

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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LENT

Third Sunday in Lent March 8, 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.

The Season of Lent

From the Latin root "to lengthen"- Lent is a time when the daylight is growing and the sun is reasserting itself. The forty days of Lent are a time of preparation for the resurrection joy of Easter. As we move toward the new life of the empty tomb, we are called to a life of prayer, fasting, and acts of kindness.

Gathering Prayer

please stand if you are able

Gathering Hymn

- 1. We have come into His house,
Gathered in His name to worship Him
We have come into His house,
Gathered in His name to worship Him
We have come into His house,
Gathered in His name
To worship Christ the Lord.
Worship Him Christ the Lord.**
- 2. Let's forget about ourselves,
Concentrate on Him and worship him
Let's forget about ourselves,
Concentrate on Him and worship him
Let's forget about ourselves,
Concentrate on Him
And worship Christ the Lord.
Worship Him Christ the Lord.**
- 3. He is all my righteousness,
I stand complete in Him and worship Him
He is all my righteousness,
I stand complete in Him and worship Him
He is all my righteousness,
I stand complete in Him
And worship Christ the Lord.
Worship Him Christ the Lord.**

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 . . . Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of truth through 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 Exodus, Chapter 17, verses 1-7
New Revised Standard Version

Because the thirsty Israelites quarreled with Moses and put God to the test, Moses cried out in desperation to God. God commanded Moses to strike the rock to provide water for the people. The doubt-filled question - "Is the LORD among us or not?" - received a very positive answer.

Lector: Let us hear the Word of God

1 From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. 2 The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" 3 But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" 4 So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me."

5 The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. 6 I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. 7 He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Lector: This the Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Responsive Reading

Psalm 95

Lector: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Lector: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods

All: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

Lector: The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

All: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Lector: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his voice!

All: Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

Lector: When your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

All: For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways."

Lector: Therefore in my anger I swore, "They shall not enter my rest."

All: Amen

Second Reading taken from the Book of Romans, Chapter 5, verses 1-11
New Revised Standard Version

Though we often hear that God helps those who help themselves, here Paul tells us that through Jesus' death God helps utterly helpless sinners. Since we who had been enemies are reconciled to God in the cross, we now live in hope for our final salvation.

Lector: Let us hear the Word of God

1 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. 3 And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, **3**

4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5 and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. 8 But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. 9 Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. 10 For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. 11 But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

**Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world;
give me this living water that I may never
thirst again.**

The Holy Gospel according to John,
Chapter 4, verses 5-30
New Revised Standard Version

Jesus defies convention to engage a Samaritan woman in conversation. Her testimony, in turn, leads, many others to faith.

All: Glory to you, O Lord

5 So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. 7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8 (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)

9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." 11 The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"

13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."

15 The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." 16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." 17 The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" 19 The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. 20 Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."

21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. 22 You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him.

24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." 25 The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." 26 Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." 27 Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" 28 Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 29 "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" 30 They left the city and were on their way to him.

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. Come to me, all pilgrims thirsty;
drink the water I will give.
If you knew what gift I offer,
you would come to me and live.**

**Jesus, everflowing fountain,
give us water from your well.
In the gracious gift you offer
there is joy no tongue can tell.**

**2. Come to me, all trav'lers weary;
come that I may give you rest.
Drink the cup of life I offer;
at this table be my guest.**

**3. Come to me, believers burdened;
find refreshment in this place.
Come, receive the gift I offer,
turn to me and seek my face.**

**4. Come to me, repentant sinners;
leave behind your guilt and shame.
Come and know divine compassion,
turn to me, I call your name.**

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, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your Holy Church, both now and forever.

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. Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve thee,
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.**

**2. Fair are the meadows, Fair are the wood-
lands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer;
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.**

**3. Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.**

**4. Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine!**

*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: For the bread which you have broken,
For the wine which you have poured,
For the words which you have spoken,
Now we give you thanks, O Lord.**

**In your service, Lord, defend us;
In our hearts keep watch and ward,
In the world to which you send us
Let your kingdom come, O Lord.**

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

Benediction

Pastor: May God restore in you the joy of salvation, strengthen your love for your neighbor, and grant you peace. May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you forever.

All: Amen

Closing Hymn

**1. Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee;
May I still thy goodness prove.**

**2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.**

**3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.**

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

All: Thanks be to God

Memorial Gifts

Given by: Sharon Duncan-Glasgow
For: In memory of her loving Mom

Given by: Lindsley & Catherine Bascom
For: In memory of Desmond Bascom



Third Sunday in Lent
March 8, 2026

Today - March 8, 2026
3rd Sunday in Lent
Worship
Worship

9:00 AM
11:00 AM

Wednesday - March 11, 2026
3 Wednesday in Lent
Worship

7:00 PM

Sunday - March 15, 2026
4th 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 . . .

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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

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday (Sunday of the Passion): March 29

Holy Week: March 29 – April 5

Maundy Thursday: April 2

Good Friday: April 4

Holy Saturday: April 4

Easter Sunday (Resurrection of Our Lord): April 5



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.

STATED SUPPLY PASTOR

Pr. Matthew Zemanick's Stated Supply agreement with OSLC was renewed. He will be with us at least until May 10, 2026. Thank you Mr. Matthew. We appreciate you!

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEEETING RESULTS

Number of Confirmed Members needed for Quorum: 39

Number of Ballots Returned: 47

Number of Ballots Voting YES on all questions: 42

Number of Invalid Ballots: 5

Number of Blank Ballots: 2

CURRENT CHURCH COUNCIL

Elaine Peters Guthrie (President)

Neil Pierre

Mico Zackchewski

Diann Pattyram

Michelle Bissessar

Nirvana Ramkissoon

Evelyn Mandal (Treasurer)

Beatrice Ramraj (Recording Secretary)



Update on the Call Process

As previously announced, the Call Committee endorsed the Bishop's recommendation of a pastoral candidate for consideration by the Church Council and congregation. Council recently held a special meeting to decide on the recommendation of the Call Committee and voted to forward the recommended candidate to the congregation for final approval.

A two-thirds majority of members voting in favor of this recommendation will be required for approval.

In accordance with the Constitution of Our Saviour and the Guidelines of the Metro New York Synod, a special worship service of Our Saviour will be held at which the recommended candidate will preach and conduct worship. This will be a single service to which all members of the congregation are encouraged to participate.

This is an important moment for all of us. We have persevered in our faith journey without a permanent pastor for over two years. Throughout this period, we have continuously prayed for God's guidance in identifying a new pastor who will take us forward. We must continue to seek His guidance and be fully engaged in the final decision.

In consultation with the office of the Bishop, a special worship service will be held at Our Saviour on Sunday, March 22, 2026 at 10 am. This service will be immediately followed by a Special Congregational meeting to vote on the recommendation.

NOTE: There will be no 9 am and 11 am services that day



***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.

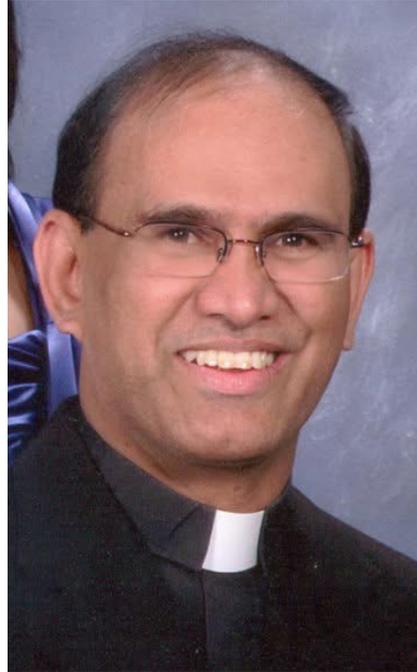
As your President, my role is to serve and not to be served. I am here to listen, encourage, guide, and serve you to be best of my ability. Your ideas, views, and opinions are valuable to me. Juggling a demanding full-time job, serving as your Council President (another full-time job I might add!!), 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. Hephzibah 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.



Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2026

The Fourth Sunday in Lent, known as Laetare Sunday, is a day of joy and celebration within the Lenten season, traditionally marked by a shift in liturgical colors and themes. It falls approximately halfway through the Lenten season. The name “Laetare” comes from the Latin word meaning “rejoice,” reflecting the theme of joy amidst the penitential season of Lent. This Sunday serves as a reminder of the joy that awaits at Easter, encouraging the faithful to rejoice in their spiritual journey.

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)

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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 !
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Welcome !

Worship Schedule

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

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