

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.

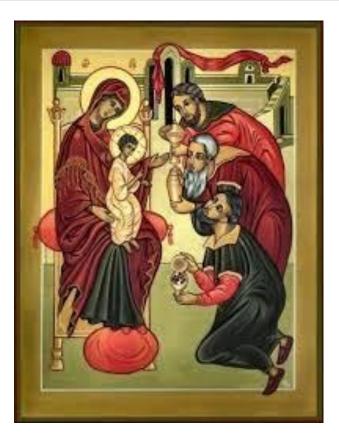
Come share the joy!

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Our Members, Guests and Visitors



We are all on a journey of faith; God does not expect us to make the journey alone. Our Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Office: 903-561-1865 • admin@oslctyler.org

Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

You may 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, please fill out the yellow Guest Connect Card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- If you have any prayer requests, needs, or concerns, please complete the blue card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.
- As no ordained pastor is present today, our worship will include distribution of those elements set apart earlier by Pastor Seibel. In this sense, the Lord's Body and Blood offered today is an extension of the celebration of the Sacrament of the Alter at that time.

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him." Psalm 96:9

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ "HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING" (*LBW* #60)

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled." Joyful, all you nations, rise; Join the triumph of the skies; With angelic hosts proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Chorus:

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!"

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, Late in time behold him come, Offspring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see! Hail, incarnate deity! Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel! *Chorus* Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, Ris'n with healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, Born that we no more may die, Born to raise each child of earth, Born to give us second birth. *Chorus*

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 A Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C Amen

APOSTOLIC 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 ~ "GLORY TO GOI	d in the Highest" (LBW pgs 79-80)	
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.	You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.	
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:	You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.	
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.	For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the	
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:	Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen	
^P The Lord be with you. ^C And also wit	h you.	
Prayer of the Day		
P "See Insert" C Amen Please be	seated	
The Service C	Of The Word	
First Reading	~ Isaiah 60:1-6	
^R "See Insert" R This is the Word of the I	Lord! C Thanks be to God!	
PSALMODY ~ PSALM	4 72 1-15 (CHANTED)	
Second Reading ~	EPHESIANS 3:1-12	
^R "See Insert" ^R This is the Word of the I	Lord! C Thanks be to God!	

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "I HAVE DECIDED TO FOLLOW JESUS"

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; No turning back, no turning back.

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. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

^P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 2nd Chapter. ^C Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 2:1-12

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ BLAINE DAVIS

JESUS, LORD OF THE NATIONS!

PLEASE STAND

Hymn Of The Day ~ "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" (LBW #90)

Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise, Manifested by the star To the sages from afar, Branch of royal David's stem In thy birth at Bethlehem: anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; And at Cana wedding guest In thy Godhead manifest; Manifest in pow'r divine, Changing water into wine; Anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest. Manifest in making whole Palsied limbs and fainting soul; Manifest in valiant fight, Quelling all the devil's might; Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill; Anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, Present in thy holy Word – Grace to imitate thee now And be pure, as pure art thou; That we might become like thee At thy great epiphany And may praise thee, ever blest, God in man made manifest.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

- For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
- He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
- We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
- With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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~ PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (*LBW* #564) Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, *****Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

^P The peace of the Lord be with you always. ^C And also with you.

At this time, we invite you to share the peace of the Lord with your neighbors

THE HOLY MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving ~ *P. 88 LBW*

^p The Lord be with you.
 ^c And also with you.
 ^c Lift up your hearts.
 ^c We lift them up to the Lord.
 ^c We lift to give him thanks and praise.

^P All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the Magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of 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 Whenever we gather for the celebration of Holy Communion, we hear again the wonderful story of God's mighty acts, and of the love shown to us in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. With thanksgiving, we remember that 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.
- ^PFor as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death, until he comes.
- ^c Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

^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 We are given assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of His Holy Spirit. Now, we receive this same bread of life and this same cup of blessing, that we may be strengthened through these gifts.
- ^P Let us pray: Almighty Father, whose dear Son instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

^C Amen

- ^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:

"Angels, from the Realms of GLORy" (LBW #50)

Angels, from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth; Once you sang creation's story; Now proclaim Messiah's birth: <u>Chorus</u>:

Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn king.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding, Sages, leave your contemplations,			1
Watching o'er your flocks by nigh	nt,	Brighter visions beam afar;	
God with us is now residing,	Seek the great desire of nations,		
Yonder shines the infant light.	Chorus	You have seen his natal star.	Chorus

"MY JESUS I LOVE THEE"

My Jesus I love Thee	I'll love Thee in life	
I know Thou art mine	I will love Thee in death	
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign	And praise Thee as long as	
My gracious Redeemer	Thou lendest me breath	
my Savior art Thou	And say when the death dew lies cold	
If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now	on my brow	
I love Thee because	If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now	
Thou hast first loved me	In mansions of glory and endless delight	
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree	I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright	
I love Thee for wearing	I'll sing with the glittering crown	
the thorns on Thy brow	on my brow	
If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now	If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now	

"ONE BREAD, ONE BODY" (WOV # 710)

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;	Of all.
One cup of blessing, which we bless,	One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
And we, though many throughout the earth,	One cup of blessing, which we bless,
We are one body in this one Lord.	And we, though many throughout the earth,
Gentile or Jew,	We are one body in this one Lord.
Servant or free,	Grain for the fields,
Woman or man,	Scattered and grown,
No more	Gather to one
One bread, one body, one Lord of all;	For all.
One cup of blessing, which we bless,	One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
And we, though many throughout the earth,	One cup of blessing, which we bless,
We are one body in this one Lord.	And we, though many throughout the earth,
Many the gifts,	We are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, Many the works, One in the Lord

Please stand

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 $\sim P.95 LBW$

^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 ~ "ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH" (LBW #71)

Angels we have heard on high,	Why your joyous strains prolong?
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,	What the gladsome tidings be
And the mountains in reply,	Which inspire your heav'nly song?
Echoing their joyous strains.	Chorus
<u>Chorus</u> : Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo.	Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing; Come, adore on bended knee
Shepherds, why this jubilee?	Christ the Lord, the newborn king. <i>Chorus</i>
D	ISMISSAL

^P Go in Peace, serve the Lord

^C Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter:
Acolyte:
Ushers:
Cantor:
Reader:
Communion Assistants:
Projectionist:

Helen Siebert Max Bothner Joe Coke and Bill Videtto Blaine Davis Sylvia Miller Carmen Nazario, Jana Coke, Jan Moch Toby Fite

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (January 6-12)			
Monday:	Men's Group	8:00 PM	
Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 AM	
	Spin Class	6:00 PM	
Wednesday:	Embroiderers	9:30 AM	
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 AM	
	CODA	6:00 PM	
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #2		
Sunday:	Sunday School & Bible Study	9:15 AM	
	Choir	9:15 AM	
	Worship	10:00 AM	
	Church Council	11:30 AM	
	Confirmation	4:00 PM	

Attendance

Sunday, December 29, 2024: 78

2024 Average Attendance: 99

Stewardship			
Last Week's Offerings:	\$	2,370	
2024 Total of December Offerings:	\$	29,039	
2024 Total Offerings to Date:	\$	301,341	

Announcements

Today after church

We need volunteers to help Altar Guild take down the Christmas decorations in the church.

Thursday Bible Study

We are starting a new study on Daniel on January 9th. All are welcome! If you have any questions see Chris Burris

Survey

SURVEY

In October, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church moved quickly to establish an interim plan during the time we are in the call process for a new pastor. Together, we met the goal of having this plan operational within a week of Pastor Moore's departure. We are so thankful for this congregation's response to the needs before us.

After 3 months of working together on this plan, this is a good time for assessment. Council hopes to get your thoughts about how things are going so far. Please complete the blue survey in the bulletin. As always, please reach out to council members with questions or concerns. You can also access the survey on-line through the Newsletter.

PRAYER LIST

Our Members

Turi Nixon, John Spintzyk, Chris Miller, Sam Hough, Susan Walker, Amber Tizcareno, AJ & Tammy Noecker, Jeanine Franklin, Ruth Chauvaux, Carol Barner, Gloria Guilfoyle, Jim & Janet Anthony, Tom & Mary Criswell, Kathleen Grant, Phyllis Guysinger, Larry & Joanne Hill, Sarah Lyles, Diane Polley, Curt & Joyce Peterson, Ellie Sadek, Margo Williams

Family & Friends

Ann Scott, DeLynda Rousec, Lois Snyder, Amy Little, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Rebecca Smith, Blake Madewell, Joanna Garett, Richard Grinnell

> If you have any updates or changes to the prayer list, please contact Blaine, Natalie, or Jerry Redman