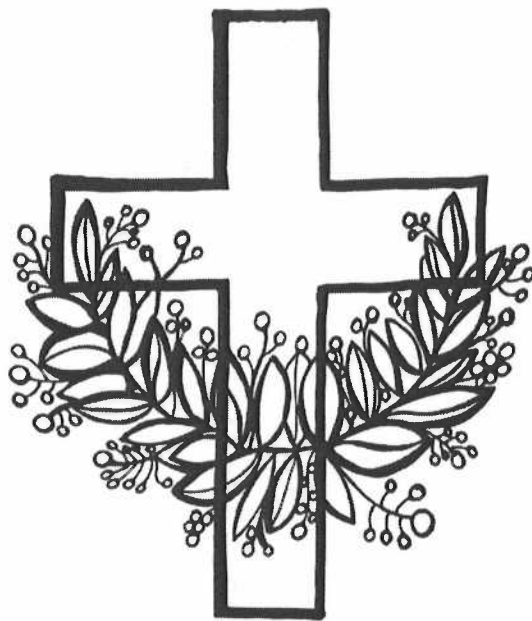


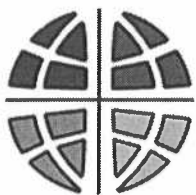
Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Sunday Worship

April 27, 2025

Second Sunday of Easter 9:00AM



Welcome



ELCA

Your presence builds up the body of Christ. We welcome and affirm God's diversity, including all ethnicities, cultures, races, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, abilities, ages, and life experiences. You are invited to full participation in our congregation because of who you are. We lament and confess how the Christian Church has withheld Christ's love by misusing the power of institution. We commit to advocating for God's justice and mercy for all of creation, including humans. We commit to anti-racism and other ways of ending systems that cause harm. Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us. Our communion table is Christ's table. You and all people are welcome without exception.



RECONCILING IN CHRIST

Prayer Requests: Mary, Tracy & Marty; Maija, and those at home and in care facilities. Our Extended Friends & Family: Peggy (sister of Bonnie Phelps); Maria and Steve (friends of Olga Ryan); Our Extended Friends & Family: John (friend of Pastor Glenn's); Josh, Melissa, and Mary Ann (friends of Chris and Theda Doak); Megan (niece of Chris and Theda Doak); Sally (friend of Kathy DeVinney); Tom (brother-in-law of Ted Adams); Abel (great grandson of Laverne Walsh); Maureen (mother of Adam Delaossa); Jeanne (friend of Schatzi Taylor); Michael Bales (brother of Alan Bales); Grant and Shirley (brother and sister-in-law of Theda Doak); John (son of Martha Neff Stum and Paul Stum); Sam; Libby (friend of Theda Doak); Leigh Ann and Ashley (friends of Kathy DeVinney); Eleanor (mother-in-law of Kris Sanchez);
Names will remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for longer.

Newcomers and Visitors + Newcomers and Visitors + We're glad you're here. Please fill out the green slip in the pew rack and place in the offering plate. You're welcome to share in Holy Communion. Families - we have a small play area up front.

Nametags + Nametags help us get to know and remember each other. Please let the ushers know if you need one made for you.

Expansive Language + As Lutherans, we teach that "God calls all creation into being and gives people language as a way of responding to God and forming community" (Principles for Worship, Principle L-1). In worship at Our Saviour's, we seek to use expansive language for God and people, sometimes changing or offering alternatives to the printed text.

Current Liturgy Music + liturgy is the flow of our worship service - working together as people to praise God. Currently our liturgy music is from Evangelical Lutheran Worship

SUNDAY FORUM - Today

Recognizing the Reconciling in Christ Journey

We will recognize the progress that Our Saviour's Lutheran has made by becoming a Reconciling in Congregation. What have we achieved? What lies ahead? What does an RIC congregation continue to do to create an environment that welcomes the LGBT+ community and all who have experienced rejection by society and churches?

At the close of worship, we will gather in the Sanctuary around our "Full of Heart in the Heart of it All" banner for a group picture.

May Sunday Forums

May 4 Chamber Concert featuring Dr. Gréta Pásztor- -Wung - brunch following

May 11 "Sharing Stories on Mother's Day"

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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 - *Come Touch His Wounded Side* arr. by Handt Hanson - Chancel Band

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.
Alleluia! Christ is risen.*

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of ☩ the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection,
and called to live the baptized life,
let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God,
we give you thanks for the waters of baptism...
...Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

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...Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

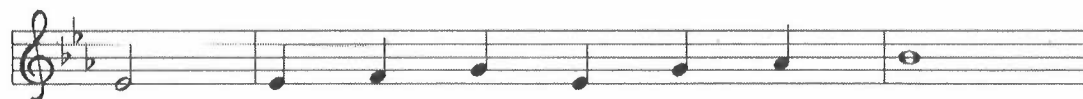
We give you thanks for the waters of baptism...
...Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One,
that our every day is shaped by these waters
that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN ELW #367** *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876-1947, alt.
 Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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***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 5:27-32

When they had brought [the apostles], they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 150

Hallelujah! Praise God in the holy temple;
praise God in the mighty firmament.

Praise God for Mighty acts;
praise God for exceeding greatness.

Praise God with trumpet sound;
praise God with lyre and harp.

Praise God with tambourine and dance;
praise God with strings and pipe.

Praise God with resounding cymbals;
praise God with loud clanging cymbals.

Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him,

and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him.

So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Soli Deo Gloria

5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and
gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry
cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and
sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:
So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!

***GOSPEL**

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

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

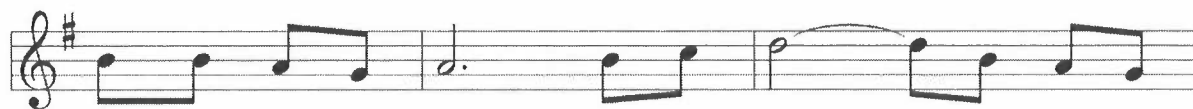
Silence for Reflection

HYMN OF THE DAY WOV #743 *Stay with Us*

Stay with Us



1 Stay with us, till night has come: our praise to
 2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: hear when our
 3 Walk with us, the road will bend: make all our
 4 Talk with us, till we be - hold a joy - ful
 5 Stay with us, till day is done: no tears nor



you this day be sung. Bless our bread, o - pen our
 wea - ry spir - its cry. Feel a - gain our loss, our
 weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears, for - give our
 life you will un - fold. Heal our eyes to see the
 dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, your grace im -



eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.
 pain: Je - sus, take us to your side.
 fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.
 prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.
 part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
 Music: STAY WITH US. Walter L. Pelz, b. 1926

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HOLY BAPTISM

Family, and child gather around the font.

Pastor: God, who is rich in mercy and love... and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsor: I present Raymond Johnathan Edward LeDoux for baptism.

Pastor: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Raymond Jonathan Edward baptized into Christ?

Parents: We do.

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with Raymond among God's faithful people,
bring Raymond to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach Raymond the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in Raymond's hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture Raymond in faith and prayer,
so that Raymond may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Raymond grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: We do.

People of God, do you promise to support Raymond, praying for Raymond's new life in Christ?

Congregation: **We do.**

**Congregation stands.*

Pastor: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God,
the powers of this world that rebel against God,
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

All: **We renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

Blessed are you, holy God...you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

WELCOME

Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Let us welcome the newly baptized...

The world will call you many things. The world will try to rename you. Today we echo the voice of the Triune God. Today we call you Beloved Child. When we see you begin to wonder if this new name is really yours, we promise to remind you: you are indeed a child of God.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The assisting minister leads the prayers.

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

...We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

*EXCHANGE OF PEACE

OFFERING *Lord, My Strength* - Chancel Band

***OFFERING PRAYER** - *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (all sing)

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise
While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love
Teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.

Almighty God, your love is cast, like seed upon the ground
O let the dew of grace appear, and righteous fruits abound.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Holy One be with you. **And also with you.**

Open your hearts to the One who is Love. **We open our hearts to you, O God.**

Let us give thanks to God, who gives us courage.

To the One who calls us to life and love we give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to give our thanks and praise in all ways and all places...

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

**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 to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

This is Christ's table. You are all are welcome here, without exception. During the season of Easter (through June 8), you are encouraged to remain standing to receive communion - this recognizes the celebration and joy of Easter. Those who wish may kneel. If you prefer a blessing only, cross your arms over your heart. Gluten free wafers available by request. The wine is red; grape juice is clear. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to your pew.

COMMUNION MUSIC ELW # 496 One Bread, One Body (all sing)

One Bread, One Body

Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,



Refrain

wom - an or man, no more.
one in the Lord of all.
gath - ered to one for all.

Text: John Foley, sr, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, sr

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I'll Bless the Lord Forevermore (Psalm 34)

I Will Seek arr. by Noel Richards

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

SENDING HYMN *Dazzling Bouquet* arr. by Bret Hesla

During the sending hymn, you are invited to bring your flower to the front to place in a vase. We will then gather in the front area and front pews for a group photo at the end of the song, immediately following the dismissal.

Refrain:

**Mine is the church where everybody's welcome.
I know it's true 'cause I got through the door.
We are a dazzling bouquet of every kind of flower.
Jump in the vase, 'cause we've got space for more.**

1. Come here, all you six foot gladiolas.
Come all you purple lilacs shining bright.
Come let us all bloom together in one garden:
A carnival of fragrance and delight. (Refrain)
2. We don't simply tolerate each other.
We ask and tell, we don't just turn away.
We give attention to every bud and blossom.
Let every face come grace the grand bouquet. (Refrain)
3. Our demons keep trying to divide us;
They document their lies to make them true.
Today we're freed from our judging and excluding.
Just look around enjoy the lovely view. (Refrain)

*DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

You are welcome to leave at any time following the dismissal. Many at Our Saviour's remain to listen to the postlude - please feel comfortable leaving or staying as you wish. You are invited to join for coffee and conversation following worship.

POSTLUDE - *Come to Me* (Matthew 11:28) - Chancel Band

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Welcoming New Members on June 8

On Pentecost (June 8), we will receive and welcome new members. If you are interested in joining the faith community of Our Saviour's through baptism or transfer of membership, please talk with Pastor Amalia so she can share information with you about upcoming Newcomer gatherings.

Today's Baptism

This morning, we welcome Raymond Johnathan Edward LeDoux through the sacrament of Baptism. Lutheran theologian Daniel Erlander summarizes Lutheran teaching on baptism this way: The church is for all, and therefore the entry rite of baptism is for all, a sign of God's gracious and unconditional love. With ordinary water and God's extraordinary promise of death to all that separates us from God and new life in Christ, we are given a new way of life, the way of Jesus. Please talk with Pastor Amalia if you are interested in learning more about baptism.

Raymond is the child of Raymond and Lindsay LeDoux. His baptismal sponsor is the Rev. Michelle Knight, his grandmother.

We welcome Raymond Johnathan Edward, the newest member of Our Saviour's and Christ's family!

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.



Habitat For Humanity Volunteer Opportunity

Have you ever said, "I've always wanted to work at Habitat"? Here's an opportunity! Habitat is one of the ministries Our Saviour's supports financially, and here's a way to get physically involved! Habitat Tucson is offering a volunteer construction day for Tucson faith communities on Thursday, May 8 from 7am - 1 pm. The work will be done INDOORS at Habitat's CHUCK Center, 2811 W Curtis Road.

You do not need any construction knowledge - just a willingness to learn and practice a new skill. It would be great if we could have several people from Our Saviour's represented at this event. It's a great way to put our faith into action!

If you would like more information, please contact Nancy Rude at nancyrude54@gmail.com or 520-204-2420. If you're ready to sign up, you can follow this link: <https://cerv.is/0255gmgYt7m>

Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email with all the details about the day.

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The Scattering Group Study

The book club is meeting on this Tuesday at 1:00PM in the Patio Room. You can join at anytime.

We read and discuss one chapter per week. *The Scattering* is available through Amazon, Thriftbooks and the publisher, Wizpf & Stock. A couple of copies will also be available through the Our Saviour's library.

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Come and See - Thursdays 12 - 1 PM, Patio Room

What is "Come & See?" This is a weekly exploration of faith and life. We are presently reading through Paul's letters to the church in Corinth (1 and 2 Corinthians). In these letters, Paul addresses many familiar themes for ancient and modern communities of faith. We examine Scripture together through conversation, context, and background. Open to anyone who is interested in learning with others. Led by Pastor Glenn and Pastor Amalia. Bring a Bible or use one of the provided Lutheran study Bibles. You are welcome to bring and eat your lunch while we meet. 12-1 pm in the Patio Room (enter through the Office or Koch Chapel).

CHAMBER CONCERT

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FEATURING WORKS BY BACH, MOZART, AND LISZT ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦ ✦



Anna Murphy Simmons
FLUTE



Rollin Medcalf
FIRST VIOLIN



Fatima Corona del Toro
SECOND VIOLIN



Raiden Thaler
VIOLA



Katie Thaler
CELLO



James Karrer
DOUBLE BASS



Gréta Pásztor
PIANO



5/4

10:30am

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
1200 N Campbell Ave, Tucson
celebratory brunch to follow



THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 4/27/2025

Presiding Minister Rev. Amalia Vagts
Preaching Minister Melanie Bowman
Assisting Minister Rev. Glenn Schrader
Ginny Phillips
Communion Assistants Kathy DeVinney and
Patty Sirls
Acolyte Claudia Saphir
Cantor Jordan Fouts
Keyboard Ron Rude
Music Chancel Band - Chancel
Band, Jordan Fouts,
Michael Marty, Jack
O'Brien, David Lester,
Jeff Ladderud, Ron Rude
Usher Hildi Williams and
Ted Adams
Greeter Kris Sanchez
Coffee Host Ron and Nancy Rude
Treats RIC Team and
Mary Pflibsen
Tech Team Pflibsen/Bustamante
Scripture Background John Indermark

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY 5/4/2025

Minister Rev. Amalia Vagts
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Communion Assistants Bonnie Phelps and
Patty Sirls
Acolyte Bonnie Phelps
Cantor Jennifer Strand
Keyboard Gréta Pásztor
Music Chancel Choir, Anna
Murphy Simmons, Rollin
Medcalf, Fatima Corona del
Toro, Raiden Thaler, Katie
Thaler, James Karrer
Usher Jennifer Strand and
Jeanne Gacke
Greeter Gloria Schmidt
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9:00 - Sanctuary

Coffee following

10:30 Sunday Forum

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