Chapter.

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

MATTHEW 25:1-13

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

"Watch therefore..."

"Faith is a living, busy, active, powerful thing; it is impossible for it not to do us good continually. It never asks whether good works are to be done, but has done them before there is time to ask the question, and is always doing them. Anyone who does not do good works in this manner is an unbeliever ... Ask God to work faith in you, or you will remain forever without faith, no matter what you wish, say or can do." (Martin Luther, *Introduction to Romans*)

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (LBW #315) Vss. 1,3&4

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, Almighty, to deliver;
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory,
'till in heav'n we take our place,
'till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and 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

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**

THE HOLY MEAL

GREETING OF PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C 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.

POST OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C 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 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 Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

^C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

^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

“ONE BREAD, ONE BODY” (WOV #710)

Chorus:

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...

Chorus

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,

Gathered to one for all.

Chorus

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,

Woman or man, no more...

Chorus

“SHOUT TO THE LORD”

My Jesus, my Savior,

Lord there is none like You.

All of my days I want to praise the
wonders of your mighty love.

Shout to the Lord! All the earth let us sing.

Power and majesty, Praise to the King!

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name!

My comfort, my shelter,

Tower of refuge and strength;

Let every breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship You!

I sing for joy at the work of your hands!

Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have
in you.

“WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR”

Wonderful merciful Savior

Precious Redeemer and Friend

Who would have thought that a Lamb

Could rescue the souls of men

Oh You rescue the souls of men

Chorus:

You are the One that we praise

You are the One we adore

You give the healing and grace

Our hearts always hunger for

Oh our hearts always hunger for

Counselor Comforter Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts
Have hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way
Chorus

Almighty infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh we're falling before Your throne
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**

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

^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**

SENDING

BENEDICTION ~ P. 94 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**

SENDING HYMN ~ "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNES" (WOV #771) Vs. 1

Great is thy faithfulness,
O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions,
they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!

Chorus:

Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;
Great is thy faithfulness,
Lord, unto me!

DISMISSAL

^P The Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus' name. ^C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Upcoming Activities at OSLC (November 13th - 19th)

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 #	
	Embroiderer's Guild	9:00 a.m.
Sunday:	Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
	Youth Class	9:15 a.m.
	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeters:	Tom & Joyce Lewis
Acolytes:	Penelope & Annabelle Davis
Ushers:	Ed & Connie Lucas
Cantor:	Blaine Davis
Reader:	Amy Norris
Communion Assistants:	Blaine & Karin Davis, Carmen Nazario
Projectionist:	Toby Fite

Stewardship

Monthly Budget	\$ 25,245
Offerings on November 5th	\$ 2,391
Other Weekly Offerings	<u>\$ 1,703</u>
Total Weekly Offerings	\$ 4,094
Total November Offerings	\$ 4,094
2023 Offerings to Date	\$264,872

November 5, 2023

Attendance Last Week	133
2023 Average Attendance	107

VETERANS DAY

Veterans Day was originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the end of World War I. The war officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919. However, the fighting ended about seven months before that when the Allies and Germany put into effect an armistice on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, Nov. 11, 1918, was largely considered the end of “the war to end all wars” and dubbed Armistice Day.

In 1926, Congress officially recognized it as the end of the war, and in 1938, it became an official holiday, primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I. But then World War II and the Korean War happened, so on June 1, 1954, Congress amended the commemoration yet again by changing the word “armistice” to “veterans” so the day would honor American veterans of all wars.

World War I was a multinational effort, so it makes sense that our allies also wanted to celebrate their veterans on Nov. 11. The name of the day and the types of commemorations differ, however. Canada and Australia both call Nov. 11 “Remembrance Day.” Canada’s observance is pretty similar to our own, except many of its citizens wear red poppy flowers to honor their war dead. In Australia, the day is more akin to our Memorial Day. Great Britain calls it “Remembrance Day,” too, but observes it on the Sunday closest to Nov. 11 with parades, services and two minutes of silence in London to honor those who lost their lives in war.

With gratitude and prayers for all our Veterans,
Pastor Martin Moore

