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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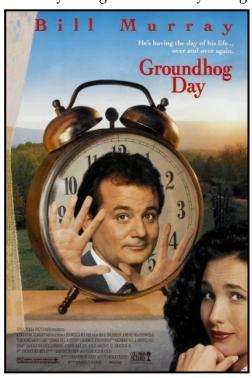
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Sanctification, if it is to be spoken of as something other than justification, is perhaps best defined as the art of getting used to the unconditional justification wrought by the grace of God for Jesus' sake. It is what happens when we are grasped by the fact that God alone justifies. It is being made holy, and as such, it is not our work. It is the work of the Spirit who is called Holy. The fact that it is not our work puts the old Adam/Eve (our old self) to death and calls forth a new being in Christ. It is being saved from the sickness unto death and being called to new life.

-Gerhard Forde

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B)

APRIL 28, 2024 • 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

- 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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!" (LBW #165)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee.

which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee.

though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,

only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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 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 ~ "WORTHY IS CHRIST" (LBW PGS. 81-82)

- This is the feast of victory for our God. Sing with all the people of God and 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.
- Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His.
- 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.
- This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: "See Insert" C: Amen

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ Acts 8:26-40

R: "See Insert" R: This is the Word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 150

SECOND READING ~ 1 JOHN 4:12-21

R: "See Insert" R: This is the Word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

Children's Song ~ "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Feeding our Little Lambs

Please stand

Gospel Canticle ~ "Alleluia, Lord" ~ (*P. 83 LBW*) Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

John 15:1-8

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

IT'S GONNA LAST YOU FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE:

SANCTIFICATION ACCORDING TO GROUNDHOG DAY

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ "HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE YOUR NAME" (LBW #535)

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you. All on earth your scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore you. Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

Hark! the glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!" Lo, the apostolic train join your sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow; and from morn to set of sun through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name you, though in essence only one; undivided God we claim you and, adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

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:

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

THE DOXOLOGY~ "GLORY TO GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS" (WOV #787) Vs. 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, 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.

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 everliving God. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for He is the true Passover Lamb, who gave himself to take away our sin, who by His death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, 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.

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 $\sim P.~92~LBW$

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 HYMNS:

"SPIRIT SONG"

Oh Let The Son Of God Enfold You
With His Spirit And His Love
Let Him Fill Your Heart And Satisfy Your Soul
Oh Let Him Have The Things That Hold You
And His Spirit Like A Dove
Will Descend Upon Your Life And Make You Whole.
Jesus, Oh Jesus, Come And Fill Your Lambs
Jesus, Oh Jesus, Come And Fill Your Lambs.

Oh Let His Word Come Now And Mold You As You Yield Your Heart To Him Give Yourself In Sweet Surrender To His Will Oh Look Each Day For His Appearing Let Not Your Eyes Of Faith Grow Dim For He's Coming Soon His Promise To Fulfill. Jesus, Oh Jesus, Come And Fill Your Lambs Jesus, Oh Jesus, Come And Fill Your Lambs.

"AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)"

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

Chorus:

My chains are gone, I've been set free! My God, my Savior, has ransomed me. And like a flood, His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me; His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

My chains are gone, I've been set free! My God, my Savior, has ransomed me. And like a flood, His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace. Chorus

"Breathe on Me Breath of God"

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew, That I may love what thou dost love, And do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure, Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine, Till all this earthly part of me Glows with thy fire divine.

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

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 ~ NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD (LBW #534) Vs. 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.

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**

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION (SEE LAST PAGE)

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, \(\mathbf{Y}\) Son, and Holy Spirit. \(\mathbf{C}\): Amen

CLOSING HYMN ~ "PRAISE THE LORD! O HEAVENS" (LBW #540)

Praise the Lord! O heav'ns, adore him; Praise the Lord, for he is gracious; Praise him, angels, in the height; Sun and moon, rejoice before him; Praise him, gleaming stars and light. Praise the Lord, for he has spoken; Worlds his mighty voice obeyed; Laws which never shall be broken For their guidance he has made.

Never shall his promise fail. God has made his saints victorious: Sin and death shall not prevail. Praise the God of our salvation: Hosts on high, his pow'r proclaim; Heav'n and earth, and all creation, Laud and magnify his name!

DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOOKING AHEAD

- Last day of Sunday School before the Summer Break is May 5th.
- Confirmation Sunday is scheduled for May 19th!

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH FOR MARYGRACE RAINE

I like to be called MaryGrace. I was born/raised in the US Air Force, moving every 18 months until I was 18. I live with & help care for my mother, Mona Poe. After 38.5 years as a Registered Nurse I retired after the Lord suggested & encouraged me to. I'm blessed to continue to use God's talents & skills that made me a good nurse in my retired life. In retirement, I've been blessed with TIME--especially more time with the Lord. Currently I'm participating in two Bible Studies...one by phone with my friend in North Carolina! I also keep busy with Reading, Embroidery, Crocheting, & Quilting, in addition to keeping up with friends and making new friends. I'm also starting to travel more; last year I had a wonderful time on a Cruise to Alaska! I look forward to becoming a productive member of the OSLC family, making new friends, and becoming involved in ministry.

Raine, MaryGrace

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Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter: Gloria Bielfeldt Acolyte: Max Bothner

Ushers: Bill Videtto & Preston Graham

Cantor: Blaine Davis Reader: Travis Snyder

Communion Assistant: Carmen Nazario, Becky Chambers, Sally Dengerud

Projectionist: Toby Fite

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (April 29th- May 5th)

Tuesday: Quilters 9:00 a.m.

Spin Class 6:30 p.m.

Thursday: Adult Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

CODA 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: Altar Guild Team #1

Sunday: Sunday School/Youth 9:15 a.m.

Choir 9:15 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Stewardship

Average Monthly Expenses: \$ 26,875

Last Week's Offerings: \$ 1,929

Total April Offerings to Date: \$ 26,017

Total Offerings to Date: \$ 99,047

2024 Offering Budget Thru April: \$107,500

Offerings Received Vs. Budget: \$ -8,453

April 21, 2024

Attendance Last Week 86

2024 Average Attendance 108

OSLC Reception of New Member - MaryGrace Raine

P: MaryGrace, 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:

MaryGrace, 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.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer (*Life Together*)

[&]quot;It is grace, nothing but grace, that we are allowed to live in community with Christian brethren."