

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP



April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

ELW is Evangelical Lutheran Worship, our red hymn book located in the pew rack in front of you. The songs are in the back half of the book, with the song number at the top of the page.

**An asterisk indicates the congregation should stand in body and/or spirit.
Congregation's speaking and singing parts are in bold font.*

WELCOME

PRELUDE - *Blessings* - Arr. by Carol Tornquist

Please use this time to prepare for worship.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.
Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian Eunuch entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved One was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

***GATHERING HYMN - Now the Feast and Celebration**

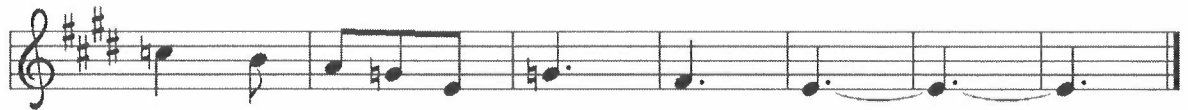
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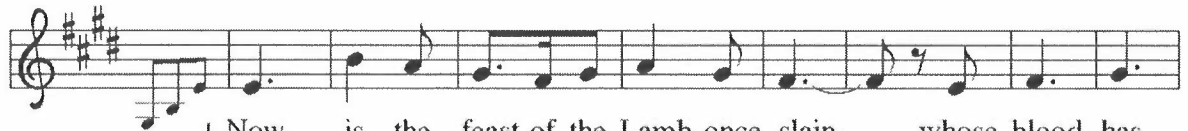
Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

*GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 4 - *Found in the front half of the ELW hymnal.*

Congregation sings the even-numbered verses.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Repeat optional

*GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 24:36b-48

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY- ELW #469 - *By Your Hand You Feed Your People*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition of the prayers:

Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, **Amen.**

***EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

OFFERING & OFFERING ANTHEM - *Seek Ye First* - Arr. by Douglas E. Wagner -
Chancel Choir

***OFFERING PRAYER**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that at all times and in all places...

...Trusting in the mercy and compassion of God who is with us as Parent and Creator, let us pray as Jesus taught:

**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.**

COMMUNION

Come, eat - this is Bread for the journey.

This is Christ's table. You and all are welcome here, without exception. Please follow the ushers' direction, filling in the communion rail starting on the right side. You may stand or kneel. If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your heart. Gluten free wafers are available. The wine is red; the grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.

COMMUNION HYMNS- *Lamb of God*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

ELW# 366 - *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING PRAYER

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN - ELW#377 - *Alleluia! Jesus Is Arisen*

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is risen! - **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE - *Since I Have Been Redeemed* Arr. By Mark Hayes

You are welcome to leave anytime during the postlude or stay to listen.

Please join us for coffee and conversation following worship.

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This Week at Our Saviour's

April 14, 2024

Date	Event	Time	Place
Monday 4/15	Staff Meeting	10:00AM	Office
	Bell Ringers	6:30PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday 4/16	Men's Bible Study	6:30PM	AB Café
	Quilters	9:00AM	AB
	Centering Prayer	12:15PM	Chapel
	Council Meeting	6:30PM	Patio Room
Wednesday 4/17	Bible Study	10:30AM	AB Pocket Room
	LCM Dinner and Worship	6:00PM	Campus House
Thursday 4/18	Choir Rehearsal	6:30PM	AB
Friday 4/19	Campus/Office Closed		
Saturday 4/20			
Sunday 4/21	Sunday Service	9:00AM	Sanctuary
	Sunday Forum	10:30AM	AB
	Sandwich Making	10:30AM	AB Kitchen

Please see online calendar for all events.

SUNDAY FORUM SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 2024

What does it mean to be "church" today?

The Sunday Forum will explore the origins of the early Christian communities as recorded in the New Testament, coupled with the promise that the church will continue to be sustained and formed by the work of the Holy Spirit. We will use Professor Troftgruben's (Wartburg Theological Seminary – ELCA) book *Rooted and Renewing: Imagining the Church's Future in Light of Its New Testament Origins* (Fortress Press, 2019) as a guide for our discussions according to the following chapters:

April 14: "Introduction"/"Sacred Spaces for a Church on the Way"

April 21: "Being True Siblings in a Divided World"

Prof. Troftgruben states: In many societies of the modern Western world, Christians believe dramatic change is soon to come – and is in fact underway – for the church as we have known it...Many fear these changes a great deal, thinking they represent the death of authentic church life and turn to something much worse." The premise of his book is that whatever the church hopes to be in the future, it must start with understanding its roots while being receptive to the inevitable changes the church has always experienced – and successfully overcome – throughout the ages. "God is up to something profound", Prof. Troftgruben assures us.

Purchase of the book is recommended but not required, and a limited number of copies are available for checkout. Please join us for lively discussions!

Welcome to Our Saviour's

Being Christ-centered community through faith and action in the heart of Tucson.



Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us (Ephesians 2:14). You are welcome at Our Saviour's because of who you are. We are a congregation of longtime churchgoers, newcomers, seekers, seasonal visitors, and returners with diverse backgrounds, life experiences, and beliefs. We follow a familiar Lutheran service with piano, organ, and guest musicians. We celebrate the cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity of the Tucson region and seek to be a place of belonging for all. We welcome those who have felt or been excluded from church spaces because of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, financial status, or any other reason. We like the sound of young people in worship, we value the experience of our elders, and all ages between. Our communion table is Christ's table, and all people are welcome, no exceptions. Your presence here builds up the body of Christ.

Prayer Requests:

Our Saviour's Family: Martha, Betty, Phyllis, Mary, Kevin, Erik, Doug, Linda, Michaela, Jake, Ann, Marty, Pat, and Dorothy.

Our Extended Friends & Family: *For the family of DeMar Sather (former member)* Grant, Joe, Meagan, Melissa, Marrienne, Sally (friend of Kathy DeVinney); Vicki (former Our Saviour's youth director); Richard (neighbor); Pete (brother of Gloria Alvillar) and Kenneth (brother of Kay Ijams)

Names will remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for longer.

A Celebration of Life for Jerry mason will be held Sunday, April 21, 2024, prior to Sunday worship

Everyone is welcome. We will meet on the patio at 8:15Am to share memories, coffee, and some of Jerry's favorite breakfast pastries. Following fellowship, we will have a brief ceremony to scatter his ashes in the Memorial Garden. Guest for the service will be invited to join us for worship after. Jerry and his beloved dog (Dogg) were regular worshipers with our congregation over the past year.

Interfaith Community Services (ICS) Food Drive

The Food Bank is increasing food distribution to struggling families and individuals in our Tucson community. Donations of in-date, canned, non-perishable and packaged products: cereal, rice, beans, pasta, pasta sauce, meals in a can, canned fish and canned meats, mac and cheese, peanut butter and personal hygiene items are needed. For the unhoused with no kitchen facilities: SpaghettiOs, chili, and ravioli in pop-top cans would be helpful. Please put donations in the shopping cart that is on the patio on Sundays.

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY (4/14/2024)

Presiding Minister	Rev. Amalia Vagts
Assisting Minister	Mary Pflibsen
Communion Assistants	Bonnie Phelps and Pam Hardman
Piano	Gréta Pásztor
Offertory	Chancel Choir
Cantor	Aysen Milliogullari
Acolyte	Mary Pflibsen
Usher	Bill and Ann DeVinney
Greeter	Bob and Maija Downing
Coffee Host	Fred and Donna Hudson
Treats	Lauretta Olson
Coffee Host	Ron and Nancy Rude
Treats	Mary Lou Forier and John Wahl

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY (4/21/2024)

Presiding Minister	Rev. Amalia Vagts
Preaching Minister	Rev. Glenn Schrader
Assisting Minister	John Indermark and Vicar Wendi Van Beek
Communion Assistants	Bonnie Phelps and Patty Sirls
Piano	Ron Rude
Offertory	Michael Marty, David Lester, Jordan Fouts
Cantor	Jordan Fouts
Acolyte	David Lester
Usher	Kathy DeVinney and Patty Sirls
Greeter	Patty Sirls
Coffee Host	David Lester
Treats	Wendi Van Beek

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Sunday Worship Times

9:00 - Sanctuary

Coffee following

10:30 Sunday Forum

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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