

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday, March 19, 2023 †



Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Sunday, March 19, 2023
8:45AM Worship

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L Welcome, friend and stranger

C We gather together, as a community, to worship.

L To be reminded of the goodness of God.

C So come, let us worship the Lord.

GATHERING SONG: O God, Our Help in Ages Past
ELW #632

CONFESSION & THANKSGIVING

L Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace.

C Amen.

L Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

Silence

L Holy God,

C We confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.

L Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave his only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, + forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power.

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L God of holy anticipation, you have promised that you would return at a time unknown to us. Make us ready, so that when you return we might be welcomed into your kingdom with open arms. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

SONG: Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers
ELW #244

READINGS:

Psalm 47:7-10

L For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.

C God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.

L The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham.

C For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.

Matthew 25:1-13

Read by Keralyn Groff

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Pastor Craig Hanson

SONG: Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying
ELW #436

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RECONCILIATION

L The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C And also with you.

OFFERING

PRAYER AFTER OFFERING

L Let us pray...

C God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. Amen.

WORDS OF INVITATION

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial. And deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

L Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us into your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

L The Lord bless you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG: This Little Light of Mine

ELW #677

DISMISSAL

L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Special Notes for Today's Service

- Accompanist today is Jodi Richert
- We have the special guest artist, Asher Moreton, who is a classical guitarist.
- The song played during Communion "Concierto de Aranjuez 5 min excerpt", by Joaquin Rodrigo. *Performed and Livestreamed with select permission and gracious donation by Cecilia Rodrigo (Joaquin Rodrigo's daughter).*

PRAYER CONCERNS

**Please remember in your prayers:
Kennedy Deutmeyer, Shannon Kirberger,
Elsie Ulmer, Mark Prazak,
Linda VanCleave,
Sharon Dornfeld, Karen Davis,
The Family of Gwen Edwards,
The Family of Betty Aasgaard (Hanson),
The Family of Nancy Cofield**

**The people of Turkey and Syria
The people of Ukraine
San Isidro Labrador in Guatemala
Tarkanfi in Ethiopia**

Shut-ins unable to worship with us include:

**Shirley Meek, Marnie Mackey,
Marlys Gamm, Eunice Banta, Marv Emly,
Cindy Durand, Marlena McClanahan,
Elaine Thielke, Anita Callander,
Gloria Beecher, Marv Brown,
Carolyn Mathieson**

**To join the prayer chain or to
add your concerns, please email
prayerchain@oursaviorsonline.org
or call Jeanne Zaske at (651) 398-2414**

Attendance for Sunday, March 12th

8:45AM

In-person= 35 Online= 130

10:45AM

In-person= 82 Online= 260

*The ELCA's online worship reporting guidelines multiply online views by 2.5 to account for individuals within a household.



**Meet and Greet
Hyein Choi
Accompanist for 8:45 service
March 26th
9:45 AM
Please join us for coffee
and cookies!**

Hola!

A while back we supported San Isidro Labrador (SIL)'s construction of a new church kitchen. It has been completed, and our brothers and sisters in our partner church have been waiting to use their new kitchen until we can be there for its blessing. Thankfully, we have the opportunity to participate in a virtual blessing of the kitchen during an Iglesia Luterana Agustina de Guatemala (ILAG) staff visit. We are hopeful that after this remote blessing, the SIL congregation will finally feel free to use the kitchen space for fellowship.

**Please join us for a virtual blessing of
the San Isidro Labrador kitchen
Tuesday, March 21st
6:45 p.m. Gathering
7:00 p.m. Blessing via video call
Our Saviors Lutheran Church sanctuary**

Holy Hammers™



"Holy Hammers is recruiting volunteers!"

Volunteer workers are needed April 13, 14, 17, and 18. Four volunteers per day are needed to help remodel a home at 2574 Dunlap St. in Roseville, Food providers and servers are also needed for the 17th and 18th. Contact Ruel Carpenter for details. (763-786-4741 or email ruel477carp@q.com)

****We have already filled our commitment for April 11 and 12.**

Direct your
Thrivent Choice Dollars
Today!

Thrivent Members

Looking for an easy way to further support and strengthen Our Saviors? Participate in Thrivent Choice®, Thrivent's charitable outreach

program. Through Thrivent Choice, eligible members can contribute to organizations and causes you care about and influence how Thrivent distributes some of its charitable funding. Thrivent Choice provides an online giving platform where you can make personal donations. And Thrivent pays the processing fees, so 100% of your donation goes to help make an impact. Please talk with your Thrivent Advisor or Ben Prchal to help you with the direction of Choice Dollars. Ben will be at OSLC between services at 10:15 am on March 19th and March 26th in the conference room to provide information on this program and to answer questions.

Online Giving

Convenient way to give online-

Scan the QR code below
(with your cellphone camera)

You will be taken to our online giving site.

Select :

- amount
- Frequency, start date if recurring
- fund to contribute to
- provide some account details

Once you give the first time, your account should be set up and you can text

651-374-9696 to give using your cell phone or scan QR code.

Any questions? Ask Amy in the office.



**Our Savior's
Endowment Fund
Grant Application**

The OSLC Endowment Fund is now accepting applications through April 30th for the 2023 Grant Awards. The application can be found on the OSLC website under the GIVE tab, click on Endowment and scroll down to the grant application button. Application forms are also located in the Narthex by the bulletin board.

Awards will be distributed on
June 1, 2023.

CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILY

PLANT SALE INFORMATION



PLANT SALE - Children and youth are raising funds to help with the cost of **WAPO BIBLE CAMP, NOAH'S ARK PRESCHOOL** and upcoming **MISSION TRIPS**. Please support this ministry and buy your bedding plants and flowering hanging baskets on behalf of these KIDS. Order forms are available in the narthex and church office or by calling the church office and a form will be mailed or emailed to you. Please mail or bring orders and payment to reach the church office by Friday, April 7th. Thank you for helping children attend WAPO Bible camp, Noah's Ark preschool and youth who attend life changing mission trips. **PLANT PICKUP** - Thursday, May 11, 1:00-5:00 pm.

Dear friends in Christ,

We are excited to offer a First Communion class this year! We will not be doing the Seder Meal that has been done in the past.

The schedule will be as follows on Holy Thursday, April 6th: 4th Graders and parents will gather in Luther Hall at 6:30 PM for first communion class and then to make First Communion stoles.

At 8pm, we will go into the Sanctuary for a brief worship time, during which our 4th Graders will be communing for the first time. The service begins at 8:15pm.

If members of your extended family will be joining you, please ask them to be in the Sanctuary around 8pm to meet you and find a seat!

Please email Danielle at ddraheim@oursaviorsonline.org (or call the church office at 763-784-1971) to let us know if your child will be attending this class no later than Sunday, April 2. Then we can prepare enough stole supplies!

This class is for 4th graders, but if your child is older than that and haven't taken this class with their first communion, please join us!

Peace,
Pastor Susie



MARK YOUR CALENDARS MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

MEETINGS @ 12:30pm

TODAY March 19th

April 23rd

May 28th

June 25th



Noah's Ark

**Accepting registrations for
Preschool and
Before and After School
Childcare**

CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILY

BINGO

1	27	33	48	75
8	19	45	56	61
3	18	FREE SPACE	49	69
15	26	41	53	66
2	21	37	46	65

Bingo Night and 50/50 Raffle

Friday April 14

6:30-8:30 PM

Join us for a fun night of Bingo for all ages with some fabulous prizes donated from congregant members and local businesses. Each game will be \$1/3-face sheet. Our final games (\$3 each) will be for a handful of larger prizes (TBD). We will also be drawing a name for the winner of the 50/50 raffle at the end of the night. One winner will win ½ the totally money collected from the raffle. Raffle tickets cost \$1 each and will be sold during church services starting March 19. There will be snacks and beverages for sale as well. Contact Nick for more info.

Fun Wednesday night at Baking Club!



Mission Trip Garage Sale

May 6th

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Keep collecting your items to donate at the beginning of May. Help support the Middle School and High School Mission Trips.

CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILY

CHRISTIAN GRUNDTNER

612-357-2994



LIFE AT KANSAS STATE!

My time at K-State has been awesome! I am finishing up my first year in Accounting. I am currently living in the dorms on campus and will be returning to the dorms next year. I have enjoyed going to the sporting events and making new friends and memories this year.



WHAT GOD HAS BEEN DOING

This year I joined a freshman bible study. It's been great to grow in my faith journey. This is picture from StuMo's winter conference in Branson, Missouri with the guys in my freshman group. There I learned how to better walk with God in college and live out my faith by reading the bible daily, praying with others, and fostering healthy friendships.



MY SUMMER PLANS

I was accepted to KALEO which is a 9-week program that develops your faith and leadership alongside 250 other college students who go down south to Gulf Shores, Alabama. It will allow me to learn more about God, my relationship with God and build fellowship. As this is an unpaid position, I am seeking support to cover the cost of KALEO's \$2,750 fee and other living expenses. Would you prayfully consider supporting me financially this summer? If you are, please follow the giving instructions on the back of this letter and feel free to reach out to me with any questions. Thank you for your consideration and I hope to hear from you! My cell number is: 612-357-2994

To support OSLC member Christian Grundtner you can pick up an information sheet/ways to donate in the Narthex by the bulletin under the Youth section.

All the Ways to Connect with Our Savior's

- **Facebook:** Follow us on FB. Search for Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Circle Pines, MN .

Daily and weekly posts including pastor's column, morning reflection, — sort of the current events of the church.

- **YouTube:** Search for Our Savior's Lutheran in Circle Pines, MN — All things video can be found here.

Live stream of services and funerals. Reflections on Scripture weekly videos, various video recordings.

- **Website:** www.oursaviorsonline.org

General church information, forms for events and programs, weekly bulletin, link to live stream, link to giving online. Newly updated— check it out!

- **The Pulse:** Sign up on OSLC website, click PULSE logo at bottom of main page.

This is our digital newsletter. Interactive with links to videos, music recordings, forms and letters. You have to sign up to receive this, very informative. You can also sign up to receive Prayer concern emails through same link.

- **Breeze:** oslcp.breezechms.com

Member information/directory. Find member contact information or check your giving information and activities. Church calendar is stored here.

- **Zoom:** Links sent out for various "meetings"

Connect for video participation and/or viewing of meetings, some services (Lent mid week), etc.

Questions? Ask Amy in the office!

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