

**May 12, 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 expect that children will behave as children – giggles, wiggles, and all. Kids (and their parents) sometimes need a break. We offer a playground in the sanctuary and also a reading corner in the Hospitality Center where 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 parking is available in the small lot at the back of the church, accessed from the alley and on Chicago Ave. Please note street parking around the church could be limited to residents during certain hours.

**Buses.** The D line runs on Chicago Ave. 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 information call Metro Transit at 612-373-3333 or visit [metrotransit.org](http://metrotransit.org).

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

*On this Easter Sunday, which also happens to be Mother's Day, we focus on love. Not romantic love, but powerful, enduring friendship love that casts out fear. This love comes from God and when we abide in God we abide in that love. Many thanks and much love to the youth of Our Saviour's and their mentors who lead us today in word, song, meal and prayer.*

## 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      ***“Holy River Never Failing”***

*Sing to the tune: Hymn of Joy (Joyful, Joyful)*

1. Holy River never failing, here we stand and look to you.  
Pour your presence now upon us. Come and christen us anew.  
You have named us all your people. You have birthed us as your own.  
You've restored us, wholly family, in your Spirit flowing down.
2. Empty promises divide us. Empty goals stand in our way.  
We renounce the many “isms” that turn “we” to “we and they.”  
We acknowledge our involvement. We have all dividers been.  
Make us healers of division, as your family we defend.
3. Keep us mindful of our oneness in your water's wide embrace.  
Give us eyes to see our kinship everywhere in every face.  
May we learn the way of Jesus, learn to challenge and to serve.  
May we learn to live together, loving all without reserve.

## \*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.*

## Reading

1 John 4:7-21

A reading from first John.

<sup>7</sup>Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

<sup>8</sup>Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

<sup>9</sup>God's love was revealed among us in this way:

God sent into the world God's only Son  
so that we might live through him.

<sup>10</sup>In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us  
and sent the Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

<sup>11</sup>Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love  
one another. <sup>12</sup>No one has ever seen God; if we love one another,  
God lives in us, and God's love is perfected in us.

## Sung response

## God Is Love

God is love. God is love; let us love one an -

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff begins with a G-clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody starts on a whole note chord of G-flat and B-flat, followed by a half note G-flat, a quarter note B-flat, and a quarter note G-flat. The bass staff begins with a C-clef and a key signature of two flats. It features a whole note chord of G-flat and B-flat, followed by a half note G-flat, a quarter note B-flat, and a quarter note G-flat. The lyrics are: "God is love. God is love; let us love one an -".

oth-er as God first loved us. God is love.

The second system of musical notation continues the melody. The treble staff has a half note G-flat, a quarter note B-flat, a quarter note G-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, and a whole note chord of G-flat and B-flat. The bass staff has a half note G-flat, a quarter note B-flat, a quarter note G-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, and a whole note chord of G-flat and B-flat. The lyrics are: "oth-er as God first loved us. God is love."

God is love. God is love.

The third system of musical notation concludes the piece. The treble staff has a half note G-flat, a quarter note B-flat, a quarter note G-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, and a whole note chord of G-flat and B-flat. The bass staff has a half note G-flat, a quarter note B-flat, a quarter note G-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, a half note chord of G-flat and B-flat, and a whole note chord of G-flat and B-flat. The lyrics are: "God is love. God is love."

Text: Mark Mummert, b. 1965, based on 1 John 4:11, 16, 19

Music: GOD IS LOVE, Mark Mummert

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<sup>13</sup>By this we know that we abide in God and God in us, because we have been given of God's own Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>And we have seen and do testify that Abba God has sent the Son as the Savior of the world. <sup>15</sup>God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God.

<sup>16</sup>So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

**\*Sung response** *Please rise.*

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. <sup>17</sup>Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as the Son is, so are we in this world. <sup>18</sup>There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. <sup>19</sup>We love because God first loved us. <sup>20</sup>Those who say, 'I love God,' and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. <sup>21</sup>The commandment we have from God is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

This is the word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Acclamation**

*Sing twice*

**#388**

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

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*Please be seated.*

## 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**      ***“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”***      **#708**

**\*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



*síes la co - mu - ni - ón; pues a - síes 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.**



*it - se - si an - nat, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa!*  
 blood and your bod - y, Je - sus, Lamb of God.  
 Lord, to be with us, Lamb . . of God div - ine.  
 joy of your Spir - it, ev - er - liv - ing Word.

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*“In Christ There is No East or West” #650*

*“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” #742*



**\*Blessing**

# Post Communion Song

# "This Lovely Food"

1. This love - ly food, these love - ly peo - ple,  
 this love - ly ci - ty, — this love - ly earth.  
 There is no space left in our hearts for all our gra - ti - tude.  
 It just keeps spill - ing down the ed - ges of our life to - geth - er. —  
 This wak - ing sky, this an - cient morn - ing, —  
 this sim - ple gar - den, — this fra - grant soil.  
 The Miss - iss - ip - pi of God's love runs through our stor - ies here. —  
 And just keeps spill - ing down the ed - ges of our lives.  
 It just keeps spill - ing down the ed - ges of our life to - geth - er. —

**Chords:** D, Ddim, Em7, A, G, Gm, B9, E7, A7, F#, B, G

# Sending

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

## Announcements

### \*Blessing

### \*Sending Song      *“Holy River Never Failing”*

4. Holy River, flow upon us; come, and green our wilted vines.  
We are thirsting for your justice; now your realm our only wine.  
Give us courage to be faithful. May we know we're not alone.  
Give us joy in our reunion with our siblings finally known.

### \*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                                     |
| Sermon:                  | Clara Owens                                         |
| Children's sermon:       | Khonni !Khabeb, Khenna !Khabeb                      |
| Prayers:                 | Jonathan Sitorus                                    |
| Readers:                 | Khonni !Khabeb, Khenna !Khabeb,<br>Connor Owens     |
| Greeting &<br>Dismissal: | Noah Hill                                           |
| Cover Image:             | Ellis Wangerin                                      |
| Special Music:           | Connor Owens                                        |
| Accompanist:             | Tom Witt                                            |
| Cantor:                  | Mary Preus, Kathleen Olsen                          |
| Livestream:              | Jakob Johnson                                       |
| Special thanks to:       | Patrick Herson and Scottie Osthus,<br>youth mentors |

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 Helping Hands Fund.**

## **This week at OSLC:**

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

Choir rehearses at 7pm on Wednesday, May15 for the last time this season, and sings next Sunday, May 19 (Pentecost) at the 10:30am worship.

### **Hope Academy Parking Ramp available on Sunday mornings**

On Sunday mornings, between 8am and 2pm, you are welcome to park in the Hope Academy parking ramp located on 24th street between Chicago and Park Avenues. Other days of the week parking is available in the ramp from 7am to 11pm. A code is needed to enter and exit the ramp. You can pick up a card with parking information at church or call the church office: 612-871-2967. On Sundays after 2pm you can use the code to exit the ramp.



# 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.*

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