

Lutheran Church   
**OUR SAVIOURS**

**Welcome to Worship April 14, 2024**

**Worship Times: Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun, 9:00 am, 11:00 am**

**GATHERING**

**Prelude**                    *There is a Redeemer with I Know That My Redeemer Lives* arr. Lloyd Larson  
Nicholas Davis, piano

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**Tolling of the Bell / Welcome / Announcements**

**\*Gathering Song**                    *Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!*                    ELW #377

1    Alleluia! Jesus is risen!  
      Trumpets resounding in glorious light!  
      Splendor, the Lamb, heaven forever!  
      Oh, what a miracle God has in sight!

Refrain    Jesus is risen and we shall arise.  
              Give God the glory! Alleluia!

4    Weeping, be gone; sorrow, be silent:  
      death put asunder, and Easter is bright.  
      Cherubim sing: O grave, be open!  
      Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. Refrain

5    City of God, Easter forever,  
      golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
      river of life, saints and archangels,  
      sing with creation to God the I AM! Refrain

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**\*Invocation**

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

**C:**    **And also with you.**

**\*Kyrie (ELW p. 147) to be sung**                    setting 4

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

**C:**    **Lord, have mercy.**

**L:**    For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C:**    **Lord, have mercy.**

**L:**    For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,  
      and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C:**    **Lord, have mercy.**

**L:**    For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
      let us pray to the Lord.

\* Indicates to stand as you are able.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

**L:** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

**\*Canticle of Praise** (*This Is the Feast* ELW p. 149)

*Refrain* This is the Feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God.  
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,  
and honor and blessing and glory are his. *Refrain*

2 Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:  
Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb  
forever. Amen.

**Final** This is the feast of victory for our God,  
for the Lamb who was slain  
has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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**\*Prayer of the Day**

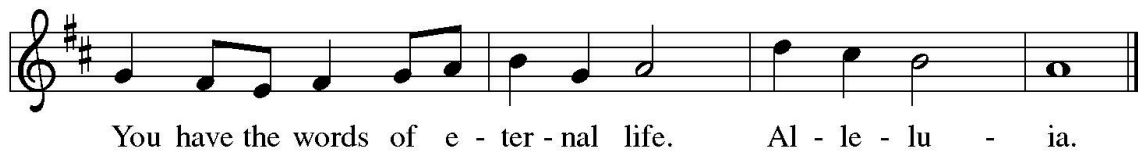
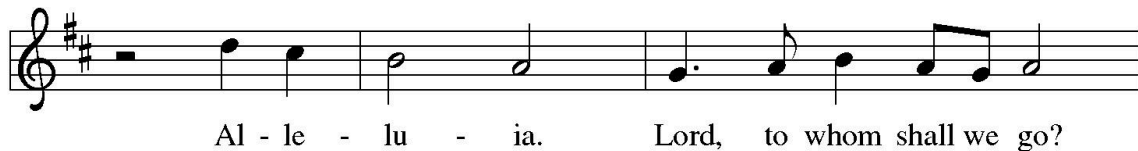
**WORD**

**First Reading**

1 John 3:1-7

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

**\*Gospel Acclamation** (setting 4, ELW pg. 151)



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**\*Gospel - Pastor**

Luke 24: 36b-48

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

**Message**

Pastor Ben Sloss

**\*Hymn of the Day**

*With High Delight Let Us Unite*

ELW #368

1 With high delight let us unite  
in songs of sweet jubilation.  
You pure in heart, all bear your part,  
sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.

To set us free forever, he  
is ris'n and sends to all earth's ends  
good news to save ev'ry nation.

- 2 True God, he first from death has burst  
forth into life, all subduing.  
His enemy now vanquished see;  
his death has been death's undoing.  
"And yours shall be like victory  
o'er death and grave," says he, who gave  
his life for us, life renewing.
- 3 Let praises ring; give thanks, and bring  
to Christ our Lord adoration.  
His honor speed by word and deed  
to ev'ry land, ev'ry nation.  
So shall his love give us above,  
from misery and death set free,  
all joy and full consolation.

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### **\*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: God of grace, **C: hear our prayer.**

In our prayers this week,

We comfort the grieving: Jacqueline Edfors and family at the death of her  
husband Hugh.

We continue to pray for: Bill Caldwell, John Holland, Holly McKinney, and  
Raymond Lauer.

We rejoice with Alessandra Elizabeth Boesso at her baptism.

### **\*Sharing of the Peace**

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## Impact Talk

We're excited to launch a new 3-week discussion series we're calling **Courageous Conversations**, where we'll gather on Wednesdays at Celebration, starting April 17 for a light dinner and conversation about important and timely topics. The series begins with Our Saviour's mission partner *Bright Stars of Bethlehem*. You're invited to join us starting at **5:30** that evening; we'll eat together and have a chance to learn more about Bright Stars' work serving students in the occupied West Bank and Gaza.

### Offering Invitation

*Ways to give:* offering plate, QR code to the right, visit [oursaviours.com/donate](https://oursaviours.com/donate), or text OSCLNaper to 73256



### Anthem

Lord of the Dance  
Sanctuary Choir

setting John Rutter

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### \*Offertory

*Let the Vineyards*

Cartford/Arthur

Let the vineyards be fruitful Lord,  
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown  
that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;  
Grace our table with your presence and give us a foretaste,  
a foretaste of the feast to come.

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### \*Offering Prayer

#### \*Great Thanksgiving (ELW p. 152, setting 4) *(sung responsively)*

L: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you**  
L: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**  
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...  
*with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,*  
*we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

**\*All sing** (ELW p. 153) 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 / Communion Instructions

### Distribution Song *Lamb of God* (ELW p.154, **setting 4**)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

### Communion Meditation

Nicholas Davis, piano

## \*Prayer after Communion

### SENDING

#### \*Benediction - Pastor

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy,  
and the Spirit of Easter hope ✝ bless you now and always.  
**Amen.**

#### \*Sending Song

*Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

ELW #674

1 Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

2 Christ is able to make us one,  
at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless,  
love in word and in deed express. Refrain

3 Jesus calls us in, sends us out  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere! Refrain

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#### \*Dismissal

L: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

**C: Thanks be to God. We will!**

#### Postlude

*Postlude on "Maccabeus"*  
Nicholas Davis, organ

arr. Jason D. Payne

Postlude on "Maccabeus" George Frideric Handel; arranged by Jason D. Payne. © 2018 Lorenz Publishing Co.

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### Worship Service Opportunities

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

### Holy Communion

Is offered weekly at all worship services. You will receive a wafer and lightly dip it into the wine/juice. A gluten-free option is available. If you'd like to come up for just a blessing simply place your arms across your chest. All who believe are welcome.

### Interested in Learning More About Membership?

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

### Upcoming Events

- **Dialogues in Faith new series starting April 14**, a four-week discussion series on the ELCA value statements. Learn a little more about what the church stands for and how we can work together to live into it. Dialogues in Faith meets Sunday mornings at 10:15 a.m. in the Advent Room on Our Saviour's campus
- **Portillo's fundraiser for Haiti Scholars** will take place Thursday, April 18, from 5-8 p.m. at the Portillo's at 950 E. Ogden Ave. in Naperville. Mention the fundraiser at the restaurant or use code PORTILLOS10 if ordering online.
- **Women's Ministry's Annual Spring Tea** will be on Saturday, April 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Fellowship Center on the Our Saviour's Campus. Guests are welcome; to purchase tickets in advance check at the church welcome desk or on our website.
- Tickets are now available for the *Slovakia Ministry's Slovakia Dinner* on Saturday, April 27, at Celebration! Join us in an evening with our friends Bohdan and Adrian from the Center for Christian Education in Martin, Slovakia, starting at 6 p.m. *Purchase tickets online on our website by April 21.*
- **Confirmation Sunday** is May 5, 2024, during the 9:00 am worship service.
- **Baccalaureate** students will be celebrated during the 9:00 am worship service on Sunday, May 12.
- The **Banned Books Group** will next meet on Monday, May 13, to discuss "The Sun Does Shine" by Anthony Hinton, an autobiographical look at incarceration. Questions? Please contact Ann Ahlman at [ann.ahlman@gmail.com](mailto:ann.ahlman@gmail.com).
- On Saturday, May 18, Our Saviour's will host the **Metro Chicago Synod's Lay Leadership Day**. You're invited to attend this half-day event on the OS Campus, which will feature a keynote address and workshops on climate justice, church governance, motivating volunteers, and more. The event (9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.) will include a boxed lunch. Registration is \$10; sign up
- **SCUBA VBS** happening June 24-27 on the Our Saviour's Campus, Registration is *now open*. Contact Kim Walker with questions. Volunteers needed.