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Welcome to Worship

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER

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

Prelude

Sonata in G minor, 2. Allegro
Saxophone Ensemble

arr. K. Abeling

"Sonata in G minor, 2. Allegro" Benedetto Marcello; arranged by
Kenneth Abeling. © Lincoln Music Publications.

Tolling of the Bell

Welcome / Announcements

Gathering Song

I Will Enter His Gates

Leona Von Brethorst

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter His courts with praise.
I will say, "This is the day that the Lord has made,"
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad, He has made me glad,
I will rejoice, for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad, He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad. *Repeat all*

"I Will Enter His Gates" Leona Von Brethorst © 1976 Maranatha
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Baptism

Sophie Mae Fowler

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

L: *In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: *Singing for this holy house and for all who offer praise, voices now we raise;
Let us pray to the Lord*

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: *Help! Save! Comfort us, oh Lord!*

C: 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**Special Music**

King of Kings
 Bach Ringers

Robert J. Ward

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 Directors.

THE WORD**First Reading**

Psalm 16

L: The word of the Lord
 C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation*Alleluia*

ELW p. 151

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

The Holy Gospel

P: *The Gospel according to John.*

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 20:19-31

P: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message

Pastor Brian Wise

Hymn of the Day*We Walk by Faith*

ELW 635

- 1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near,
 O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
- 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor follow where you trod;
 but in your promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound
 to call on you when you are near and seek where you are found:
- 4 For you, O resurrected Lord, are found in means divine:
 beneath the water and the word, beneath the bread and wine.
- 5 And when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light
 we may behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

"We Walk by Faith" Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt. Music: Marty
 Haugen, b. 1950. Music © 1984 GIA Publications, Inc.

Apostles' Creed (ELW p. 105)

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

C: **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

L: *Merciful God,*

C: receive our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

L: *The peace of Christ be with you always.*

C: **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Impact Talk / Offering Invitation

Music Offering

Sonata in F Major, 1. Largo
Saxophone Ensemble

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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 - setting 6

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

P: *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.

Meditation Music

Sonata in G minor, 1. Adagio
Saxophone Ensemble

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Prayer after Communion

WE ARE SENT

Responsive Sending

P: *People of God, we are called into Life Together...*

C: Rooted in Christ, growing in grace, connected in love.

P: *Just like the early church, we gather with purpose...*

C: Devoted to prayer, to fellowship, and to the breaking of bread.

P: *We are not church alone—we are church together...*

C: Called to show up, speak truth, and share burdens.

P: *The Spirit forms us into a community of care...*

C: Where generosity flows, and no one is forgotten.

P: *In every act of love, every table shared, every name remembered...*

C: Christ is made known among us.

P: *So go now—renewed in connection, bold in faith, alive in hope...*

C: To live *Life Together*, to *Know Jesus*, and *Make Jesus Known*. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Song

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

ELW 772

- 1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

- 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839-1929; Music: Anthony J. Showalter, 1858-1924.

Dismissal

L: *Alleluia! Christ is risen.*

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

L: *Go in peace, serve the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God. We will!

Postlude

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

Saxophone Ensemble Ken Abeling, Marty Rench, Chris Gere, Karlee Van Klay

This Week in Prayers:

As we celebrate with those graduating this season, give them courage, hope, and strength as they take the next faithful step in their life journey. Guide them in prayerful gratitude for the many blessings that have made this moment real, and may your grace and love be made manifest in the ways they make a difference in the world.

We continue to pray for Greg Norgaard, Cindy Halgrimson Waltzer, and those named silently in our hearts.

We comfort the family of Nancy Sayer as they mourn the death of her mother, Norma Prochaska.

We lift the Wills and the Audlee families as they mourn the death of John Audlee, Sr.

We rejoice at the baptism of Sophie Mae Fowler, daughter of Jennifer and Dalton Fowler. And with Sam and Shannon Norgaard at the birth of their son, Weston Alan Norgaard, proud grandparents are Janine and Greg Norgaard.

Congratulations to all our 2026 graduates and those honored during the 10:00 am worship!

Luke Adeli	Doug Hacker	Berit Mores
Bridget Battaglia	Collin Hay	Josiah Nothacker
Ennette Bednarz	Madeline Hay	Ella Sauri
Tabbi Bollendorf	Isabel Herscher	Emily Schnell
Zach Brabilla	TJ Hillman	Eileen Schuler
Emma Doyle	Gretchen Kallstrand	Brayden Tritt
Macy Fults	Paige Leppell	Cooper Van Kley
Lily Griffith	Samantha Michael	Brody Wozniak

Special thanks to our high school mentors:

Matt Cassity, Scott & Doreen Damge, Dawn Eickenberg, and B.J. Okel

Thank you to our beloved Karen (Kiki) Lindflott for her gift of leadership & ministry poured into the class of 2026 and to our Children, Youth & Family Ministries Director, Brittany Sheldon.

We also thank Jill Ryan and her crew for lovingly making the Baccalaureate Blankets and all the generous individuals who donated food for our Baccalaureate reception.

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Pastor Ben Sloss, pastorben@oursaviours.com
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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

Ways to Give: Offering plate

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Holy Communion is offered weekly at all worship services, and all are welcome to receive it. Communion is by intinction (dipping the bread/wafer). We offer wine (red) and grape juice (white), gluten-free at every station. If you like private prayer, please visit our prayer minister in the back; you can find them by the cross on a red ribbon around their neck.

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 and speak with Pastor Ben.

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: <https://oursaviours.com/home/news-events>.

- **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.

- **Baby Care Ministry: Quilt Raffle**, with a beautiful, handcrafted quilt ready to find its new home. Raffle tickets will be available (\$5/ticket, \$20/5 tickets) on Sunday, April 26, and May 10 at the Our Saviour's Campus, and Sunday, May 3, at Celebration. Drawing to be held Sunday, May 10 (Mother's Day).
- **Support the Dusek School & Childcare Center in Ibanda, Uganda:** *Sunday, April 26*, at both campuses. Now serving over 1,300 students and growing! We're raising funds to complete a new three-story student building, expand classroom space, and add a library, computer lab, kitchen, and housing for exam-prep students. Donations will help purchase essential materials, such as concrete and rebar, ahead of the dry construction season. Stop by our table to learn more, support the project, and enjoy a sample of fresh Ugandan coffee, available for purchase.
- **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.
- **Braver Angels Workshop:** *Saturday, May 2, 9 am -11 am*, the Our Saviour's Campus. A free, in-person "Skills for Disagreeing Better" workshop that teaches practical ways to navigate political and personal disagreements with understanding, strong listening, and respectful communication. Steve Spayer, John Hildner, and Jim Bono would like to personally invite you to attend! Register on our website.
- **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.
- **Versiti Blood Drive**, Our Saviour's Campus, *Tuesday, May 12*, from Noon to 4:30 pm. Register on our website - walk-ins welcome.
- **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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