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Welcome to Worship

Third Week of Easter

April 18, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

WE GATHER

The order of worship is set out in this bulletin. The *Pastor/Leader is in italic*, the Congregation responds in parts marked in **bold**. The page and hymn numbers are listed for the Red ELW Hymnal.

Prelude *Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread* John Ross
Cam Green, piano

"Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread" John Ross © 2022 John Ross.

Tolling of the Bell

Welcome / Announcements

Gathering Song *As We Gather at Your Table* ELW 522

- 1 As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.
- 2 Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.
- 3 Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast
where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

"As We Gather at Your Table" Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944 Music:
Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlieties en Contredansen, 1710;
arr. Julius Rontegen, 1855 - 1932. Text © 1989 Hope Publishing Company.

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Invocation

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

And also with you.

Kyrie

Nicholas Davis

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Singing for this holy house and for all who offer praise, voices now we raise;

Let us pray to the Lord

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for our church, and for unity; Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help! Save! Comfort us, oh Lord!

Amen!

"Kyrie" Nicholas Davis © 2026 NSD

Canticle of Praise

Glory to God

ELW p. 167

Refrain *Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.*

1 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

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Prayer of the Day

*Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.*

THE WORD

First Reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

ELW p. 171

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

The gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 24:13-35

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Pastor Elisabeth Pynn Himmelman

Hymn of the Day

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

Helen H. Lemmel

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in his wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
in the light of his glory and grace. *Repeat*

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus" Helen H. Lemmel, 1992. © 1922,
renewed 1950 Singpiration Music.

Apostles' Creed (ELW p. 105)

Please join me in professing our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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 into hell. 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.**

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. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Please be seated.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Impact Talk / Offering Invitation

Music Offering

Sun of My Soul
Cam Green, piano

arr. Rachel Steffensmeier

"Sun of My Soul" arr. Rachel Steffensmeier © 2012 Rachel Steffensmeier.

Offertory

We Are an Offering

ELW 692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,
Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be,
we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering, we are an offering.

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Offering Prayer

THE MEAL

Great Thanksgiving (sung responsively)

hymnal p. 206

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.

All sing

Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW p. 173

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is 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.**

Communion Hymn

Come, Let Us Eat

ELW 491

- 1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
Our Lord's body let us take together,
our Lord's body let us take together.
- 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.
- 3 In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,
in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest.
In the presence of our Lord we gather,
in the presence of our Lord we gather.
- 4 Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,
rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word.
Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,
Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

"Come, Let Us Eat" Text: Billema Kwilla, b. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt. Music: Billema Kwilla, adapt. Text sts. 1-3 and tune © Lutheran World Federation; text st. 4 and adapt. © 1972 Contemporary Worship 4, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

Prayer after Communion

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Responsive Sending

People of God, we are called into Life Together...
Rooted in Christ, growing in grace, connected in love.
Just like the early church, we gather with purpose...
Devoted to prayer, to fellowship, and to the breaking of bread.
We are not church alone—we are church together...
Called to show up, speak truth, and share burdens.
The Spirit forms us into a community of care...
Where generosity flows, and no one is forgotten.
In every act of love, every table shared, every name remembered...
Christ is made known among us.
So go now—renewed in connection, bold in faith, alive in hope...
To live *Life Together*, to *Know Jesus*, and *Make Jesus Known*. Amen.

Blessing

*God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.*

Sending Song

Because He Lives

Gaither

- 1 God sent His Son, they called him Jesus; he came to love, heal, and forgive;
he lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Chorus

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow;
because he lives, all fear is gone;
because I know he holds the future,
and life is worth the living
just because He lives.

- 3 And then one day I'll cross that river; I'll fight life's final war with pain;
and then as death gives way to vict'ry, I'll see the lights of glory
And I'll know he reigns. *Chorus*

Because He Lives | Gloria Gaither, William J. Gaither | © 1971 Hanna Street Music.

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. We will!

Postlude

Abide With Me
Cam Green, piano

arr. Phillip Keveren

"Abide With Me" arr. Phillip Keveren © 2011 Hal Leonard.

Thank you to all who gave of their time to plan, serve, and participate in today's worship.

This Week in Prayers:

We continue to pray for Tom Williams and those named silently in our hearts.

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Worship Service Opportunities

- Our Saviour's Campus, Traditional Worship, Saturday, 5:00 pm Sunday, 9:00 am
Blended Sunday, 11:00 am
- Celebration Campus, Contemporary Sunday, 10:00 am

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Holy Communion is offered weekly at all worship services, and all are welcome to receive it.

You will receive a wafer, which can be dipped into the divided chalice. The red is wine, and the white is grape juice. Gluten-free options are available at all stations. When present, a prayer minister, wearing a cross on a red ribbon, is located at the back of the worship space.

Interested in learning more about membership?

Membership at Our Saviour's is focused on relationships. To learn more about membership, visit www.oursaviours.com, email membership@oursaviours.com, or contact the main office at 630-355-2522.

Upcoming Events

Information for groups and events, as well as registration links, can be found on the Home menu, News & Events page of our website at <https://oursaviours.com/home/news-events>.

Upcoming special events & opportunities!

- **Dialogues in Faith: Starting on April 12**, DIF will launch a four-week book series on "Miracles and Wonder: The Historical Mystery of Jesus," by Elaine Pagels. Explore some of the major questions around Jesus with us! You are invited whether or not you've read the book.
- **Art Gallery Q&A: Sunday, April 19, 10:15-11:15 am**. Come meet our exhibiting artist/photographer, Craig Pynn, in the OSLC Art Gallery.
- Wednesday, April 22, Pastor Elisabeth and Diane Griesbach, Life Events Coordinator, will lead a **Funeral Planning workshop** at 6:30 pm in the Advent Room. Making plans for your funeral is a gift to your family and will help reduce stress for them.
- **Women's Ministry Tea Party "Sipping on Serenity"**, Saturday, Apr 25, from 11 - 1 p.m., Fellowship Center. Come celebrate the beauty and grace of womanhood at our charming gathering. The cost is \$30. Attire: Feel free to wear your favorite hat, Easter Bonnet, or fascinator. Pay at the door or on Realm. We will have door prizes, plant donations, and photos taken.
- **Holden Village Evening Prayer** Event: Tuesday, April 28, 7 pm, Our Saviour's Campus. Virtual viewing party, join congregations worldwide for a special celebration of the Holden Evening Prayer. Together, we'll share in this beloved service, uniting in prayer, music, and reflection. Come be a part of this meaningful evening and experience the beauty of a shared tradition.
- **Just Move Workshop & Lunch (all ages)**, Sunday, May 3, from noon - 1:30 pm Our Saviour's Campus. Working toward racial justice through music, storytelling, and honest conversation with David Scherer. See the website for more information.
- **Plant Sale**: pickup *Saturday, May 9*, from 10 am to 2 pm, Our Saviour's Campus.
- **Held by Grace**, a wellness gathering for moms of all ages. *Saturday, May 9*, from 2 - 5 pm. See our website for more information and to register.
- **VBS - JUST LIKE ME**: An inclusive, 5-day experience for pre-K through 5th grade! Will take place *June 22-26, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.* VBS Sunday at Celebration during the 10 a.m. service on June 28. Picnic lunch and games to follow! Register to volunteer and/or participate on the website's News & Events Page.

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