

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Ash Wednesday

The Ash Wednesday liturgy reflects the austerity of the Lenten season. All that is non-essential, all that is elaborate, is removed as a visible sign of our repentance and our return to the mercy and love of God. We wear the ashes as an outward and public sign of that repentance. This marks the beginning of a penitential discipline which continues throughout this season of Lent.

Gathering Prayer

please stand if you are able

Ash Wednesday February 18, 2026 Welcome !

It is wonderful to worship with you today !

All are welcome regardless of church affiliation – or no church affiliation – faith tradition – or no faith tradition. And we mean all ! Brown, Black, White, Yellow, young, old, single, married, divorced, gay, straight, republican, democrat, crying babies and screaming toddlers – whatever you are – you will be welcome here. No matter your gifts, abilities or struggles.

All parts of today's worship service are printed in this service bulletin.

Restrooms can be found downstairs.

Feel free to take pictures, videos, post to social media, even during worship - it's OK ! We love sharing God's word and hope you will too !

Parents with small children are welcome to use the church entryway area (through the glass doors) for quiet time. There is a changing table in the Women's bathroom.

Gathering Hymn

- 1. Arise, your light has come!
The Spirit's call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God
Which shines on you today.**
- 2. Arise, your light has come!
Fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captive's liberty,
Good tidings to the poor.**
- 3. Arise, your light has come!
All you in sorrow born,
Bind up the broken-hearted ones
And comfort those who mourn.**
- 4. Arise, your light has come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing,
God's pow'r will make us strong.**

Brief Order For Confession and Forgiveness

please remain standing

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Pastor: Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, let us now draw near to God in humility and confidence, confessing our sin.

If you are able, please kneel or you may sit

Pastor: God of grace and truth,

All: **We confess that we have not lived as the body of Christ in the world. We have veiled our hearts from your light. We have resisted your call to follow. We have failed to proclaim your mercy. Forgive us for the sake of Christ, heal us with your abundant grace, and help us walk as children of the light.**

please remain kneeling

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ came among us to proclaim release to the captives, to let the oppressed go free. Today the promise is fulfilled: God forgives you all your sins. May the Holy Spirit strengthen you to follow Christ in newness of life.

All: **Amen**

Greeting

please stand if you are able

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

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray . . . Gracious God, out of your love and mercy you breathed into dust the breath of life, creating us to serve you and our neighbors. Call forth our prayers and acts of kindness, and strengthen us to face our mortality with confidence in the mercy of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen**

Hymn of Praise

**1. Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
we are goin' to see the King!**

**2. No more cryin' there we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there we are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
we are goin' to see the King!**

repeat verse 1

please be seated

The Ministry Of The Word

The First Reading taken from the Book of Joel, Chapter 2, verses 1-2, 12-17 *New Revised Standard Version*

Because of the coming day of the LORD, the prophet Joel calls the people to a community lament. The repentant community declares that God is gracious and asks God to spare the people lest the nations doubt God's power to save.

Lector: Let us hear the Word of God

1 Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming, it is near— 2 a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread upon the mountains a great and powerful army comes; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them in ages to come.

12 Yet even now, says the LORD, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; 13 rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing. 14 Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD, your God?

15 Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly; 16 gather the people. Sanctify the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her canopy. 17 Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep. Let them say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations. Why should it be said among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"

Lector: This the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Responsive Reading

Psalms 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem,

Then you will delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Second Reading taken from the Book of 2nd Corinthians, Chapter 5, verse 20b & Chapter 6, verse 10

The ministry of the gospel endures many challenges and hardships. Through this ministry, God's reconciling activity

Lector: Let us hear the Word of God

20 We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

6:10 As God's co-workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. 2 For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Hymn Part 1
please stand if you are able

**Break now the bread of life, Dear Lord to me,
As once you broke the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the Sacred page, I seek you Lord;
My spirit waits for you, O living Word.**

**Bless your own truth dear Lord, to me, to me,
As when you blest the bread by Galilee.
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;
And I shall find my peace, my all in all!**

Gospel Acclamation

Return to the LORD, your God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew,
Chapter 6, verses 1-6, 16-21
New Revised Standard Version

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus commends almsgiving prayer, and fasting, but emphasizes that spiritual devotion must not be done for show.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord**

1 “Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. 2 “So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 3 But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, 4 so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

5 “And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 6 But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

16 “And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 17 But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, 18 so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

19 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Gospel Hymn *Part 2*

**You are the Bread of Life, Dear Lord to me,
Your Holy Word the truth that rescues me.
Give me to eat and live with you above;
Teach me to love your truth, for you are love.**

**Oh, send your Spirit Lord, now unto me,
That he may touch my eyes and make me see.
Show me the truth concealed within your Word,
And in your book revealed I see my Lord.**

please be seated

Sermon

Rev. Matthew Zemanick

Hymn of the Day

please stand for the hymn

**1. How good, Lord, to be here! Your
glory fills the night;
Your face and garments, like the sun,
Shine with unborrowed light.**

**2. How good, Lord, to be here!
Your beauty to behold
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Your messengers of old.**

**3. Before we taste of death,
We see your kingdom come;
We long to hold the vision bright
And make this hill our home.**

**4. How good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
But since you bid us leave the mount,
Come with us to the plain**

The Imposition of Ashes

The imposition of Ashes follows. Those who desire to receive ashes will please come forward and kneel at the communion rail. You will be directed by an Usher.

The Prayers of the Church

*At the end of each petition of the prayer the
Pastor shall say: Lord in your mercy*

Please respond with: Receive our prayer

Pastor: Into your hands O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen**

at the conclusion of the prayers

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also with you.**

*with a handshake or a wave, we greet one another
with a sign of God's peace. . .*

*please be seated for the collection of offering
following the sharing of the peace*

Offertory

*Sung by congregation
as the gifts are presented at the altar
Please stand if you are able*

**Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring
To place upon your table.
We do not worship as we ought,
But only as we're able.**

**Our hopes our dreams, our toils and cares
We lift in prayer before you.
Lord, by your grace now come to us,
As humbly we adore you.**

AM: Let us pray . . . O Mighty One

All: **God of healing and hope, you bless those who
are hungry, promising to fulfill them with good
things. Fulfill that promise through us and these
your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your
feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus
Christ our Savior. Amen**

The Great Thanksgiving *spoken*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is indeed right and a good and joyful thing
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
We sing for joy because you have redeemed your
people. Your people who have walked in darkness
have seen a great light. And so, with your people
on earth and with all the company of heaven, we
praise your name and join their unending hymn . . .

The Sanctus

spoken by congregation

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven 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.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Pastor: Holy God, Creator of all and source of life,
in the beginning your word brought light into the
whole world. In the fullness of time, you sent your
Word, born of Mary, to shine in our darkness and
to make us your daughters and sons.

All: **Amen, Come Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed our
Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke
it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and
eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the
remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the
new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for
all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for
the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his birth and life among
us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming
again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup,
that, held and nourished by you, we may live as
your children, shining with the light of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Al-
mighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your Holy
Church, both now and forever.

5 All: Amen

Pastor: And now with the confidence of children of God, we are bold to pray.

All: **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**

Pastor: Christ is the true bread that has come down from heaven. Emmanuel, God with us.

All: **Lord, give us this bread always.**

*please remain standing for the singing
of the Agnus Dei*

Agnus Dei *sung*

All: **Lamb of God
You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

**O - Lamb of God
You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

**Lamb of God
You Take away the sin of the world
Have mercy - Have mercy - On us**

**O - Lamb of God
You Take away the sin of the world
Grant us - Grant us - Your peace**

please be seated

The Holy Communion

Instructions for receiving
Holy Communion

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion;
children and those of other faiths are invited
to share the bread and a blessing.*

*Communion will be distributed in this fashion:
Please come to the front of the church to receive
the bread from the Pastor.*

*If you are seated on the **right** side of the church
please go to the **right** side communion rail.*

*If you are seated on the **left**
side go to the **left** side communion rail.*

*The Assistant Minister will follow with the cup.
Please dip your wafer into the wine when prompted.*

Communion Hymn

to be sung by the congregation

**1. Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me;
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.**

**Come home, come home;
you who are weary come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, O sinner, come home!**

**2. Why should we tarry when Jesus is plead-
ing, pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his
mercies, mercies for you and for me?**

**3. Time is now fleeting, the moments are
passing, passing from you and from me;
shadows are gathering, deathbeds are coming,
coming for you and for me.**

**4. O for the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and
pardon, pardon for you and for me.**

*When all have returned to their seats,
the congregation will please stand*

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: **Amen**

Post-Communion Canticle

**All: Thank the Lord and sing his praise;
Tell everyone what he has done.
Let everyone who seeks the Lord
Rejoice and proudly bear his name
He recalls his promises
And leads his people forth in joy
With shouts of thanksgiving,
Alleluia. Alleluia**

please be seated

Prayer of Thanksgiving

AM: God of field and flower, wheat and grape,
you have nourished us with the bread of
heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened
by the body and blood of your Son, send us out
to gather your good gifts for all hunger and thirst,
and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's
name.

All: Amen

please be seated

Congregational Announcements

please stand for the Benediction and Closing Hymn

Pastor: May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face shine on you and be
gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with
favor and give you peace.

All: Amen

Closing Hymn

**1. Alleluia, song of gladness,
Voice of joy that cannot die;
Alleluia is the anthem
Ever dear to choirs on high;
In the house of God abiding
Thus they sing eternally.**

**2. Alleluia! Lead our praises,
True Jerusalem and free;
Alleluia, joyful mother,
Bring us to your jubilee;
But by Babylon's sad waters
Mourning exiles now are we.**

**3. Alleluia cannot always
Be our song while here below;
Alleluia our transgressions
Make us for a while forgo;
For the solemn time is coming
When our tears for sin shall flow.**

**4. In our hymns we pray with longing:
Grant us, blessed Trinity,
At the last to keep glad Easter
With the faithful saints on high;
There to you forever singing
Alleluia joyfully.**

AM: The worship has ended, the service now
begins. Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



Ash Wednesday
February 18, 2026

Today - February 18, 2026
Wednesday

Worship
Worship

12:00 PM
7:00 PM

Sunday - February 22, 2026
First Sunday in Lent

Worship
Worship

9:00 AM
11:00 AM

Worship - Online Worship Package - every
Sunday at 12:00 Noon

Every Sunday at Noon we will continue to post our on-line worship service - it is NOT a live version of our Sunday worship, but a different experience tailored to watching and interacting at home. Thousands watch every week - watch it - share it - like it - comment!

These 30 minute worship videos are found on the church Facebook page, the church's YouTube channel or by going to the church web site and clicking on the button on the bottom right of the home page that says "Watch Live"

These videos are archived and can be watched 24/7.

We will no longer be showing worship live from the church building on a Sunday morning.

Arrivals and Departures . . .

Free Parking ~ Every Sunday
Available on the south side of 90th Avenue from 175 Street to 178 Street. You MUST display a yellow parking permit. To get a permit ask an usher - they are FREE!

Hand sanitizers are available in the entryway and in the bathrooms.



Contact Us . . .

How to Reach Us

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For any questions or concerns regarding the worship assistants schedule, please reach out to Leah Singh at 917-306-0098



Call Committee Updates....

Update on the Call Process – Preparing for a New Pastor

As we move forward with the Call process, your Call Committee has been working closely with the OSLC Council and the MNYS Bishop's office to ensure that each step proceeds smoothly and efficiently. We are prayerfully preparing for the second interview later this month, to be followed by a chance to observe the candidate preach at a neutral venue. You the members of this congregation will take the final decision to appointment a new Pastor, at a specially arranged service and meeting where a vote will be taken – date to be announced.

But we must prepare our hearts and minds to receive a new Pastor. We appreciate the strong support and leadership provided by Pastor Daniel and Pastor Matthew and we thank them.

Following are some steps we must take to begin our preparation:

- Communicate any concerns or spiritual support needs to the President or any member of the Church Council, or to the Church Office – Tel: 718-739-7452. We will ensure that these are addressed as quickly as possible.
- Contact the Church Office if support is needed for weddings, funerals or other family events. Do not engage privately with Pastors who have served us in the past. While we understand that strong bonds continue to exist for many of us, it is crucial that we begin to create the space needed for the new Pastor to function effectively and independently.
- It will take all of us to rebuild our congregation. Offer your time to serve in any of the crucial stewardship roles – ushers, acolytes, altar preparation or church maintenance. Please step up and volunteer.
- Finally, faithfully seek God's guidance in this crucial moment through continuous prayer and discernment.

*Neil Pierre,
Call Committee Chair*



ANNOUNCEMENTS!!

COMING SOON.....TRAINING FOR USHERS & ASSISTING MINISTERS

Ushers:

For current Ushers and anyone high school age and above. Be a part of the Welcome Team at YOUR CHURCH. The only requirements are attending training and arriving for worship 1/2 hour early on your scheduled day - and to be able to greet everyone with a smile! You do not need to be a member to serve!

Assisting Ministers:

For current Assisting Ministers and anyone high school age and above who are Confirmed. Assisting Ministers are perhaps the most visible of any worship assistant as they prepare the altar and help lead worship on Sundays.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please feel free to reach out to your Council President, Elaine Peters Guthrie, or any of our Council Members.



Lent Mid-Week Sermon Series: Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM



Restoration: Finding Redemption in Our Mess

Often, we make a mess of our lives and wonder if there is any redemption. Through this sermon series we will learn to see our mess through the eyes of Christ to find redemption and restoration. Only when we reflect and meditate through our own brokenness can we focus on the cross as the place where we truly surrender control, leave our mess, and experience restoration.

Week One: February 25

Week Two: March 4

Week Three: March 11

Week Four: March 18

Week Five: March 25

Week Six: April 1

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday (Sunday of the Passion): March 29, 2026

Holy Week: March 29 – April 5, 2026

Maundy Thursday: April 2, 2026

Good Friday: April 4, 2026

Holy Saturday: April 4, 2026

Easter Sunday (Resurrection of Our Lord): April 5, 2026



***Our Stated Supply Pastor,
Rev. Matthew Zemanick!!***

The Rev. Matthew G. Zemanick is currently on leave from call and in a period of discernment after his layoff from Lutheran Disaster Response. Before this reduction in force at the Church-wide organization, Pr. Matthew served as Program Director, Lutheran Disaster Response Initiatives.

Previously, Pastor Matthew served for nearly five years on Chicago's Southeast Side as a parish pastor, community organizer, and environmental justice chaplain.

He grew up in the Patapsco River Valley, holds degrees from the George Washington University and the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, and enjoys swimming (especially in the ocean), cooking, language, and adventure.



*Update from
Elaine Peters Guthrie
Church Council
President*

I would like to express my profound gratitude to each and every one of you for entrusting me with the privileged task of serving as the Council President of Our Church. We are, above all, a family: diverse and unique in our own ways. I appreciate and value this uniqueness and I am committed to fostering an atmosphere of inclusivity and mutual respect.

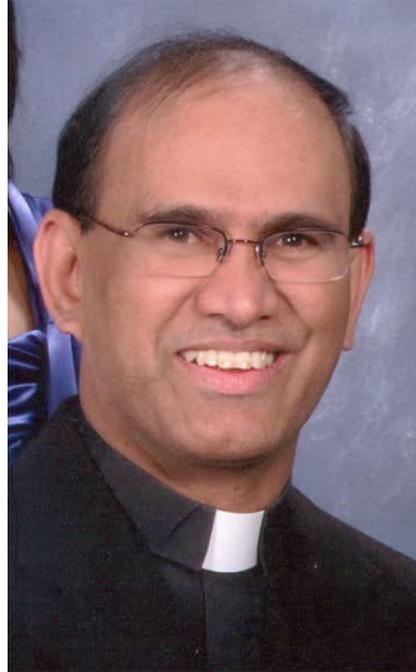
As your President, my role is to serve and not to be served. I am here to listen, encourage, guide, and serve you to be best of my ability. Your ideas, views, and opinions are valuable to me. Juggling a demanding full-time job, serving as your Council President (another full-time job I might add!!), and daily life is not an easy undertaking by any means. I am thankful for all the support, guidance and cooperation that you have provided to me since I took on this role. Let's continue to actively contribute and cooperate to uplift the glory of the Lord. I look forward to serving you, walking this path with you, and seeing Our Church thrive for the glory of God.

I am certain that with our united resilience, faith, and the grace of God, we can surmount any and all challenges. I have faith that together we can make significant achievements as we move forward: we can organize outreach programs, host spiritual enrichment activities, and become more involved in the betterment of Our Church community.

Best regards always!



***Our Coverage Pastor
Daniel Peter***



Pastor Daniel Peter is a Rostered Pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), currently working at St. Paul's International Lutheran Church, Floral Park, NY, since October, 2000. Pastor Daniel's family, which includes his wife (Rev. Sarah Geddada), and his daughter (Rev. Hep-hzibah Penumaka) were invited by the Metropolitan New York Synod of the ELCA to develop the Indian Ministry in Lutheran Church in October, 2000.

By the grace of God, Pastor Daniel is actively involved in Synod and Church wide programs that helped to develop his leadership skills. He served in the Synod Council of the Metropolitan New York Synod and was on the Synod Executive Committee for two years. He was on the Board of Directors of Seafarers as well as the Board of Directors of Lutheran Higher Education in the Synod.

Pastor Daniel is also a member of the Asian and Pacific Islanders Ministry in the ELCA and serves on the Asian Church Planting Team of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Before migrating to the United States, Pastor Daniel worked in India as the Parish Pastor in Andhra Pradesh and became Program Secretary for the Student Christian Movement in India (SCMI). He then moved to Hong Kong with his family and worked as the General Secretary of the World Student Christian Federation. He later served as an Interim Pastor of Kowloon Union Church, Hong Kong. Pastor Daniel resided in Hong Kong for six and half years. In this capacity, he traveled extensively throughout India and abroad. Pastor Daniel studied Anthropology in both his Undergrad and Graduate Programs in Andhra University, India. He later completed his Bachelors and Master of Theology at United Theologica College, Bangalore.



First Sunday in Lent February 22, 2026

4,160. That's how many Sundays most people get in a lifetime. And, so often, we waste them. Why? Because we're busy or unintentional or more concerned with what the culture says than what God says. But Sundays, especially Sundays during Lent, are too good to be wasted. Take just a few moments in prayer each Sunday of Lent, and you'll be one step closer to who God is calling you to be:

Heavenly Father,

As I enter another week of my Lenten journey, guide me to the path that leads to you. Fill my heart with gratitude, patience, strength, and peace as I strive to become the-best-version-of-myself. Let me hear your voice in the deepest reaches of my heart. Give me rest in you. Help me to accept others, showing them your great love instead of casting judgment. Stay with me through the busy days this week and remind me that when I need comfort, solitude, wisdom, or guidance, I can always turn to you.

Amen!

Welcome !

If you are joining us for the first time today or if your personal information has changed, please use this tear-off card to help us keep in touch with you and let you know of all the great things happening at Our Saviour Lutheran Church.

My Name _____

Address _____

Apartment _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail address _____

This is my:

- 1st time at worship
- 2nd time at worship

I would like more information on:

- Becoming a Member
- Baptizing my child
- I would like a Pastor to call
- Other _____

I am asking the church to pray for the following person or reason

- I would like these prayers to be kept confidential
- I would like these prayers to be added to the church prayer list to be read next Sunday morning during worship
(Names will be included for one week)

Please tear off this card and either

- place it in the offering plate
- give it to an usher

Bend and tear off along this line



Our Saviour Lutheran Church

90-04 175th Street
Jamaica, NY 11432

The Perfect church . . . for those who aren't !

This year marks our 102nd year of ministry in Queens. Organized in 1923, Our Saviour Lutheran Church includes people from 26 nations of origin, gathered together to celebrate in Word and Sacrament the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to root our hope in the power of the Good News.

As a people who have been touched by God's love in Jesus Christ, we respond by giving our lives in friendship and service.

We are: A Joyful people !
 A Diverse people !
 Gathered for worship !
 Scattered for ministry !

Welcome !

Worship Schedule

Worship every Sunday
9:00 AM ~ 11:00 AM

For more information
visit our website ~
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