



**Jesus' Healing Power
is Here Among Us**

March 17, 2024

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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.

Need hearing assistance or larger print? Please ask an usher.

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). Please note street parking is limited to residents only during certain hours.

Buses. The D line runs every 10 minutes and stops right at 24th. The 5 bus line still does run on Chicago Ave, but it is about every hour, and does stop at the new bus shelters, along with other intersections. For more options, please check our website: oursavioursmpls.org, call Metro Transit at 612-373-3333 or visit metrotransit.org.

Lent V

God promises Jeremiah that a “new covenant” will be made in the future: a covenant that will allow all the people to know God by heart. The church sees this promise fulfilled in Christ, who draws all people to himself when he is lifted up on the cross. Our baptismal covenant draws us to God’s heart through Christ and draws God’s love and truth into our hearts. We join together in worship, sharing in word, song, and meal, and leave strengthened to share God’s love with all the world.

Gathering

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

Gathering Music

Welcome

*Baptism

*We stand in the power of the name of God, who is the source
of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy.*

*We sing: Love is flowing.... from the fountain of life.
Peace is pouring... Mercy streaming...*

Presentation

The minister addresses the assembly.

Sponsor(s) present the candidates.

I present Sebastian Alexander Lau for baptism.

*The presiding minister addresses those who bring this child for
baptism and the entire assembly.*

Profession of Faith

*The presiding minister addresses the parents and sponsors.
The assembly may join in the responses.*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I 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.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the living God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... now and forever.

Amen.

Baptism of Sebastian Alexander Lau

... and of the Holy Spirit, one God, Mother of us all.

Amen.

... both now and forever.

Amen.

... and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

Welcome

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ

and into the mission we share:

join us in giving thanks and praise to God

**and bearing God's creative and redeeming word
to all the world.**

***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.

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

³¹The days are surely coming, says YAHWEH, when I will make
a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors
when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—
a covenant that they broke, though I was married to them,
says YAHWEH. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house
of Israel after those days, says YAHWEH:

I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts;
and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other,
“Know God,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them
to the greatest, says YAHWEH; for I will forgive their iniquity,
and remember their sin no more.

This is the word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Bishop Oscar Romero

A reading from the writings of Oscar Romero, former Archbishop of San Salvador who was a bold advocate for oppressed people. He was killed while celebrating mass, but his spirit lives on.

From December 10, 1978

God comes, and God's ways are near to us.

God saves in history.

Each person's life, each one's history is the meeting place God comes to.

How satisfying to know one need not go to the desert to meet God, need not go to some particular spot in the world.

God is in your own heart.

This is the word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Blessing of Newcomers in Living Questions

Gathering our Gifts

All present, even those who contribute through automatic payments, are invited to lay hands upon the collection plate symbolizing their contributions. Those worshipping online may contribute on our website: <http://oursavioursmpls.org>.

Why Holy Week?

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***Dismissal/Passing of Peace**

Go in peace to love and serve. *(Share a sign of peace with one another!)*

Thanks be to God!

Please stick around for a property update.

Today's Worship

Ministers:	You!
Presiding:	Martha Bardwell/Esther Sianipar
Reader:	Linnea Peterson
Accompanist:	Catherine Preus
Cantor:	Mary Preus, Kathleen Olsen
Livestream:	Jakob Johnson

Baptism of Sebastian Alexander Lau

Parents: Chang Lau and Rebecca Scholtz

Sponsors: Peter Scholtz and Laura Nelson

Portions of the liturgy and clip art are taken from *Sundays and Seasons.com* © 2022 Augsburg Fortress. Used by permission under license # 45191. All hymns from ELW or *All Creation Sings*. Used by permission under OneLicense.net # A-704050.

Information about Our Saviour's can be found on our [website](#) and on our [Facebook page](#).

If you're interested in becoming a member of Our Saviour's, please reach out to Pastor Martha. We call this process: Living Questions

Mission of the month is Community Emergency Services (CES) .

Hope Academy Parking Ramp available on Sunday mornings

On Sunday mornings, between 8am and 1pm, you are welcome to park in the Hope Academy parking ramp located on 24th street between Chicago and Park Avenues. Make sure you exit the ramp before 1pm as the arms will come down at that time. Parking at other times may be available and will be announced for each specific event.

This week at OSLC:

Wednesday morning bible study is at 10:15am on Zoom.

See scheduled readings and zoom link on the website or weekly update.

Wednesday evenings during Lent (March 20 is the last one!):

5:30pm Supper with Living Questions

7:00pm Contemplative Prayer

7:30pm Choir practice

Holy Week and Easter is coming!

Free up Thurs, March 28 – to Sunday, March 31 to encounter the heart of the matter!





OUR SAVIOUR'S Lutheran Church

*Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is a dynamic community,
centered in Christ, called, nurtured and sent –
to celebrate, serve and do justice.*

612-871-2967 Office Hours: M-Th, 9-3
2315 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis MN 55404
www.oursavioursmpls.org
www.facebook.com/Our.Saviours.Lutheran.Church.Mpls

Pastor	Martha Schwehn Bardwell martha@oursavioursmpls.org	612-871- 2967 opt 3
Pastor	Esther Sianipar esther@oursavioursmpls.org	612-871- 2967 opt 4
Music Director	Mary Preus marypreus@oursavioursmpls.org	612-871- 2967 opt 6
Office Manager	Marcin Cienski marcin@oursavioursmpls.org	612-871- 2967 opt 7
Front Desk & Office Volunteers	Jeanne Asp; Nancy Nygaard Johnson (Monday)	612-871- 2967
OSCS Executive Director	Mike Huffman mike@oscs-mn.org	612-871- 5900 opt 1