About Us

Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, has been firmly planted in the Phillips Community since 1912. A Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation, we celebrate our diversity of age, race, gender identities, sexual orientations, culture and citizenship.

Welcome, Visitors!

Welcome to all visitors and guests. If you live here, we hope you’ll consider joining. If you are here for a short time, we hope you’ll feel at home. Please pick up a copy of our newsletter, The Sentinel, from the entry table.

Children are welcome to participate fully in worship. We feel strongly that children’s spirituality develops through experience. In our community, children lead as ushers, musicians, readers and communion servers. We offer kid’s worship folders. We expect that children will behave as children—giggles, wiggles and all. Kids (and their parents) sometimes need a break. In our reading corner in the Hospitality Center we offer books, a few toys and more. Kids and parents are invited to go in and out of the sanctuary as needed.

Safe Church. For the safety of all our children, we ask that children be attended at all times. Please accompany your child to the bathroom and reading corner. Copies of our Safe Church Policy are available from the church office.

Transportation and Parking

Parking. Handicap access is available in the small lot at the back of the church, accessed from the alley. Sunday morning we may use the Hope Academy lot (across Chicago Ave). The Phillips Eye Institute ramp on 24th Street (1/2 block west of the church) is public; the fee is $4. Please note street parking is limited to residents only during certain hours.

Buses. Route 5 runs on Chicago Avenue right in front of the church. For more options, please check our website: oursavioursmpls.org, call Metro Transit at 612-373-3333 or visit metrotransit.org.

- Hymns not printed in this worship folder are in the red Evangelical Lutheran Worship book which can be found either in front of you or under your seat.
- Hearing assistance devices and children’s worship folders are available from the ushers.
- An asterisk (*) indicates times in worship when the congregation is invited to stand.
Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Gathering Music

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who is present, who gives life,
who is our rock in a weary land.

Amen.

If you were to keep watch over sins, O God, who could stand?
Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

Sing
Gracious God,
have mercy on us.
We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly.
We have wandered from your resurrection life.
We have strayed from your love for all people.
Turn us back to you, O God.
Give us new hearts and right spirits,
that we may find what is pleasing to you
and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

Receive good news: God turns to you in love.
All your sin is forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ,
who leads us from death into life.
Thanks be to God.

*Opening Hymn

“Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather” #530

*Greeting

The grace of our Savior 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

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Quiet reflection.

First Reading

YAHWEH took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.
And YAHWEH commanded the man,
“You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;
but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat,
for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that YAHWEH had made.
The serpent said to the woman,
“Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden’?”
The woman said to the serpent,
“We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden;
but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden,
nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’”
But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die;
for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened,
and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Sparks Story Bible pages 8-19
So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.

Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

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

Psalm 32

Refrain – All; Verses – Reader

You are a hid-ing place, where we have been em-braced.

Sur-round us with your grace, and keep us ev-er close to you.

Second Reading (from The Message)

You know the story of how Adam landed us in the dilemma we’re in—first sin, then death, and no one exempt from either sin or death. That sin disturbed relations with God in everything and everyone, but the extent of the disturbance was not clear until God spelled it out in detail to Moses.

So death, this huge abyss separating us from God, dominated the landscape from Adam to Moses. Even those who didn’t sin precisely as Adam did by disobeying a specific command of God still had to experience this termination of life, this separation from God. But Adam, who got us into this, also points ahead to the One who will get us out of it.

Yet the rescuing gift is not exactly parallel to the death-dealing sin. If one man’s sin put crowds of people at the dead-end abyss of separation from God, just think what God’s gift poured through one man, Jesus Christ, will do! There’s no comparison between that death-dealing sin and this generous, life-giving gift. The verdict on that one sin was the death sentence; the verdict on the many sins that followed was this wonderful life sentence. If death got the upper hand through one man’s wrongdoing, can you imagine the breathtaking recovery life makes, sovereign life, in those who grasp with both hands this wildly extravagant life-gift, this grand setting-everything-right, that the one man Jesus Christ provides?
Here it is in a nutshell: Just as one person did it wrong and got us in all this trouble with sin and death, another person did it right and got us out of it. But more than just getting us out of trouble, he got us into life! One man said no to God and put many people in the wrong; one man said yes to God and put many in the right.

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

*Gospel Acclamation

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter.
Glory to you, O God.

*Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.

The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But Jesus answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

Then the devil took Jesus to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘God will give you into the angels charge,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” Jesus said to the devil, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took Jesus to a very high mountain and showed him all the realms of the world and their splendor; and said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to the devil, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only God.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

This is the Good News. 
Praise to you, O Christ.
Children's Sermon – Bring your noisy offering! During Lent it will be given to C.E.S. After the children’s sermon, children may go with their teacher to children’s church. Or, families may decide to keep children in worship. We love all ages in worship and leave it to the families to decide.

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day

“Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land” #333

*Prayers of the People

Each petition will conclude with, “we pray” and the congregation responds in song, “God of mercy, hear our prayer; God of mercy, hear our prayer.”

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

*Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

(The people greet each other: “Peace be with you.”)

Gathering Our Gifts

All present, even those who contribute through automatic payments, are invited to lay hands upon the collection plate symbolizing their contributions.

*Offertory

“Create In Me a Clean Heart” #185

*Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Holy and generous host, you set a table where we feast as friends.

Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace, through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

*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....

....... join their unending hymn
*Sanctus*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

*Eucharistic Proclamation and Prayer*

... as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

... now and forever.
Amen.

*Lord’s Prayer*

Joining with the people of God throughout the ages, let us pray with confidence.

Our Mother, our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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.

Invitation to Communion

Healing Prayer

On the first Sunday of the month, during the distribution of Holy Communion, you have the option to come to the font for individual prayers for healing. After receiving the bread and wine, simply approach one of the prayer ministers near the font. You may share your prayer concern – for yourself, someone else, or a particular situation. You may also request a time of silent prayer. The minister will pray with you, and then you may return to your seat. Prayer requests will remain confidential, with the exception of informing the pastoral staff regarding issues of safety.
Distribution

All are welcome at the table. After you have received the bread, you may dip it into one of the cups: the dark liquid is wine, the light liquid is grape juice. Or, you may eat the bread and then drink from the last cup which is a common cup of wine. A gluten free wafer is also available. Those who do not yet commune may come forward for a blessing.

“Seed That in Earth Is Dying” #330

“In the Singing” #466

“Bread for the Journey”

1. Give us bread for the journey, give us bread. Give us bread for the journey, give us bread. When our legs are getting heavy, and we’re hanging down our heads, give us bread for the journey, give us bread.

3. Make us one with each other, make us one. Make us one with each other, make us one. All the walls we’ve built around us: may we learn to tear them down. Make us one with each other, make us one.

2. Guide our way as we travel, guide our way. Guide our way as we travel, guide our way. With so many roads before us, where to go is hard to say. Guide our way as we travel, guide our way.

4. Lead us home to the garden, lead us home. Lead us home to the garden, lead us home; where we’ll live with all creation, Find our place and never roam. Lead us home to the garden, lead us home.

*Blessing

*Prayer

*Post Communion Song

1. Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord,
2. Been so good, been so good,
3. Love you, Lord, love you, Lord,

thank you, Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.
been so good, I just want to thank you, Lord.
love you, Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.
Sending
God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*Blessing

*Sending Song
“*I Want Jesus to Walk With Me” #325

*Dismissal
Go in peace to love and serve.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude
**Announcements**

**Mission of the Month: FoodShare/Community Emergency Service (CES)** Taking Action Against Hunger in MN! Our Saviour's will be joining faith communities, businesses and other organizations in the largest grassroots food and fund drive in the State - the March Minnesota FoodShare campaign. MN FoodShare envisions a future where all Minnesotans have access to healthy food and no one struggles with food insecurity.

In 2019 CES distributed more than 600,000 pounds of food; an amazing amount that illustrates an overwhelming need. In 2020 the need for food shelf services continues to increase. Let's work together to end hunger and food insecurity in MN and closer to home - in the Phillips neighborhood. Here's how you can help:

- **Food Drive:** Last Sunday, the Sunday School kids handed out grocery bags after the service. There are a few left if you need one. Otherwise, fill any grocery bag with non-perishables for the CES food shelf. The ‘Needs List’ is on the bag and available in the Narthex. Herbs, spices & seasonings, Soups, Chili, Beef Stew, Cooking oil (especially olive oil), Sugar (4# bags), Canned chicken, Canned tuna & salmon, and Coffee & Tea

- **Weekly Food Drive Items:** Each Sunday, the kids will announce weekly food drive items. These are the items the kids have chosen to focus on, however all items on the needs list are welcome. There will also be a poster in the narthex announcing the food drive item of the week.

- **Do:** Give generously and donate your favorite foods. Don't: donate expired items or use this as an opportunity to clean out your cupboard.

- **Financial Support:** Make a contribution through Mission of the Month. Food shelves can stretch cash further than food donations. They have access to discount products and programs. Make checks out to OSLC and write CES on the check or envelope.

- **Noisy Offerings:** During March noisy offering donations will be dedicated to MN FoodShare.

All food and cash donations from OSLC will be delivered to CES. MN FoodShare Campaign will multiply your donations of food and cash.

**March Mission of the Month – CES/MN FoodShare.** Sunday school kids handed out grocery bags last Sunday, however there are a few left that you can pick up after the service. Fill up any grocery or reusable bag with non-perishables for the CES food shelf. A ‘Needs List’ is on the bag and also available in the Narthex. Place donated food items in the bucket in the coat room.

**Sunday School Weekly Food Drive:** For Sunday March 8th, the kid’s food choices are spaghetti and spaghetti sauces. These are the items the kids have chosen to focus on for donations, however all items on the ‘Needs List’ are welcome.

**Altar Guild 65th Anniversary Celebration, Sunday, March 29** Join the Altar Guild as they celebrate their 65th Anniversary with cake and coffee after worship on March 29!

**Altar Guild Photo** The Altar Guild would like to have a group photograph taken to honor the March 29th 65th Anniversary celebration of the Altar Guild. To ALL Altar Guild members, please be prepared to remain after worship for just a short time to take a group picture on March 15th.
Young Adults Trivia Night  Join young adults from Lutheran* churches across the Twin Cities for a trivia night on Tuesday, March 3 (be sure to vote first!) from 7-9 p.m. at Broken Clock Brewing Cooperative, 3134 California St NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418. Come by yourself, with a church group, or with another group of friends and meet other young adults interested in gathering, nerdery (church and non-church trivia questions included!), and general merriment. RSVP on the facebook event, or contact Miriam Samuelson-Roberts at m.samuelson-roberts@westwoodlutheran.org with questions.

*no need to be Lutheran or even a churchgoer to attend—that’s just who is hosting.

Wilderness Canoe Base Work Weekend  Mark your calendars for May 15th-17th for our annual Wilderness Canoe Base work weekend. We’ll head up on Friday and return on Sunday. We will be doing a variety of projects at the camp to help it get ready to open up the camp for the season. There is also time to possibly canoe and sauna. You can get a preview of your time at Family Camp in July! Watch for more information on signing up in April.

Wilderness Canoe Base Summer Trip Update – Register online by March 15  This summer, we are taking an intergenerational trip to Wilderness Canoe Base. Our dates are Thursday, July 30 – Sunday, August 2. We will leave from the cities quite early Thursday morning, have lunch on our way up to Wilderness, and arrive in the afternoon. On Sunday, we will leave after morning worship and brunch. While we are there, we will enjoy time together – canoeing, playing, exploring, rock climbing, worshiping, singing – sharing life and marveling at the beauty of creation.

You can register for the trip on the registration website. Everyone needs to register by March 15. Follow this link: http://lwlbci.com/os-mplsintergen . Upon registration, a $50 deposit is due and processed through the website. Should you need financial assistance, or have any questions about the registration process or trip, please contact Pastor Martha. If you are in a situation where you can't make the commitment and deposit by March 15, but you are still a 'maybe' or 'probably,' please also let Pastor Martha know. We need to at least have a solid estimate of numbers by that date.

Learn about the East Phillips Indoor Urban Farm Project with Pizza from our Neighborhood Oven!  On Sunday, March 8, over a pizza lunch, we will welcome Karen Clark, former MN house representative for our district, and neighbors from Little Earth who will present to us about the East Phillips Indoor Urban Farm Project and their fight with the city to make this project a reality. This is a unique opportunity for us to keep building relationships with neighbors and to learn about how we might stand in solidarity with them to work for a just and healthy neighborhood. Please plan to stay after church for this conversation, and enjoy the food!

To learn more about the East Phillips Indoor Urban Farm Project and the battle with the city over the Roof Depot site, read these articles:

• Opinion exchange, with Patricia Torres Ray and Karen Clark – “Not in my backyard is alive and well in progressive Minneapolis”, written on 2/20/20.  www.startribune.com and search for “not in my backyard”

• A longer article from City Pages from last May. Go to www.citypages.com and search for “hope in the arsenic triangle”

REMEMBER TO VOTE ON TUESDAY, MARCH 3!
New to Our Saviour's? Interested in learning more and building relationships?
We're glad you're here - welcome! Every year, this congregation invites newcomers who are interested in deepening their relationship with Our Saviour's to be part of Living Questions. In Living Questions, newcomers and oldcomers alike gather to share experiences, questions, and faith with one another, building community as the body of Christ and digging into the central teachings of the Christian faith. This year, we will gather on Sunday nights from March 1 - April 5 to share a meal together, hear about ministry at Our Saviour's, and share our questions and stories in small group conversations. If you are interested in being part of Living Questions or would just like to learn more, please contact Pastor Martha - martha@oursavioursmpls.org

Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land

Lent

Wednesday Connections
March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1
5:30pm Dinner
6:30pm Holden Evening Prayer

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 5
10:30am Palm Sunday Worship with Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday, April 9
7:00pm Worship with Holy Communion and Foot Washing

Good Friday, April 10
7:00pm Worship with reading of the Passion and Prayer Around the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 11
7:00pm Easter Vigil with Holy Communion

Easter Sunday, April 12
9:00am Youth Sponsored Easter Morning Breakfast
10:30am Festival Worship with Holy Communion
This week at Our Saviour’s

Sunday, March 1
9:00am  Education for All Ages
10:00am  Hospitality (HC)
10:30am  Worship (S)
12-2pm  Sandy Celebration Open House (HC)
5-7pm  Living Questions (HC/K)

Monday, March 2
7-8:30pm  Church Council Meeting (CR)

Tuesday, March 3
**Minnesota Primary Election Day**
12:30-2pm  Staff Meeting (CR)

Wednesday, March 4
10:15-12pm  Bible Study (CR)
12-4:30pm  Neighborhood Quilting (HC)
5:30-7:30pm  Wednesday Connection
  5:30  Community Meal
  6:30  Holden Evening Prayer
  7-8pm  Choir Rehearsal (S)

Thursday, March 5
7:30-9:30am  Women’s Breakfast at the Birchwood Cafe

Friday, March 6
7-8am  Men’s Breakfast at Butter Bakery Cafe

Sunday, March 8
**Daylight Savings Time starts**
9:00am  Education for All Ages
9:00am  Peace in God’s World (ELC Classroom)
10:00am  Hospitality (HC)
10:30am  Worship (S)
11:30-1:00pm  Worship Table Meeting (CR)
12-2pm  East Phillips Indoor Urban Farm and Pizza lunch (HC/K)
5-7pm  Living Questions (HC/K)

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