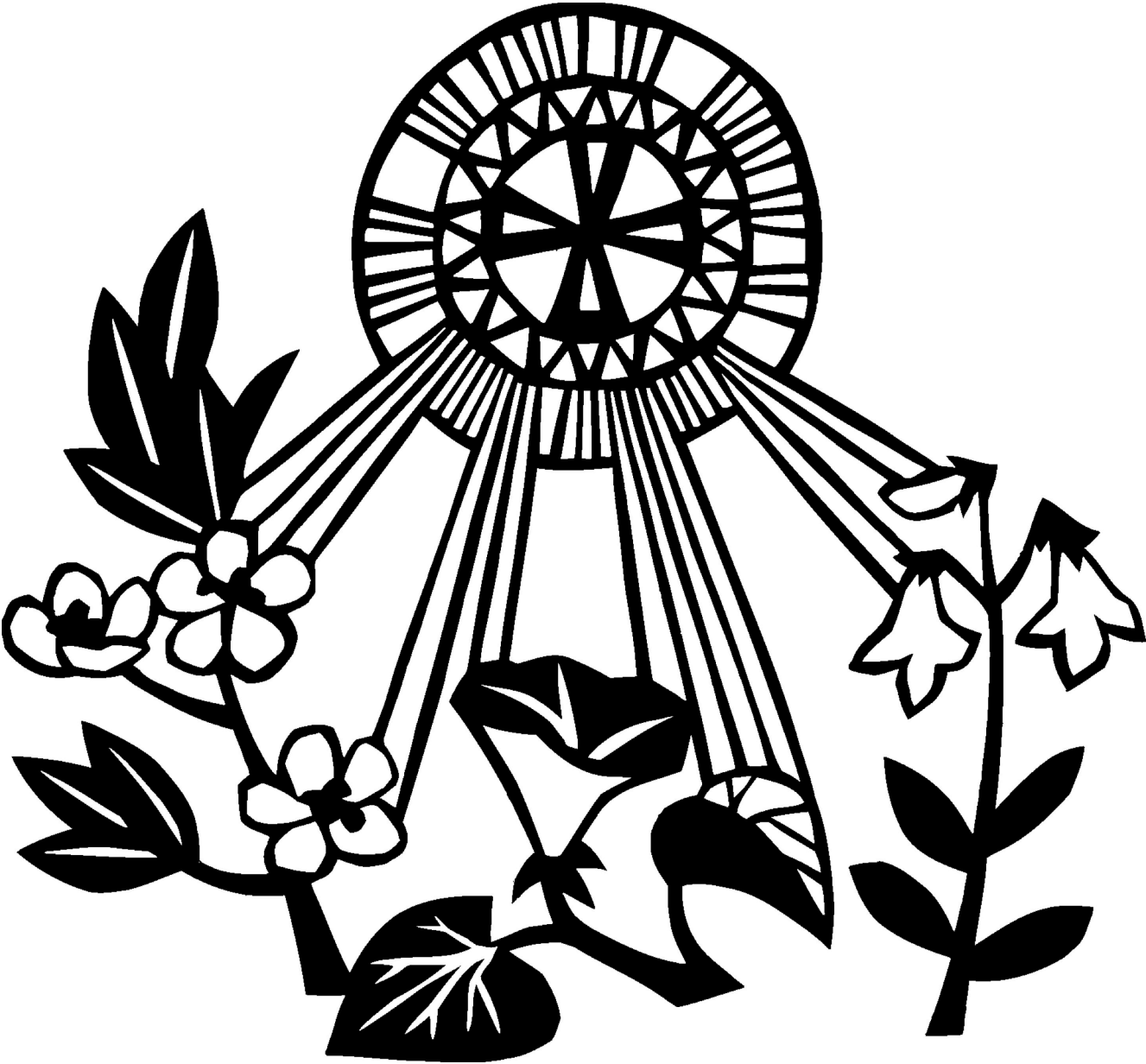


Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
Sunday Worship
Season of Easter 2026



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About Our Liturgy

Parts of our sung liturgy during the season of Easter come from "Behold, I Make All Things New," written by Ben Splichal Larson. Ben was killed in the Haiti Earthquake on January 12, 2010, when he was there with his wife, Renee, and his cousin, Jon. Ben sang the "Lamb of God," of setting 10 in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book, while buried in the rubble and then died. Originally, "Behold, I Make All Things New" was written to reach and inspire 18-35 year olds, an age demographic that is often least represented in weekly worship, but it has resonated deeply across all age groups. It was Ben's intention, and now his family's prayer, that the music he wrote to the ancient worship language of the church be a catalyst for renewal, hope, and faith for people and congregations. In the spirit of Ben, his family gives his liturgy to the Church with joy and prays it may bless all who sing it. Any donations made in support of this liturgy will be used to support new ELCA communities of faith. Learn more at www.benstillsings.com

Season of Easter 2026

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

We give thanks for the gifts of baptism, for the waters of creation, for waters that nourish us.

Silence for Reflection

Merciful God,
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.
Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness
who accompanies us on our journeys.
Holy Spirit, you sustain and connect us.
Break down barriers that divide us.
Fill us with your peace.

Thank you for the grace of baptism.
Thank you for making us a new creation.
Guide us to the water of life.
Amen.

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

As we prepare for worship, take time to look around, to settle in, to receive the Holy Spirit's presence.



GATHER

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

***GATHERING HYMN This is the Feast**

This is the fea - st of vic - to - ry for our God.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Wor - thy is Christ, the lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or, bles - sing, and glo - ry are his.

This is the fea - st of vic - to - ry for our God.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.



Bles-sing, hon-or, glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev - er, A-men. _____



This is the fea - st of vic-to-ry for _____ our _____ God.



_____ This is the feast of vic-to-ry _____ for our God. _____



For the Lamb who was slain has be-gun His reign, Al - le - lu - ia. _____



This is the fea - st _____ of vic-to-ry for _____ our _____ God. This is the



feast of vic-to-ry _____ for our God. _____ Al - le-lu - ia.



Al - le-lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia. Al - le-lu - ia.

***GREETING**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

FIRST READING: *See insert*
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: *See insert*

SECOND READING: *See insert*
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**



WORD

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

***GOSPEL**

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

The gospel of Jesus Christ. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *See insert*

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**
...God in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

***EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

OFFERING

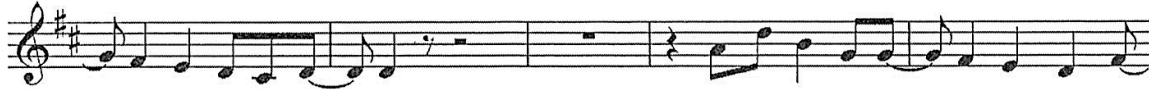
***OFFERING SONG**

Create in Me



Cre - ate in me a clean_ heart, O God._ and put a new and right

6



_ spir - it with - in_ me. Cast me not a - way_ from your pres -

11



ence. and do not take your ho - ly spir - it from me_

17



Re - turn to me the joy_ of your sal - va - tion. Sus - tain a new and wil -

22



ling spir - it with in_ me. Cre - ate in me a clean_ heart, O God._

27



and put a new and right_ spir - it with in_ me.

*Listen deeply as the
gospel lesson is being
read*



MEAL

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four lines of music. The first line is for the Leader, with lyrics: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts.' The second line is for ALL, with lyrics: 'We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The third line is for ALL, with lyrics: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The fourth line is a melisma consisting of two measures of sustained chords, each marked 'Mmmm'.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that at all times and in all places, we give thanks and praise to you, Almighty God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. So, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending dance.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Trusting in the mercy and compassion of God who is with us as Parent and Creator, we 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.**

This congregation tends to use the traditional form of the Lord's Prayer. You are welcome to pray using other versions, words, or languages that may be more familiar to you. You are also encouraged to address God in a way that most opens your heart to relationship with God (Creator, Father and Mother, Abba, Our Only Home are a few options). Jesus taught this form of prayer to the disciples to encourage sincere and meaningful conversation with God.

COMMUNION

Come as you are. Become what you receive.

COMMUNION HYMNS



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.

Communion Hymns *See insert*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING PRAYER

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN *See insert*

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is Risen.
Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia!

*This is Christ's table.
You and all are
welcome, without
exception. If you
prefer a blessing only,
cross your arms over
your heart. Gluten-
free wafers available
by request. The wine is
red; the grape juice is
clear. Please let an
usher know if you
would like communion
brought to your pew.*

ELW, Setting 10



SEND

*Turn to follow the
cross as it passes and
leads us to love and
service in the world.*

WELCOME

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.

Newcomers + We're glad you're here. Please fill out the green slip in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You're welcome to share in Holy Communion.

Families + we have a small play area (pray-ground) up front. The joyful sounds and movements of children in worship are the welcome sounds of children growing in faith. Parents, thank you for doing the hard work of worshipping with children. This congregation is here to support you.

Hearing Assistance + headphones are available to assist in hearing the service. Please contact an usher to get set up with one.

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.

Sunday Forum May 17 Café Justo/Just Coffee

Come learn from the CEO of Café Justo/Just Coffee, Adrián González, all about the coffee we serve at Our Saviour's. Café Justo is a coffee grower cooperative based in Salvador Urbina, Chiapas, Mexico. They market a pure, organic coffee which is grown, harvested and marketed in the spirit of justice. Our goal is to provide incentives for people to remain on their family lands. The coffee is harvested, cleaned and prepared for shipping in Salvador Urbina, Chiapas. The beans are then transported to Agua Prieta, Sonora. In Agua Prieta the coffee is roasted, ground and packaged for shipment to customers like Our Saviour's.

Online Offering

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RECONCILING IN CHRIST



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FIRST READING Genesis 1:1-2:4a

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

¹¹ Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so.

¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²² God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷ So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹ God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food." ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. ² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Our first reading is from the book of Genesis.

As familiar as these words are, they remain stunning in their assertions. God speaks, and worlds and life take shape in response to Word. What results, each and every day, is a creation repeatedly deemed good by that same Word of God. Humankind is given a unique marking, not of privilege but of gift and even responsibility: made in the image of God.

Hear these words from Genesis, beginning at the first verse of chapter 1.

Proverbs 8:22-31

²² "The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago. ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the
beginning of the earth. ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.

²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth,
²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world's first bits of soil.

²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the
face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the
fountains of the deep, ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight,
playing before him always, ³¹ playing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

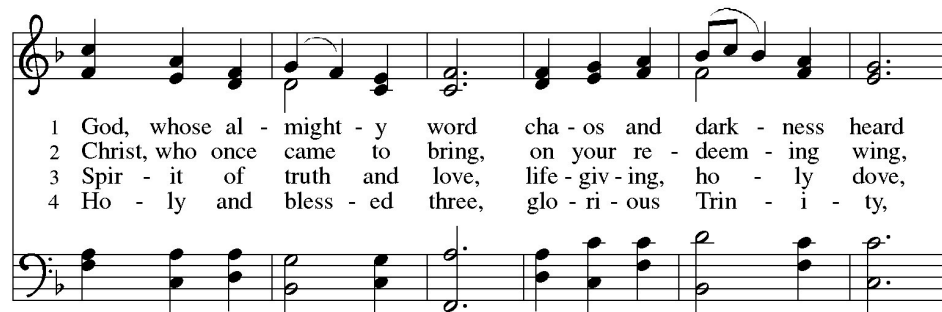
[Paul writes:] ¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my
appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will
be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with all of you.

GOSPEL John 1:1-5,14

*HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #673 God, Whose Almighty Word

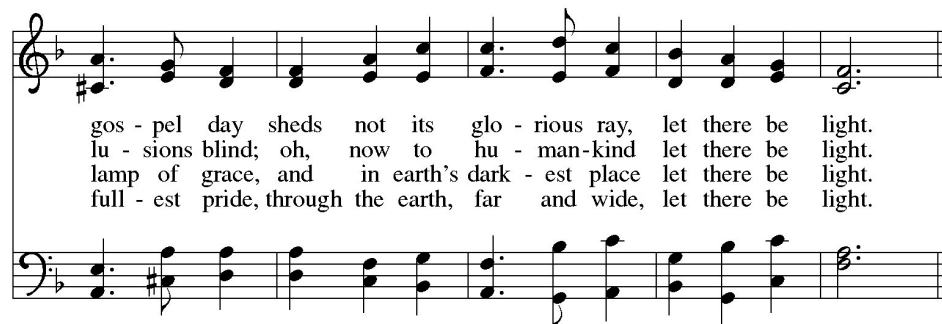
God, Whose Almighty Word



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard
2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,
3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the
heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -
speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the
Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.
lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.
lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.
full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Our second reading is from the second letter of Paul to the church at Corinth.

No doubt the lectionary chose this passage for its final verse. It is one of the few verses in all of the Bible that "name" the Trinity. But do not miss the implications of the opening verse. Paul makes an earnest appeal to the church to reflect in its own life the unity of love and peace that comes as both gift and call from the Triune God.

Hear these words from the 13th chapter of First Corinthians, beginning at verse 11.

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW #483 Here is Bread

ELW #735 Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

*SENDING HYMN ELW #413 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Please turn to follow the cross as it passes and leads us to love and service in the world.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.
Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876

Prayer Requests: Our Saviour's Community: Family and Friends of Schatzi Taylor; Alecia; Justin Schneider; Gerry Meyer; Fred Alvord; Corky Ronstadt; Mary Neff; Geoff and Suzy Swann and the family and friends of David Swann; Family and Friends of Virginia Hecht (former member of Our Saviour's) and all at home and in care facilities.

Our Extended Family: Friends and Family of Kathy Gregory upon the death of her husband Gary (friends of Ann and Bill DeVinney): Sarah (great niece of Donna Lounsbury); Becky (Daughter of Mary Wildner-Bassett); Barbara (sister-in-law of Kenith Ijams); Josh, Melissa, Mary Ann Libby (friends of Chris and Theda Doak); Megan (niece of Chris and Theda Doak); Sally, and Ashley, (friends of Kathy DeVinney); Grant and Shirley (brother and sister-in-law of Theda Doak); John (son of Martha Neff Stum and Paul Stum); Daniel (neighbor's son of Gloria Schmidt); Rich (cousin-in-law of Jennifer Strand); Will (nephew of Chris and Theda Doak); Leaticia, Azogan, Sidibe, and Zinsou, (friends of Rachel Starner); Ann (friend of Suzanne Hesh).

Names will generally remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for renewal. Please contact the church office for corrections, updates, and additions.

OVERVIEW OF TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: The readings for Trinity Sunday offer perspectives into the One the Church has come to call the Trinity. Genesis tells the story of God speaking creation into being. In it, human creation is prefaced by God's "let us make humans in our image." Proverbs sings of the person and role of Wisdom in God's work of creation. Paul links an appeal for church unity with an oft-used benediction invoking the Trinity. The gospel of John opens with the mystery of the Word who was with God and was God "in the beginning."



POZ Cafe June 21

Care Package items are needed by **Monday, June 15th:** This year, we are collecting shampoo (12-32 oz, no conditioner needed), shaving cream, deodorant/antiperspirant, and household disinfecting cleaner or bleach (up to 35 oz) or disinfecting wipes. We also gladly accept cash donations to buy these items.

THOSE SERVING TODAY 5/31/2026

- Presiding Minister** Rev. John Indermark
- Assisting Minister** Mary Lou Forier
- Communion Assistants** Nilu Dorschner, Kathy DeVinney, Patty Sirls
- Acolyte** Mary Lou Forier
- Keyboard** Betsy Dunlap
- Cantor** Joy Bulawa
- Usher** Pam Hardman, Jennifer Strand
- Greeter** Patty Sirls
- Cross Bearer** Jennifer Strand
- Coffee Host** Fred and Donna Hudson
- Treats** Mary Havenhill
- Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante
- Scripture Background** John Indermark

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY 6/7/26

- Presiding Ministers** Rev. Amalia Vagts, Rev. John Indermark
- Preaching Minister** Melanie Bowman
- Assisting Minister** Jennifer Strand
- Communion Assistants** Kathy DeVinney, Patty Sirls
- Acolyte** Jennifer Strand
- Keyboard** Dawn Hartley
- Cantor** Aysen Milliogullari
- Usher** Mary and Asher Havenhill
- Greeter** Gloria Schmidt
- Cross Bearer** Asher Havenhill
- Coffee Host** Joanna Keyl
- Treats** Mary Havenhill
- Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante
- Scripture Background** John Indermark

On June 7, we welcome seminarian Mel Bowman as our preacher and John Indermark as a co-presiding minister. Mel is heading off to internship and John is celebrating 50 years of ordained ministry. At the end of the service Pastor Amalia will lead the congregation in blessings for Mel and John.