

# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, April 19, 2026**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**8:30 AM**

**PRELUDE**

**Pianist: Sarah Lovas**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN: "All Are Welcome"**

**ELW 641**

*1) Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:*

**Refrain:** *All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

*2) Let us build a house where prophets speak and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: (Refrain)*

*3) Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: (Refrain)*

*4) Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: (Refrain)*

*5) Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: (Refrain)*

**BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L (Leader); C (Congregation)

**L:** In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

L: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen**

## **GREETING**

L: 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.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"**

**ELW 779**

*1) Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.*

*2) 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!*

*3) Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.*

*4) The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.*

*5) When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.*

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: God who calls us into service,

**C: Transform us as you transformed Paul. Shape us into children who rejoice in knowing and proclaiming you to the world. Amen.**

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-2**

But now thus says the LORD,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name; you are mine.

<sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.

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

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SONG for the WORD:** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

**ELW 836 V. 1**

*Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.*

**WORD of the DAY: Acts 9:1-19a** "The Conversion of Saul"

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup> He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" <sup>5</sup> He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup> But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." <sup>7</sup> The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. <sup>8</sup> Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup> For three days he was without sight and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup> Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup> The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, <sup>12</sup> and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup> But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem,

<sup>14</sup> and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.”  
<sup>15</sup> But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; <sup>16</sup> I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.” <sup>17</sup> So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” <sup>18</sup> And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, <sup>19</sup> and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus,

L: The word of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## MESSAGE

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** “Just As I Am, without One Plea”

**ELW 592**

*1) Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*2) Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*3) Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*4) Just as I am; thy love unknown has broken ev'ry barrier down; now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

## 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.**

**PRAYER SONG:** “Spirit of Gentleness”

**ELW 396 (Refrain only)**

*Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;*

*Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

(Repeat Prayer Song)

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

**OFFERING / OFFERTORY:** "Take My Life, That I May Be"

ELW 685 V. 1

*Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;  
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *ELW p. 154*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN:** "Here I Am, Lord"

**ELW 574**

1) *"I the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"*

**Refrain:** *Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.*

2) *"I the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" (Refrain)*

3) *"I the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?" (Refrain)*

## BLESSING / THREE BELLS

### DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Helping people experience the Love of God.**

## POSTLUDE

# *O Lord, Hear Our Prayers*

## **Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...**

The people of Our Savior's

Those celebrating birthdays today:

## **God's Healing Presence for...**

Aleisha Lokken	Bev Mooney
Glenn Brustad	Steven Madsen
Bill Cotton	Sharon Doeden
Jeanie Swenson	Alexis Holte (Chris & Amy Redland's niece)
Bonnie Spicer	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Becky Foss	Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)
Mya Oelrich	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Dan Bjorklund	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Jerry Boeddeker	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Bryan Mueller	Marta Datsik (Exchange Student-Ukraine)
Deb Kritzberger	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Carol Christianson	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Susie Anderson	Karen Morlock (Eunice Morlock's niece)
Charlie Anderson	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)

**Safety for those serving in the Military...** especially those serving in combat areas:

**Our Sympathy to...** Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

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**LECTOR:** (8:30) Rita Fandrich

**HEAD USHERS:** (8:30) Glen Hultin (10:30) Katie and Levi Reese

**ACOLYTES:** (8:30) Mason Stauss, Eli Thompson (10:30) Andrew Axness, Bergen Beach

**ATTENDANCE:** April 12, 2026 – 51 (8:30); 87 (10:30)

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** April 12, 2026: \$5,235.00; April to date: \$17,770.00.

Income through Mar. 31, 2026: \$114,442.84; Expenses through Mar. 31, 2026:

\$102,010.12 Income less Expense: \$12,432.72

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

*W.O.W. (Women of the Word) Bible Study* has finished their study of "Finding Jesus in the Psalms". They will begin a new study called "Signs and Wonders: A Beginner's Guide to the Miracles of Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levine. Chapter topics include (6 sessions): "Take up your pallet and walk" (the paralyzed man); Walking on water and stilling the storm; The feeding of the 5,000 (or more); On the role of caregivers A bleeding woman and a dead girl; A two-stage miracle, and The raising of Lazarus. They meet on Mondays at 9 AM in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor lounge at OSLC. Welcome to all! Senora Almquist, Leader

**THANK YOU:** *A big thank you to all who contributed to our request for donations for delivery of quilts and kits. We received over \$400 and are still receiving donations. This will deliver many items for Lutheran World Relief.*

**SUNDAY, MAY 3<sup>RD</sup>** - is the LAST day of Sunday School. Three-year-olds through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will celebrate their milestone achievements during the 10:30am worship service. All are welcome and invited to celebrate with them!

**A WAFFLE BAR & EGG BAKE** will take place **on Sunday, May 3 from 9-12:30pm** at Our Savior's Church. All are invited to this community meal! Proceeds will go to the youth summer mission trip.

The **Health Ministry Committee** is here to support the health and well-being of our church family. If you or a loved one need guidance, resources, prayer, or a listening ear, please know you're not alone. We are happy to help in any way we can. Please contact the church office for any requests or needs.

~Brenda Stallman, Krista Longthorne, Chrissy Torgerson, Maggie Wilson  
and Katie Reese

**HILLSBORO KIWANIS FOOD PANTRY**, at the Hillsboro Armory, is open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month from 4-6pm. You can place item donations in the wood crate located inside and to the west of the front door at OSLC. If you have any questions, please contact Rich G. at 701-436-5777 or Dan C. at 701-430-1595.

**Item donations needed include:** Canned fruit -all flavors; Pasta -all kinds; Cans of *Chef Boyardee* ravioli & spaghetti; Cereal; *Stove-Top* stuffing mix; Boxes of *Hamburger Helper*; Juice -all flavors; Canned: Tuna, Beef & Beef stew; Crackers -assorted; Canned green beans & peas; *Ramen* noodles; Cake Mixes; Jelly -all flavors; Ketchup; Jell-O and Pudding; Laundry and Dish Soap; Toiletry items: Body Wash, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste, Toilet paper, Paper towels, Kleenex, Napkins.

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE:**

### **Sunday, April 19**

8:30am Traditional Worship Service  
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Contemporary Worship Svc  
4:30pm BIO Girls meet  
7:00pm AA Meeting

### **Monday, April 20**

9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study  
Steeple Talk news due for May!

### **Tuesday, April 21**

7:00am Text Bible Study  
at Hillsboro Café

### **Wednesday, April 22**

7:00am Men's Bible Study  
at Hillsboro Café

### **Thursday, April 23**

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

### **Sunday, April 26**

8:30am Traditional Worship Service  
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Contemporary Worship Svc  
4:30pm BIO Girls meet  
7:00pm AA Meeting



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### **Usher Scheduling for 10:30am Sunday services:**

We are still looking for volunteers to help with USHERING at the 10:30 AM service. Mike Tweten has set up a 'Sign-Up Genius' link where you can see available dates and sign-up. If you have any questions or can sign-up to volunteer, please scan the QR code on the left.