



April 21, 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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

The image of the good shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love.

Gathering

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

Gathering Music

Welcome

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*Opening Hymn

"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!"

#364

Verses 1,2 and 3

*Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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

1 John 3:16-24

A reading from First John.

¹⁶We know love by this, that Jesus Christ laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

¹⁷How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

¹⁸Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. ¹⁹And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before God ²⁰whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and God knows everything. ²¹Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; ²²and we receive from God whatever we ask, because we obey the commandments and do what pleases God.

²³And this is God’s commandment, that we should believe in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and love one another, just as Jesus has commanded us. ²⁴All who obey God’s commandments abide in God, and God abides in them. And by this we know that God abides in us, by the Spirit that God has given us.

This is the word of life.

Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation** *Sing twice*

#388

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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* The holy gospel according to John, the 10th chapter.
Glory to you, O God.

***Gospel**

John 10:11-18 (Spark Bible page 436)

Jesus said: I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd is willing to die for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as God knows me and I know God.

And I lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice.

So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

For this reason God loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Abba God.

This is the Good News.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

After the children's sermon, young children may go with the nursery minister to the nursery for children's church time. Or, they are most welcome to stay in the sanctuary. We will welcome them back during the Peace.

Sermon



*Hymn of the Day *“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”* #659

*Prayers of the People (*Each petition will conclude with, “God of grace,” and the congregation responds, “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. Those worshipping online may contribute on our website: <http://oursavioursmples.org>.

***Offertory**

“God Extends an Invitation”

#486



Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la
God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -
a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -
gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



sí es la co - mu - ni - ón; pues a - sí es la co - mu - ni - ón.
feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

***The Great Thanksgiving**

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the living God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right.....

and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus

#191



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Eucharistic Proclamation and Prayer

*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 kin-dom 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 kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

**As part of our unfolding commitment to using inclusive and expansive language for God, this season we are choosing to modify the word 'kingdom' which connotes both maleness and a form of government unfamiliar to most of us. Instead, we will use 'kin-dom' which captures the way Jesus radically redefines family and invites everyone into loving relationship with God and neighbor.*

Invitation to Communion

Distribution

All are welcome at Christ's table. We will serve from the front of each section. Ushers will guide you. After you have received bread, or a gluten free wafer, hold out your glass to the server and indicate whether you would like wine (the dark liquid), or grape juice (the light liquid in the second pitcher which has a shiny band attached to it). You are invited to eat and drink and then deposit your compostable cup with a server. Those who do not commune may indicate a preference for a blessing.

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

#484

“Shepherd Me, O God”

#780



“O Christ, Surround Me”



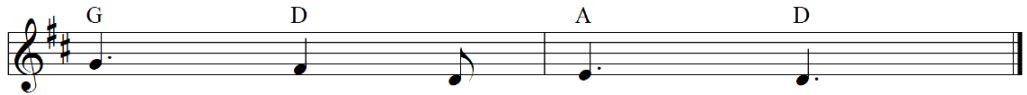
1. God be the love to search and keep me;
 2. Bind to my - self the Name of Ho - ly,
 3. Bright - ness of sun and glow of moon - light,
 4. Walk - ing be - hind to hem my jour - ney,
 5. Christ in the eyes of all who see me,



God, be the prayer to move my voice; God, be the strength to
 great cloud of wit - nes - ses en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles,
 flash - ing of light - ning, strength of wind, depth of the sea to
 go - ing a - head to light my way, and from be - neath, a
 Christ in the hearts who hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of



now up - hold me O Christ, sur - round me,
 an - gels wit - ness.
 sol - id plan - et:
 above and all ways,
 all who know me.



O Christ sur - round me.

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***Blessing**

Sending

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

Announcements

*Blessing

*Sending Song

“The Risen Christ”

#390

*Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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Today's Worship

Ministers:	You!
Presiding:	Esther Sianipar
Preaching:	Winton Boyd
Prayers:	Kristie Hennig
Reader:	Kristie Hennig
Accompanist:	Catherine Preus
Cantor:	Mary Preus, Kathleen Olsen
Livestream:	Jakob Johnson

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 Esther. We call this process: Living Questions

Mission of the month is Reconciling Works and Lutheran Campus Ministry

This week at OSLC:

Wednesday morning bible study for April 24 is at 10:15am on Zoom.
See scheduled readings and zoom link on the website or weekly update.

Choir rehearses at 7pm on Wednesdays from now until May 15
and sings each Sunday thru May 19 (Pentecost) at the 10:30am worship.

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.



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

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