

# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Pastor Joe Johnson**

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**Sunday, April 26, 2026**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**10:30 AM**

**PRELUDE**

**THE FIRE**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING SONG:** "Here I Am to Worship"

*Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.*

**Refrain:** *Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

*King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above. Humbly You came to the Earth You created, all for love's sake became poor. (Refrain)*

*And I'll never know how much it cost; To see my sin upon that cross.  
I'll never know how much it cost; To see my sin upon that cross. (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.**

**SONG OF PRAISE:** “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

*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.*

*‘Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear, and Grace my fears relieved.*

*How precious did that Grace appear, the hour I first believed.*

**Refrain:** *My chains are gone, I’ve been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, Amazing Grace.*

*The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures.*

*He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures. (Refrain 2X)*

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: God of freedom,

**C: Paul and Silas worshiped you, even when they were flogged and imprisoned. Transform our hearts so that we may also rejoice in you at all times and in all situations. Amen.**

### **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SONG for the WORD:** “Word of God Speak”

*Word of God, speak. Would You pour down like rain, Washing my eyes to see, Your majesty, To be still and know, That You’re in this place? Please let me stay and rest, In Your holiness, Word of God, speak.*

## **WORD of the DAY: Acts 16:16-34 “Paul and Silas in Prison”**

<sup>16</sup> One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup> While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, “These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation.” <sup>18</sup> She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And it came out that very hour.

<sup>19</sup> But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup> When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, “These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city <sup>21</sup> and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe.” <sup>22</sup> The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup> After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup> Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup> About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup> When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted in a loud voice, “Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.” <sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup> Then he brought them outside and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” <sup>31</sup> They answered, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” <sup>32</sup> They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup> At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup> He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

## **MESSAGE**

### **SONG OF THE DAY:** “Chain Breaker”

*If you’ve been walking the same old road for miles and miles, If you’ve been hearing the same old voice tell the same old lies, If you’re trying to fill the same old holes inside, There’s a better life, there’s better life.*

**Chorus:** *If you’ve got pain, He’s a pain taker. If you feel lost, He’s a way maker. If you need freedom or saving, He’s a prison shaking Savior. If you’ve got chains, He’s a chain breaker.*

*We’ve all searched for the light of day in the dead of night. We’ve all found ourselves worn out from the same old fight. And we’ve all run to things we know just ain’t right. And there’s a better life, there’s a better life. (Chorus)*

*If you believe it, if you receive it, if you can feel it, somebody testify.  
If you believe it, if you receive it, if you can feel it, somebody testify, testify.  
If you believe it, if you receive it, if you can feel it, somebody testify.  
If you've got pain, He's a pain taker. If you feel lost, He's a way maker.  
If you need freedom or saving, He's a prison shaking Savior. If you've got chains, He's a chain breaker. Oh, if you need freedom or saving, He's a prison shaking Savior.  
If you've got chains, He's a chain breaker.*

## **HOLY BAPTISM**

ELW p. 227

*Baptized today is Ari Lynn Nygaard, daughter of Brady and Shayla Nygaard.  
Ari was born on January 20, 2026 in Fargo, ND. Her Godparents are Chase Fossum,  
Jensyn Zink, and Miranda Petersen.*

## **PRESENTATION**

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH:**

**L:** Do you believe in God the Father?

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

**L:** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C:** **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 to the dead.**

**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.**

**L:** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C:** **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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT / BAPTISM**

### **WELCOME:**

**L:** Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C:** **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

### **PRAYER SONG: "In Jesus' Name"**

*I speak the name of Jesus over you. In your hurting, in your sorrow I will ask my God to move. I speak the name 'cause it's all that I can do. In desperation, I'll seek heaven, and pray this for you. I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change.*

*I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**L:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer.

### **PRAYER SONG:** "In Jesus' Name" continued

*I speak the name of all authority, Declaring blessings, ev'ry promise He is faithful to keep. I speak the name no grave could ever hold. He is greater, He is stronger, He's the God of possible.*

**Refrain:** *I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.*

*Come believe it, come receive it. Oh, the power of His Spirit is now forever yours. Come believe it, come receive it. In the mighty name of Jesus, all things are possible. (Refrain)*

*I pray for revival, for restoration of faith.*

*I pray that the dead will come to life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.*

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

### **OFFERING**

"Redeemed" by THE FIRE

### **OFFERTORY:** "Multiplied" Chorus

*God of mercy, sweet love of mine, I have surrendered to Your design.*

*May this offering stretch across the skies, and these hallelujahs be multiplied.*

### **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 SONG:** "Flawless"

*There's got to be more than going back and forth, from doing right to doing wrong 'Cause we were taught that's who we are, come on get in line right behind me, You along with everybody thinking there's worth in what you do, Then like a hero who takes the stage when we're on the edge of our seats saying it's too late. Well let me introduce you to amazing grace.*

*No matter the bumps, No matter the bruises, No matter the scars, Still the truth is The cross has made, the cross has made you flawless. No matter the hurt, or how deep the wound is, No matter the pain, Still the truth is The cross has made, the cross has made you flawless*

*Could it possibly be that we simply can't believe that this unconditional kind of love would be enough to take a filthy wretch like this and wrap him up in righteousness, but that's exactly what He did. Take a breath smile and say, Right here right now I'm ok because the cross was enough. Then like a hero who takes the stage when we're on the edge of our seats saying it's too late. Well let me introduce you to grace, grace, God's grace. No matter what they say or what you think you are, The day you called His name, He made you flawless*

## **BLESSING / THREE BELLS**

## **DISMISSAL / POSTLUDE**

**L:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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

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## *O Lord, Hear Our Prayers*

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

The people of Our Savior's

Those celebrating birthdays today: Millie Opp

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

Kevin Weller

Aleisha Lokken

Glenn Brustad

Bill Cotton

Jeanie Swenson

Bonnie Spicer

Becky Foss

Mya Oelrich

Dan Bjorklund

Clarice Satrom

Vicki Dahlstrom

Jerry Boeddeker

Bryan Mueller

Deb Kritzberger

Carol Christianson

Susie Anderson

Charlie Anderson

Bev Mooney

Steven Madsen

Sharon Doeden

Alexis Holte (Chris & Amy Redland's niece)

Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)

Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)

Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)

Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)

Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)

Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)

Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)

Marta Datsik (Exchange Student-Ukraine)

Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)

Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)

Karen Morlock (Eunice Morlock's niece)

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:

**SENIOR PASTOR:** Pastor Joe Johnson, 701-430-3787

**EDUCATION PASTOR:** Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

**VISITATION MINISTER:** Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

**HEAD USHERS:** (8:30) Peter Lovas (10:30) Katie and Levi Reese

**ACOLYTES:** (8:30) Logan Burger, Charleigh Ferguson (10:30) Abigail Haisley, Paxton Hinkle

**ATTENDANCE:** April 19, 2026 – 59 (8:30); 98 (10:30)

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** April 19, 2026: \$2,288.55; April to date: \$20,058.55.

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

**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.

**BACCALAUREATE** is a community worship service to honor the graduating seniors. This year Baccalaureate will be held on **Wednesday, May 13, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church**, 503 3<sup>rd</sup> St SE, Hillsboro. All are welcome and invited to attend!

**OSLC RECOGNITION SUNDAY:** We will be recognizing all Our Savior's graduating seniors on **Sunday, May 17** during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. All are invited for **Cake & Coffee** during the 9:30 a.m. fellowship hour prior to that service. Congrats Class of 2026!!

**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.

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, Joy McSparron and Katie Reese

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

### **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

### **Monday, April 27**

Meal Delivery Week  
(Volunteer Appreciation gifts from Valley Sr. Services are at the church for you to pick-up)  
9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study

### **Tuesday, April 28**

7:00am Text Bible Study  
at Hillsboro Café

### **Wednesday, April 29**

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

### **Thursday, April 30**

10:45am Worship Service at HMC

### **Sunday, May 3**

Communion Sunday  
8:30am Traditional Worship Service  
9-12:30pm Waffle Bar & Egg Bake  
9:30am Sunday School (last day)  
10:30am Worship Svc with Sunday school students  
4:30pm BIO Girls meet  
7:00pm AA Meeting



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