

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP



November 12, 2023

Pentecost 24

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.*

PRELUDE - *Find Us Faithful* by Carol Tornquist

WELCOME

***GATHERING HYMN** - ELW #244- *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the Holy Trinity † One God, in whose image you are made, who claims you and calls you beloved **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to you, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation.

We are God's children, and Jesus opens the door to us.

Through † Jesus you are forgiven, welcomed, called to rejoice!

Live in the promises prepared from the foundation of the world.

Amen.

***KYRIE** - *See Insert*

***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: Amos 5:18-24 (pg. 854)

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (pg. 204 New Testament)

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** - *See Insert*

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

***GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13** (pg. 28 New Testament)

...This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY- ELW#314 - *Arise, Your Light Has Come!*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition of the prayers:

God in your mercy, **Receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

STATEMENT OF INTENT - *at this time we will bring forward our Statements of Intent*

OFFERING & OFFERING ANTHEM - *Keep Your Lamps* - 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

Indeed, it is right to give our thanks and praise in all ways and all places...
...and we sing to you holy, holy, holy...

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** - *See Insert*

*Together we pray Our Creator, Our Parent...

**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.**

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

Jesus invites you to the table. Come, eat and live.

COMMUNION HYMN - ELW#262 - *Wait for the Lord*

ELW#424 - Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING PRAYER (said in unison)

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils and joys unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BLESSING**

The God of all creation, who claims you and calls you beloved, who strengthens you for service, gives you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN** - *ELW #810 - O Jesus, I Have Promised*

***DISMISSAL**

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE - *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* - Arr. By George J. Webb

You are welcome to leave anytime during the postlude or stay to listen. Please join us for coffee and conversation in the Activity Building.

Welcome to Our Saviour's



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.

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Prayer Requests:



Our Saviour's Family: Betty, Phyllis, Mary, Kevin, Erik, Doug, Nicole, Thomas, and Linda

Our Extended Friends & Family: Dale and Diane (friends of Kay Ijams); Megan (niece of Chris & Theda Doak); Melissa and Marianna (friends of Chris & Theda Doak); Vicki (former Our Saviour's youth director); Richard (neighbor); Pete (brother of Gloria Alvillar)

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



This Week at Our Saviour's

November 12, 2023

Date	Event	Time	Place
Monday 11/13	Staff Meeting	10:00AM	Office
	Handbells	6:30PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday 11/14	Men's Bible Study	6:30PM	AB Café
	Property Meeting	9:00AM	Library
	Knit and Crochet	10:00AM	AB Main
	Dwelling in the Word	12:15PM	Chapel
	Council Meeting	1:30PM	Patio Room
Wednesday 11/15	Bible Study	10:30AM	AB Pocket Room
	LCM Dinner and Worship	6:00PM	LCM House
Thursday 11/16	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:30PM	AB
Friday 11/17	Campus/Office Closed		
Saturday 11/18			
Sunday 11/19	Worship 9:00AM	9:00AM	Sanctuary
	Sunday Learning	10:30AM	AB Café
	Sandwich Making	10:30AM	AB Kitchen
	Book Club	10:30AM	Ramada Room

Please see online calendar for all events.

Today at Our Saviour's Sunday Learning 10:30AM - AB

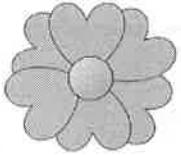
Nov 12 - Our Saviour's Mission Endowment Fund - Arch Brown & Scott Koenig

Correction:

In last week's listing of our members who have died in the past year, I mistakenly used an incorrect name for one of our members, Lois Kettel (listing her daughter's last name). I have contacted the family with my heartfelt apology. - Pastor Amalia

Please remember with gratitude:

Lois Kettel, date of death, April 13, 2023



Flowers today are given by Erich Saphir and Shelly Adrian, in honor of our 25th wedding anniversary

Sunday Sandwich Spectacular

Three days a week, hungry people in our neighborhood are fed at the welcome center at Grace St. Paul Episcopal Church (five blocks from here). We help make sandwiches for their Monday program. You can help by giving about 45 minutes of your time after worship each Sunday to work alongside others from Our Saviour's. Join us today if you can! Talk to Vicar Wendi about how to get involved or sign-up at vicar@lutherantucson.org.

ICS Holiday Food Drive

November to December 31



The ICS Food Bank gratefully accepts prepackaged, canned, non-perishable and in-date items: peanut butter, canned meats, cranberry sauce, pasta, rice, beans, pasta sauce, turkey stuffing mix, mac and cheese, boxed cake and baking mix. Please put items in

the shopping cart that is on the patio on Sundays.

TIHAN Holiday Gift Drive



Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network
Helping People with HIV to Live Well

It's the time for giving! Please help our TIHAN Care Partners living with HIV to have happier holidays. We are collecting new, unwrapped, unused gifts with values of \$15-\$25 that would be useful for men over 50, as well as \$25 gift cards to Walmart, Target or Fry's. Gift suggestions include

practical household items. Please stop by the patio table for more information or to drop off your gifts through Sunday, Dec 3rd. For questions, contact Mary Pflibsen at marypflib@hotmail.com. Thank you for caring!

THOSE SERVING TODAY (11/12/23)

Presiding Minister Rev. Amalia Vagts
Assisting Ministers Bill DeVinney and Vicar
Wendi Van Beek
Communion Assistants Patty Sirls and
Bonnie Phelps
Pianist Gréta Pásztor
Cantor Nilu Dorschner
Musicians Chancel Choir and
Michael Marty
Acolyte Elizabeth Jamison
Ushers Dianne Siefkes and
Elizabeth Jamison
Greeters Scott Koenig
Coffee Host David Lester
Treats Nancy Rude

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY (11/19/23)

Presiding Minister Rev. Amalia Vagts
Assisting Minister Jennifer Strand
Communion Assistants Linda Zizka and Bonnie Phelps
Pianist Gréta Pásztor
Musicians Dianne Chua, Gréta Pásztor, Anesu
Samuel Masango, Jared Peterson
Cantor Anesu Samuel Masango
Acolyte Jennifer Strand
Ushers David Lester and Melanie Bowman
Greeters Bob and Maija Downing
Coffee Host Fred and Donna Hudson
Treats Generosity Committee

Online Offering

We have partnered with the ELCA and Tithely to offer secure online giving. Scan the image below using your smart phone to make your offering.
Or, contact the church office to set up regular online giving.



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Sunday Worship Times

9:00 - Sanctuary
Coffee following
10:30 Learning

Office Hours

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

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