



OUR SAVIOUR'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Bringing Christ to the people and the people to Christ.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C)

MAY 4, 2025 • 10:00 A.M.

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.

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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.

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

Psalm 96:9

Please stand (in body or in spirit)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN ~ "ONWARD, CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS " VSS 1&4 (LBW #509)

Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.
Christ, the royal Master,
Leads against the foe;
Forward into battle,
See, His banners go!

Onward, then, you faithful,
Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph-song.
Glory, laud, and honor
Unto Christ the King.
We through countless ages
With the angels sing:

Chorus

Chorus:

Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before.

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**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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. 81-82)

*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: Let us pray:

"See Insert"

C: Amen

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING ~ ISAIAH 65:1-9

"See Insert"

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

PSALMODY ~ PSALM 3

"See Insert"

SECOND READING ~ GALATIANS 3:23-4:7

"See Insert"

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

CHILDREN'S SONG ~ "DEEP AND WIDE"

Deep and wide
Deep and wide
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide
Deep and wide
Deep and wide
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide

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. Luke the 8th Chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

LUKE 8:26-39

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

Please be seated

SERMON ~ REV. BECKY THANE

BREAKING THE CHAINS OF BONDAGE

PLEASE STAND

Hymn Of The Day ~ "THE CHURCH OF CHRIST, IN EVERY AGE" (LBW #433)

The church of Christ, in ev'ry age
Beset by change, but Spirit-led,
Must claim and test its heritage,
And keep on rising from the dead.

Across the world, across the street,
The victims of injustice cry
For shelter and for bread to eat,
And never live before they die.

Then let the servant Church arise,
A caring Church that longs to be

A partner in Christ's sacrifice,
And clothed in Christ's humanity.

For he alone, whose blood was shed,
Can cure the fever in our blood,
And teach us how to share our bread
And feed the starving multitude.

We have no mission but to serve
In full obedience to our Lord;
To care for all, without reserve,
And spread his liberating Word.

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 Ver. 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 – 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 SHARING 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.

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 day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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: 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: 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,
And I simply come; Longing just to bring
Something that's of worth
That will bless your heart.
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;
You're looking into my heart.

Chorus:

*I'm coming back to the heart of worship,
And it's all about You,
All about You, Jesus.
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing
I've made it,
When it's all about You,
All about You, Jesus.*

King of endless worth,
No one could express
How much You deserve.
Though I'm weak and poor,
All I have is Yours,
Ev'ry single breath..
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;
You're looking into my heart.

Chorus

"I, THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY" (WOV #752)

"I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?"

Chorus:

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

"I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?"

Chorus

"I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide

'till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?"
Chorus

"HIS NAME IS WONDERFUL"

His name is wonderful
His name is wonderful
His name is wonderful
Jesus my Lord.
He is the mighty King
Master of everything
His name is wonderful
Jesus my Lord.

He's the Great Shepherd
The Rock of all ages
Almighty God is He
Bow down before Him
Love and adore Him
His name is wonderful
Jesus my 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 ~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 ~ “THE SPIRIT SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE” VSS 1, 3, 4 (WOV #723)

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.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
Into ev’ry troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit;
Let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;

Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

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!

DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace, serve the Lord
C: Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

Announcements

**Next Sunday, June 29th
5th Sunday Potluck
Following Worship Service**



Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter: Gloria Bielfeldt
Acolyte: Charlie & Caedmon Cumming
Ushers: Max Lewis & Preston Graham
Reader: Peggy Jones
Communion Assistants: Sylvia Miller, Linda Webster, Terry Ball

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (June 23-29)

Monday:	Men's Group	8:00 PM
Tuesday:	Quilters & Needlepoint	9:00 AM
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 AM
	CODA	6:00 PM
Saturday:	Altar Guild	
Sunday:	Bible Study	9:15 AM
	Choir	9:15 AM
	Worship	10:00 AM
	Potluck Lunch	11:30 AM

Attendance

Sunday, June 15, 2025: 61
2025 Average Attendance: 84

Stewardship

Last Week's Offerings: \$ 1,735
Total for the June: \$ 9,516
2025 Total Offerings to Date: \$ 135,986

PRAYER LIST

Our Members:

Joe Coke, Mary Ferguson, Margo Williams, Toby Fite, Peter Eng, John Minster, Sam Hough, Amber Tizcareno, Jeanine Franklin, Susan Walker, 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

Family & Friends:

Preetha James, Nancy Hall, Nick Lopez, Clayton Pinkerton, Ann Spears, Helen Wallace, Marissa Rose, Shawn Gilbertson, Marshall Hart, Rebecca Smith, Blake Madewell, Joanna Garrett, Richard Grinnell

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

“Onward Christian Soldiers” LBW 509 Text: Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834-1924 Tune: Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842-1900

“Deep and Wide” CCLI Song # 7107339 Catalog Public Domain

“The Church of Christ, in Every Age” LBW 433 Text: F. Pratt Green, b. 1903 Tune: William Knapp, 1698-1768

“Glory to God, We Give You Thanks” WOV 787 Text: Edwin LeGrice, based on *Gloria in excelsis Deo* Music: Walter Greatorex. 1877-1949

“The Heart of Worship” Author: Matt Redman CCLI Song #2296522 Catalog: Thank you Music Ltd

“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky Here I Am, Lord” Text: Daniel Schutte Music: Daniel Schutte; arr. Michael Pope, SJ, Daniel L. Schutte, and John Weissrock © 1981 Daniel L. Schutte and New Dawn Music. All rights reserved.

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