

# OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Easter Sunday  
April 5, 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.

Easter Greeting *Repeated three times*

Pastor: He is Risen !

Congregation: **He is Risen Indeed !**

Opening Hymn

- 1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**
- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**
- 3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**
- 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

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 . . . O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen**

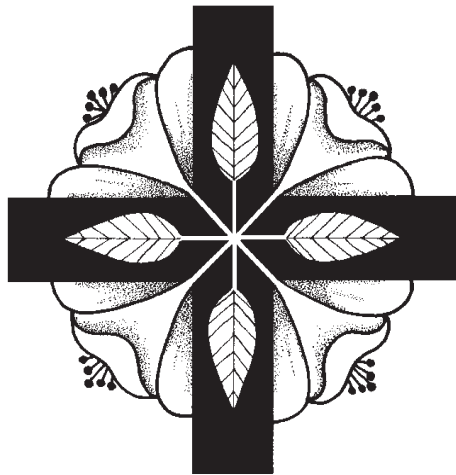
**This is the day - this is the day  
That the Lord has made -  
that the Lord has made**

**Let us rejoice - Let us rejoice  
And be glad in it - and be glad in it.**

**This is the day -  
that the Lord has made  
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**This is the day - this is the day  
That the Lord has made !**

*Please be seated for the reading of the lessons*



## The Reading of the Lessons

### First Lesson

Ephesians 2: 1-5

*The word “but” in Scripture often introduces the message of the gracious and compassionate intervention of God. This simple term captures the nature of our God. God redeems, resurrects, and makes all things new. All seems lost and then we hear, “but God.” God intervenes. God saves.*

1 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, 2 in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. 3 All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. 4 But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

Lector: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

All: **Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”**

Lector: There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;

All: **the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.”**

Lector: I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

All: **The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.**

Lector: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

All: **This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.**

Lector: I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

All: **The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

Lector: This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

All: **This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

## Gospel Hymn

*Please stand if you are able*

**Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah  
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah  
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

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Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

## Reading of the Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28: 1-10

*Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy"  
when two women are sent by an angel to  
proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!*

1 After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. 2 And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. 4 For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. 5 But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. 6 He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." 8 So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**



## Gospel Hymn

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Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

*Please be seated*

## Sermon

*Rev. Matthew Zemanick*

## Hymn of the Day

*please stand for the hymn*

- 1. I know that my Redeemer lives!  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my everliving head!**
- 2. He lives triumphant from the grave;  
He lives eternally to save;  
He lives exalted, throned above;  
He lives to rule his Church in love.**
- 3. He lives to silence all my fears;  
He lives to wipe away my tears;  
He lives to calm my troubled heart;  
He lives all blessings to impart.**
- 4. He lives, all glory to his name!  
He lives, my Savior, still the same;  
What joy this blest assurance gives:  
I know that my Redeemer lives!**

## The Prayers of the Church

Pastor: Let us pray . . . God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for He is alive and has become the Lord of life. This blessed day, we pray for those known and unknown to us who have asked for prayer; we pray for our homebound members and friends; and we pray for those we name before you in the silence of our hearts. Help us all to grow as your people, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever.

All: **Amen**

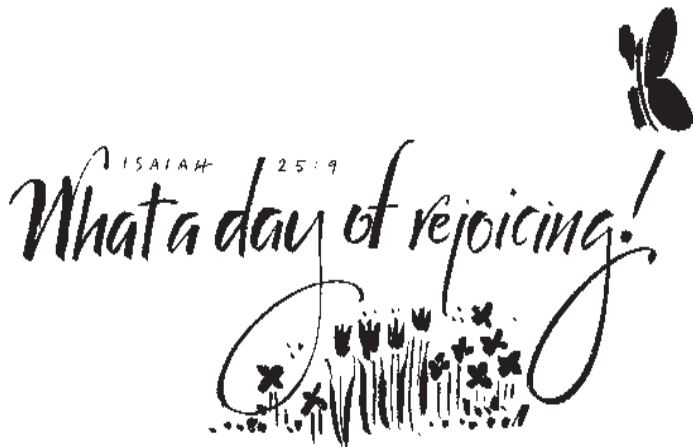
*at the end of the prayers*

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always

All: **And also with you**

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

*Please remain standing following the sharing of the peace*



## Offering

*We worship God through our giving.*

*Your offering may be placed in the slotted opening of the **Offering Box** in the Church Entrance as you leave church this morning*

## The Great Thanksgiving

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 salutary that we should

at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God. This day, we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with your people here on earth and with all the company of heaven, we praise your name and sing their unending hymn . . .

## The Sanctus *sung - repeat after pastor*

*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, living, and loving God, In the resurrection of our Lord you have broken open the tomb of our world, calling life out of death and leading all creation to your promised fulfillment.

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.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Everliving and Triumphant God, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church both now and forever.

All: **Amen**

Pastor: Lord, we ask that you would remember us in your kingdom as you have taught us 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: Alleluia! Christ our Passover lamb is sacrificed for us.

All: **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

## 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; children  
and those of other faiths are invited to share  
in the bread and a blessing.*

*Communion will be distributed in a  
continuous fashion:*

*When dismissed by an usher-- please come to  
the front of the church to receive the bread  
from the Pastor*

*Please move to the Assisting Minister on your  
side of the church. Please dip your wafer into  
the wine when prompted.*

*Return to your seat by the side aisle*

*If you are unable to come forward,  
and you would like to commune,  
please tell an usher so a Pastor  
can bring communion to you in the pew.*

*Gluten-free wafers and wine are available -  
ask when you come to the Communion rail*

## Communion Hymn

*sung by 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 woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorrowing 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**

AM: Let us pray . . . Life-giving God,

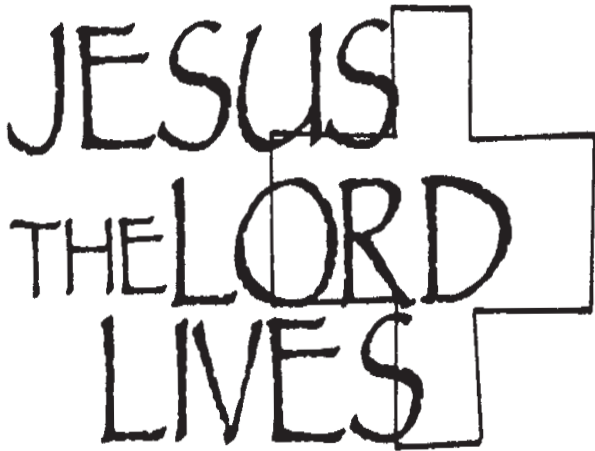
All: **In the mystery of Christ's death and resurrec-  
tion you send light to conquer darkness, water to  
give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish  
your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your  
Son's resurrection that we may show your glory  
to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
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 remain standing*

*there will be no Announcements today  
everything is listed in your worship bulletin  
or on the church web site:  
[www.oursaviourjamaica.com](http://www.oursaviourjamaica.com)*



## Benediction

*please remain standing*

Pastor: May God who has brought us from bondage to freedom, and from death to life, fill you with great joy. The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look upon you with favor and give + you peace.

All: Amen

## Closing hymn

1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me down to lie.  
In pastures green, he leadeth me,  
the quiet waters by.

He lives, he lives, he lives!  
I know that my Redeemer lives!  
He lives, he lives, he lives within my heart!

2. My soul he doth restore again,  
and me to walk doth make;  
Within the paths of righteousness,  
e'en for his own name's sake.

3. Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear no ill.  
For Thou art with me and Thy rod  
and staff me comfort still.

4. My table thou hast furnished,  
in presence of my foes;  
My head with oil thou dost anoint,  
and my cup overflows.

5. Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house forevermore  
My dwelling place shall be.

AM: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*all church announcements are  
printed in your worship bulletin*

*may you and your family have a blessed Easter !*

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**Easter Sunday**  
**April 5, 2026**

**Today - Easter Sunday**  
Worship  
Worship

9:00 AM  
11:00 AM

**April 12, 2026**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**  
Worship  
Worship

9:00 AM  
11:00 AM

**Arrivals and Departures . . .**

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175 Street to 178 Street. You **MUST** display a  
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in the bathrooms.



**Contact Us . . .**

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schedule, please reach out to Leah Singh at 917-306-0098

# *Easter Sunday Memorial Gifts*

Mohanee Sankar	In Honor of my Birthday
Arnold, Niravna & Miriam Ramkissoon	In Memory of Elizabeth & Andrew Ramkissoon
Lindsay Bernard Bascom	In Honor of God's Blessings
The Lall Family	In Memory of Oswald H. Lall
Niel & Jennifer Pierre	In Memory of Our Parents
Eulanda Powers	In Memory of Ruth Woodson & Mojo
The Foster Family	In Honor of God's Blessings
Carlton & Geeta McBain	In Memory of Melissa A. McBain
Travis & Rashree (Alisa) McBain	In Memory of Melissa A. McBain & Roger McBain
Lindsay & Catherine Bascom	In Honor of God's Blessings
Claude Outar	In Memory of Kenneth Outar & Drupatie Outar
Cecile Teekaram	In Memory of Roy Teekram & James Smith
Norma S. Pimento & Gary Pimento	In Honor of God's Blessings for Ciaan Pimento
Mohanee Sankar	In Memory of Rudy Sakar & Chris Ramcharran
Lynette Shivraj	In Honor of Loved Ones
Bryan Thomas	In Honor of The Thomas Family
Prescilla C. Bagasan	In Memory of my departed Brothers & Sisters
Devika Persaud	In Memory of my parents
Amy Chiran Devi & Ethan Tulsi	In Memory of Sukhraj & daughter Dana Tulsi
Rev. Winston & Joan Dookram	In Honor of Connor Wrigley & Colin Wrigley
Evelyn Mandal	In Honor of God's Abundant Blessings
Clement Oluremi Akintomide	In Memory of Parents & loved ones
Nalinie Deokinanan	In Honor of God's Blessings
Meena Bactawar	In Honor of God's Blessings
The Akintomide Family	In Honor of God's Blessings
Christina Rose & Navind Kewal	In Honor of God's Blessings
Dennis Ishak	In Memory of Arnold Ishak & Sreemati Jewram
Jasmattie Bridjelall	In Honor of God's Blessings for Mia & Liam
Sharon Glasgow	In Honor of Deighton Duncan for God's Blessings
Elaine & Terry Guthrie	In Honor of God's Continued Blessings
Guthrie Grandkids	In Memory of Leslie and Sabita
Bryan & Bibi Guthrie	In Memory of John & Cheryl Joaquim
Bryan & Bibi Guthrie	In Memory of Noor & Bibi Ahmad
Bryan & Bibi Guthrie	In Memory of Debbie Guthire & Jamo Hoosain

*Thank you to everyone who gave so generously this Easter Sunday.  
Every effort has been made to proofread this gift list.  
We apologize for any errors.*



*A word from  
Elaine Peters Guthrie  
Church Council  
President*

Greetings Church Family,

I wanted to send a quick note your way as we navigate these changing times together. I know that change can sometimes feel like a whirlwind – the possibility of having a permanent Called Pastor after more than 2 years of waiting – is maybe a little nerve-wracking, and definitely a new adventure! It's completely natural to feel a mix of things when the path ahead isn't perfectly clear.

But you know what? I truly believe this is also an incredible opportunity for us to step out in faith, trusting that God's hand is guiding us through every single twist and turn. Even when we're not entirely sure what's next, He always knows.

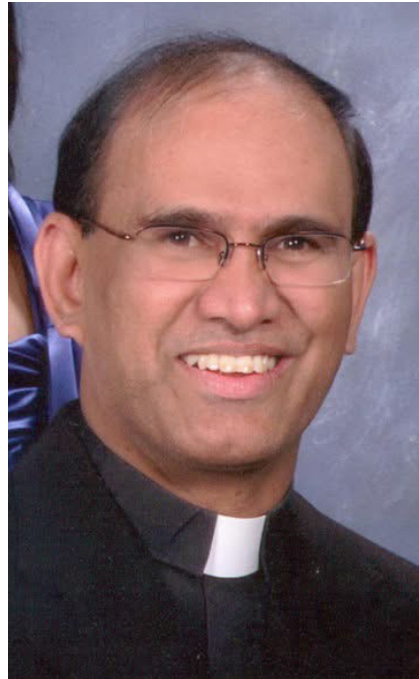
As part of our leadership team on the Church Council, I want to reassure you that we are spending a lot of time genuinely seeking God's wisdom in every decision we make. We're really committed to keeping the lines of communication open, listening to your thoughts and ideas, and just walking alongside each other as one big family in Christ.

This isn't just about getting through a transition; it's about seeing what amazing new things God is cooking up for us! He loves to surprise us, and I'm so excited to see how He continues to unfold His story right here among us.

So, let's make sure we're leaning on each other, offering encouragement, and keeping our focus firmly on Jesus – our rock who never changes, no matter what else is going on. Let's move forward with hearts full of hope, ready to lend a hand wherever it's needed, and just eager to witness all the incredible things God has planned.



**WELCOME**  
**Pastor Daniel Peter**  
**our new**  
**Coverage Pastor**



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.

# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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



# 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

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