

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN

# palm sunday

## Rite of Confirmation: Introduction

*Palm Sunday, the gateway to Holy Week, is the first memorial to our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem. This festive parade was His wedding march as He proceeded to seal with blood His Bridegroom's love for the human family. It is, furthermore, a feast in honor of Christ the King. This is the first time during His earthly life that He allowed royal homage to be paid Him. On the basis of His kingship He was convicted and sentenced to die. He was a martyr to His royal title.*

*But Palm Sunday brings us face to face with suffering, for it introduces us to Christ's sacred Passion. We are to share our Master's burden. The liturgy therefore is quite "dramatic." Christ is in our midst, and by our actions we proclaim ourselves His disciples. We accompany Him along the road from Mount Olivet to the city gate, into the Holy City to stand with Him before His executioners, and finally outside the city walls to Golgotha to watch Him die.*

*This service has been carefully constructed to achieve these historic and traditional Palm Sunday themes. At the beginning there are songs of praise. There is the Palm Sunday message for this day in the proclaimed Word. Our Confirmands pledge themselves to Christ in the Rite of Confirmation. Finally, there is the consecration of the palms and the blessings of those who carry them. The service ends with "The Procession," in which the worshipers, carrying palms, follow out of the church into the world. The symbolism is this: as soldiers and martyrs of Christ, we accompany the Lord and King of martyrs into the strife (herein lies the real significance of the palms). This is a procession to honor the Conqueror over death and hell as He proceeds to the battlefield. Christians are marching with Christ, a train of heroes and conquerors!*

*The palms traditionally are taken home and placed where they can be a quiet reminder of the assurance of God's grace and of our commitment to Him.*

## in nomine jesu



## RINGING OF THE BELLS

### festival prelude

Hosanna

Carillon Ringers

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

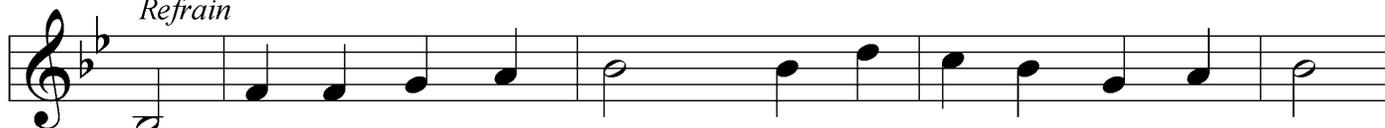
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# PROCESSIONAL hymn

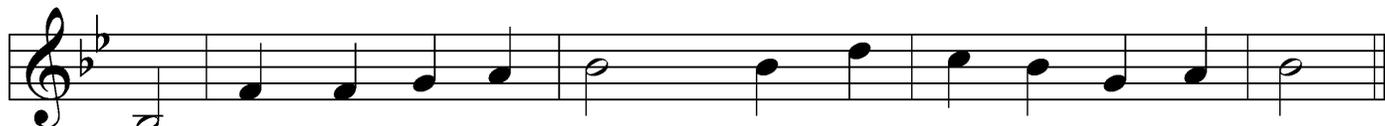
## All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Text: Theodulf of Orléans; Tune: Melchior Teschner – “Valet Will Ich Dir Geben”; LSB #442 © 2006 CPH

*Refrain*



All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re-deem - er, King,



To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



- 1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
- 2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Is prais - ing You on high,
- 3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
- 4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;
- 5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*Refrain*



Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.  
And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.  
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.  
To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.  
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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*“Christ’s Entry into Jerusalem” by Felix Louis Leullier*

# call to worship

**P** Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
**C** *Hosanna! Hosanna! See the King enter the gates of the city.*

**P** Let all creation shout words of praise to Him.  
**C** *Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!*

**P** Let praise resound throughout the world. Let His name be heard, let His praises shake the foundations of creation.  
**C** *Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!*

**P** At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!  
**C** *Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!*

*(Be Seated)*

## ministry of music

### Hosanna to Our Savior King

By Sondra K. Tucker © 2008 Birnamwood Publications  
Jubilate Choir

*Hosanna to our Savior King! Hosanna let us ever sing! Hosanna now and ever more!  
Hosanna sing in this glad hour!  
(Refrain)*

*Blessed is he who comes from God! Blessed are we his way to trod.  
Blessed shall be his reign of love. Blessed are those he came to save.*

*Christ, whom we praise, came down to live In humble form like us, to give Gracious forgiveness for our sin,  
And died that we might live again. (Refrain)*

*Our God above has honored him, Giving a name above all names,  
That when we hear his name we sing Praise and hosannas to our King!  
Wave now on high your banners bright! Wave now the palms in God's own sight!  
Wave now your arms in joyous praise!  
Wave palms and sing, your voices raise! (Refrain)*

*Blessed is he who comes from God! Blessed are we his way to trod.  
Blessed shall be his reign of love. Blessed are those he came to save.  
Blessed are those he came to save!*



# old testament lesson

Zechariah 9:9-12

[9] Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. [10] I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. [11] As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. [12] Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Hosanna! Blessed be the name of the Lord.*

*The prophet sees the Deliverer coming, meek and humble but triumphant and victorious. He knows the end is near, that God will bring peace, and restore his people. We who worship Christ the Lord, the humble King, have ample cause to rejoice as well.*



# epistle lesson

Philippians 2:5-11

[5] Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, [6] who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, [7] but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. [8] And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. [9] Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, [10] so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, [11] and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

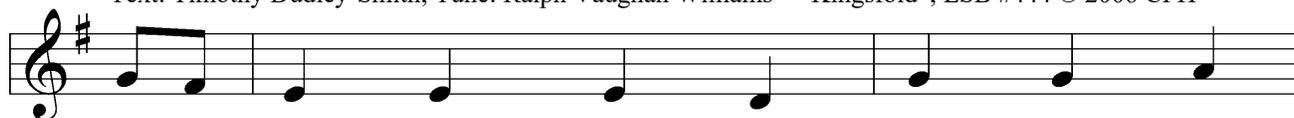
**C** *Hosanna! Blessed be the name of the Lord.*

*Jesus chose to humble himself and to be humiliated. Contrary to what most expected, this choice became the way to glory. Easter stands at the end of Holy Week. Jesus' suffering was painful and hard to bear. But now it is finished and he is glorified. "Have this mind [of Christ] among yourselves." "Become a servant and share his glory," is what he tells us now.*

# hymn of the day

## No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith; Tune: Ralph Vaughan Williams – "Kingsfold"; LSB #444 © 2006 CPH



1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet  
2 And yet He comes. The chil - dren cheer;  
3 What fad - ing flow'rs His road a - dorn;  
4 Now He who bore for mor - tals' sake



With ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's  
With palms His path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the  
The palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but  
The cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"  
cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne.  
on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown.  
form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns.



To greet what pomp of king - ly pride  
A - stride a colt He pass - es by  
The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,  
Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



No bells in tri - umph ring, No cit - y gates swing  
As loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y  
The streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the  
Till heav - en's raf - ters ring, And all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"  
host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"

(Stand)

# Gospel for palm sunday

St. Matthew 21:1-11

[1] When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, [2] saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. [3] If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” [4] This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, [5] “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’” [6] The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. [7] They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. [8] Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. [9] And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” [10] And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” [11] And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Hosanna! Blessed be the name of the Lord.*



(Be Seated)

# SERMON hymn

## Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Text: Jeannette Threlfall; Tune: 1784, Württemberg – “Ellacombe”; LSB #443 © 2006 CPH



1 Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na, The lit - tle chil - dren sang;  
2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed Mid an ex - ul - tant crowd,  
3 “Ho - san - na in the high - est!” That an - cient song we sing;



Through pil - lared court and tem - ple The love - ly an - them rang.  
The vic - tor palm branch wav - ing And chant - ing clear and loud.  
For Christ is our Re - deem - er, The Lord of heav'n our King.



To Je - sus, who had blessed them, Close fold - ed to His breast,  
The Lord of earth and heav - en Rode on in low - ly state  
Oh, may we ev - er praise Him With heart and life and voice



The chil - dren sang their prais - es, The sim - plest and the best.  
Nor scorned that lit - tle chil - dren Should on His bid - ding wait.  
And in His bliss - ful pres - ence E - ter - nal - ly re - joyce!

Text and tune: Public domain

(Stand for Reading of the Text)

# SERMON

Text: St. Matthew 21:1-11

“The Burden Taken by Jesus”

*(Stand)*

**votum**



**offering prayer**

*(Be Seated)*

**offering**

**voluntary**

Ellacombe

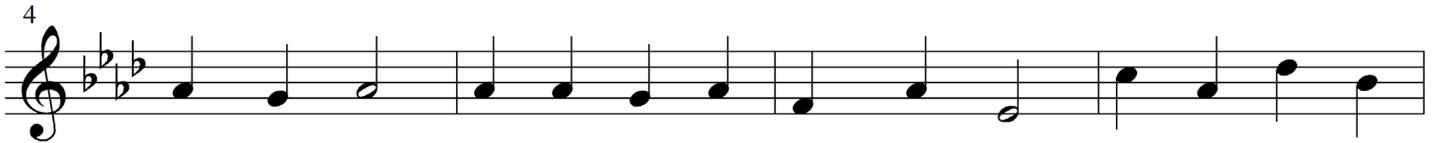
# confirmation hymn

## Fear and Love Thy God and Lord

Text: B. Pederson sts. 1-5; L. White st. 6; Tune: "Spanish Chant"; Te Deum #100 © 2016 OSL



1. Fear and love Thy God and Lord, And re - vere His  
2. In the Fa - ther I be - lieve, Who to all did  
3. Fa - ther, throned in heav'n a - bove, Hal - lowed by Thy  
4. God the Fa - ther, God the Son, God the Spir - it,  
5. Je - sus, let my soul be fed, With Thy - self, the  
6. O - pen heav - en's door to me, Thine own blood the



name and Word, Ho - ly keep the Sab - bath day, Hon - or to thy  
be - ing give, And in Je - sus Christ, His Son, Who for all re -  
name in love; Let Thy king - dom come, we pray, And Thy will be  
Three in One, I, bap - tized in - to Thy name, As Thy child Thy  
liv - ing Bread. For Thy flesh is meat in - deed, And Thy clean - sing  
on - ly key. May Thy pas - tor here pro - claim Full for - give - ness



par - ents pay, Kill not, shun a - dul - ter - y, Steal not, lies and  
demp - tion won; And my faith I al - so place In the Ho - ly  
done al - way; Give us food, for - give - ness send, In temp - ta - tions  
bless - ing claim; Grant that by Thy prom - ised grace I my trust in  
blood I need; Let it free from sin and shame, Keep me from all  
in Thy Name. Hum - ble and re - pen - tent - ly, Low we bow on



slan - der flee, Keep from cov - et - ous - ness free.  
Ghost, whose grace Sanc - ti - fies our souls and ways,  
aid ex - tend, Save us, Lord, when comes our end!  
Thee may place, All my sins with peace re - place  
harm and blame, That Thy death I may pro - claim,  
bend - ed knee. In Thy mer - cy set us free,



Help me, Lord, I trust in Thee!  
Grant me faith through all my days!  
A - men! Lord, Thy Church de - fend!  
Till in heav'n I see Thy face.  
And for - ev - er bless Thy Name.  
Now and in e - ter - ni - ty.

# the rite of confirmation for:

*George William Herodotus Baughman*

*Brynn Marybeth Burttschell*

*Anna Signe Daniel*

*Iris Alba Ferrarese*

*Abigail Elizabeth Frazier*

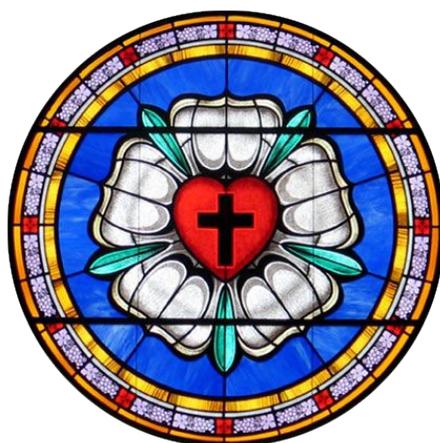
*Stella Rae Halbert*

*Paige Kathryn Lawder*

*Austin Byron Pugh V*

*Harlow Camilla Schatte*

*Wesley Alexander White*



*(Stand)*

## PRAYERS

# CONSECRATION of the palms

**P** Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** *Hosanna to the Son of David.*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** *And also with you.*

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** *It is right to give Him thanks and praise.*

**P** I set these palm branches apart as a reminder of the triumphant entry of our Lord into Jerusalem. May they serve as a memorial to the kingship of Christ. I set these palm branches apart as a sign of the victory of Christ over sin, death and the power of the devil. May they be a remembrance among us of the sacrifice that he was willing to offer to make that victory possible for us. I set these palm branches apart as a symbol among us, each to the other, and before God, of our commitment to Christ, who redeemed us. May we who carry them understand that which they represent, giving honor and praise to the king of kings who has called us to follow him. Let us pray together.

**C** *It is right to praise You Almighty God for the acts of love by which You have redeemed us, through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. We recall how he entered the Holy City of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as king by those who scattered their garments and palm branches in his path. Let these branches be for us signs of His victory, and grant that we who bear them in His name may ever hail him as our King, and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; as He lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.*

**P** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**C** *Hosanna in the highest.*



*(The congregation will be ushered from the front pews. At the altar steps they will receive a palm and join in the procession down the center aisle.)*

# RECESSIONAL hymn

## Crown Him with Many Crowns

Text: Matthew Bridges; Tune: George J. Elvey – “Diademata”; LSB #525 © 2006 CPH



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;  
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,  
3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,  
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.  
Whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won Which now His brow a - dorn:  
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And  
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The  
No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But  
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.  
down - ward bend their won - d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.

5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above,  
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.  
Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall;  
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.



postlude  
Diademata

# 2026 CONFIRMANDS



## ***George William Herodotus Baughman***

Born: September 26, 2011, in Selma, AL

Parents: Karl Edward Baughman & Sarah Ellen Palmer Baughman

Reborn through Baptism: October 9, 2011, at Trinity Lutheran, Selma, AL by Rev. Steven Washington

Sponsors: Rev. David & Heidi Goehmann

Family joined OSL: 2016

***Confirmation Verse: Deuteronomy 4:29 – But from there you will seek the Lord your God and you will find him, if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul.***

## ***Brynn Marybeth Burttschell***

Born: April 27, 2012, in Houston, TX

Parents: Heath Alan Burttschell & Bernadette Rangel Burttschell

Reborn through Baptism: February 16, 2014, at Our Savior Lutheran, by Rev. Laurence L. White

Sponsors: Kevin & Victoria Rangel

Family joined OSL: 1945

***Confirmation Verse: 1 Corinthians 13:13 – So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.***

## ***Anna Signe Daniel***

Born: July 12, 2011, in Houston, TX

Parents: Matthew Daniel & Kirsten Kuhlmann Daniel

Reborn through Baptism: September 4, 2011, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Broken Arrow, OK by Rev. Gregory Hintz

Sponsors: Stephen & Karen Reese

Family joined OSL: 2023

***Confirmation Verse: Isaiah 41:10 – Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.***

## ***Iris Alba Ferrarese***

Born: June 14, 2012, in Houston, TX

Parents: Maurizio & Whitney Ferrarese

Reborn through Baptism: October 14, 2012, at First Presbyterian Church by Rev. Dr. Andrew Stepp

Sponsors: Wes & Sydney Schreiber

Family joined OSL: 2022

***Confirmation Verse: Romans 10:9 – Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.***

## ***Abigail Elizabeth Frazier***

Born: September 14, 2011, in Spring, TX

Parents: Glenn Avery Frazier & Michelle Renee Frazier

Reborn through Baptism: December 18, 2011, at Our Savior Lutheran by Rev. Laurence L. White

Sponsors: Scott & Kaycee Avery

Family joined OSL: 1960

***Confirmation Verse: Deuteronomy 31:6 – Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.***

## ***Stella Rae Halbert***

Born: June 15, 2011, in Houston, TX

Parents: Robert Kent Halbert II & Amanda Leighann Dellaughter Halbert

Reborn through Baptism: June 24, 2011, at Pilgrim Lutheran Church by Rev. Martin Kaufmann

Sponsors: Bill & Liz Schmitz

Family joined OSL: 2019

***Confirmation Verse: Hebrews 13:8 – Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.***

## ***Paige Kathryn Lawder***

Born: September 4, 2011, in Houston, TX

Parents: Michael James Lawder & Shae Elizabeth Hinze Lawder

Reborn through Baptism: October 30, 2011, Our Savior Lutheran Church by Rev. Laurence L. White

Sponsors: Lauren Drosjack and Ty & Erin Hinze

Family joined OSL: 2004

***Confirmation Verse: James 1:17 – Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.***

## ***Austin Byron Pugh V***

Born: September 11, 2011, in Houston, TX

Parents: Austin Byron Pugh IV & Wendoline Degracia Pugh

Reborn through Baptism: April 16, 2023, at Our Savior Lutheran Church by Rev. Kelly Dean Krieg

Sponsors: Austin Byron Pugh IV & Wendoline Pugh

Family joined OSL: 2023

***Confirmation Verse: Nahum 1:7 – The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him.***

## ***Harlow Camilla Schatte***

Born: April 30, 2012, in Houston, TX

Parents: Noah Clay Stevenson Schatte & JoeAnn Williams Schatte

Reborn through Baptism: July 22, 2012, at Our Savior Lutheran Church by Rev. Laurence L. White

Sponsors: Ian Schatte, Barbara Robles, Brenda Robles and Brett Edwards

Family joined OSL: 1995

***Confirmation Verse: Jude 20-21 – But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.***

## ***Wesley Alexander White***

Born: September 1, 2011, in Houston, TX

Parents: Aaron Charles White & Maria Michelle Taylor White

Reborn through Baptism: November 6, 2011, Our Savior Lutheran Church by Rev. Laurence L. White

Sponsors: Carlton & Lacinda Homfeld and Jason & Diana Stephens

Family joined OSL: 1981

***Confirmation Verse: Philippians 4:13 – I can do all things through him who strengthens me.***

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# Welcome!

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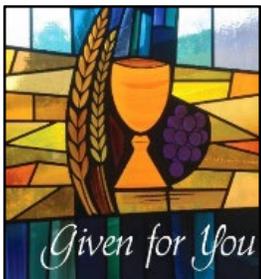
*Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship sincerely, serve Christ faithfully.*

It is our heartfelt prayer that all who worships here this day may encounter the love of our Savior. According to His promise, He is here today reaching out to us in love through Word and Sacrament. If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you have found it here so that we may rejoice in serving the Lord together. If we can be of service to you or your family in any way please do not hesitate to ask.

**LIFE THOUGHTS/PRAYER:** Palm Sunday – In the midst of the darkness and forsakenness of that Friday we now call Good, we see God “hiding” in it all, demonstrating His love in a way we cannot comprehend but only apprehend by faith. The passion of Christ assures us that God works in our darkness demonstrating His love, bringing good, and promising never to forsake. *Lord Jesus, redeem all our fallenness by Your humility, compassion, forgiveness, and company. Amen.*

**ATTENDANCE CARDS – MEMBERS (yellow) & VISITORS (blue)**, remember to fill out an attendance card listing all in attendance for your family. Please note any changes, otherwise you do not have to fill in the address information each week. It is appreciated if first-time visitors would include their address and phone number. Email and work numbers are helpful for inner-office needs. By filling out a card, your attendance and communing is recorded, and your comments are addressed. It is not necessary to indicate common or individual cup. Place cards in the offering plate or give to an usher on your way out. Thanks!

- *The Cry-Room and the four row spans directly in front of it are reserved for parents with small children. Thank you.*
- *Hearing devices are available from the ushers if you need this assistance.*



**HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated next on **Maundy Thursday, April 2 @ 7:00pm, and Easter Sunday, April 5 @ 9:30am.** “Let a man examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.” *1 Corinthians 11:28*

The Word of God teaches that the bread and wine of the Sacrament are the true Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. This precious gift of God’s grace is to be received in a sense of reverent awe after careful self-examination. The Bible defines that self-examination as a personal recognition of the real presence of Christ’s Body and Blood in the Sacrament, and a repentant acknowledgment of my own sinfulness recognizing my absolute dependence upon Christ as the only source of forgiveness for my sin. Scripture further instructs that our participation in Christ’s Body and Blood together is the most profound and powerful way for Christians to acknowledge their unity in the faith. That is to say, when we share in the Body and Blood of Jesus at this altar, we are thereby indicating our common commitment to all of the doctrines of God’s Word as they are taught in this congregation. Because of these Biblical convictions, we respectfully request that visitors, who wish to join us in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ and thereby identify with our confession of Bible truth, speak with one of our pastors before attending the Lord’s Supper.

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## Bible Class & Sunday School ... *Resumes April 12:*

### **8:15 AM** – *not meeting today*

**Genesis:** The Beginning of All Things – A study of Creation in Scripture (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

### **10:45 AM** – *Adults, not meeting today*

**How Should We Worship God? What Kinds of Music? Contemporary Or Traditional? Where Does the Liturgy Come From? Bring Your Questions & Comments...** (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

**Enduring Faith:** This adult class looks at the lessons the children are learning, with an adult perspective. New members and parents of Sunday School children are encouraged to come. All are welcome. (Bill Prestwood, C102)

**Lutheran Confessions:** Our Lutheran Confessions were developed out of a genuine concern with false teachings obscuring the glory and merit of our Savior. These unconditional affirmations are as understandable and poignant today as when they were written. Learn their history and development, as well as their relevance in the daily life of a Christian. Through discussion, you will see how others are asking the same questions and how Scripture offers solid, reliable answers. (James Kriegel, C101)

**Women's Bible Study** – *Altogether Beautiful: A Study of the Song of Songs*, by Heidi Goehmann (published by Concordia Publishing House). Walking through this study, you will learn how beautiful God sees you, but more important, you'll learn to ground your identity in the one who makes you beautiful—Jesus Christ. (Sarah Baughman, Family Room, Church)

**Applying Scripture to Current Events:** This class for young adults will focus on today's headlines and current events and discuss these topics in light of scripture and how the verses covered each week apply to everyday life. (Adam White, C106)

**The Church Militant: God's Work in History:** Picking up from the history of the early Church, we continue the history of how God preserved His Word within the medieval Church and brought about the Reformation in the 16th century. Combining history and theology, we will explore the connections of the Church past and present. (Karl Baughman, Cafeteria)

### **YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED – 10:45 AM, *not meeting today***

**High School – 4:12 Youth Room**

**7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – C105**

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade – C103**

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade – C113**

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – C116**

**1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – C115**

**Kindergarten – B110**

**3 & 4 yrs – B109**

**18 mos. – 3 yrs – B111**

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by the Confirmation Class of 2026.



**Flower Chart is available to sponsor the church flowers for your special occasions!**

Each flower arrangement is \$60. You will find the flower clipboard on the hutch in the narthex. Remember to write a “W” if you want the flowers, or “S” to send them to the sick. Thank you!

**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION:** Remember to log in to your **Breeze** account, and make sure all your contact information is correct – phone numbers, address, email accounts, etc. You can even **add your own PHOTO**. Call the church office if you need help: 713-290-9087.

**Young Adults Bible Study—NOT MEETING this Holy Week; will Resume April 13, Monday—6PM—OSL Youth Room:** This group is young adults (both married and single). *We are studying the Gospel of Mark*. We’ll have snacks and refreshments as we gather to study and visit. Please tell your friends!

**REVELATION Bible Study—NOT MEETING this Holy Week; will Resume April 13, Monday, 7:00pm - 8:30pm in the Bible Class Room with Pastor White.** Everyone is welcome! There will be light snacks beginning at 6:30pm, with the study starting at 7pm. Join us for God’s Word and great Christian fellowship. **ZOOM option:** Go to <https://osl.cc/mondaynight-biblestudy>. For the best experience, *please download the Zoom app* on your phone or computer. Contact Bill Prestwood with any questions: [bprestwood@osl.cc](mailto:bprestwood@osl.cc) or 806-626-5244.



**WEEKLY MEN’S BIBLE STUDY** – All men are invited on **Wednesday** mornings in the Bible Class Room, at 6:30-7:30am, or join by **ZOOM** through <https://osl.cc/menalive>. Contact Channing Wood at [channing@toddyblends.com](mailto:channing@toddyblends.com).

**PASTOR WHITE’S WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS will NOT MEET this Holy Week!** Class will resume April 8, from 10:00-12:00 with a break in the middle. We are studying *Romans, Chief Part of the New Testament and the Very Purest Gospel*. Food and fellowship provided of course!

**ZOOM BIBLE STUDY THURSDAYS** – *“The Word on the Web” Bible study is taking a pause.* We will resume our online study on a later date.

**SHUT-IN MEMBER VISITS** – *Do you know of someone that is not able to make it to church and wants a visit?* Please contact Pastor Cholak: 713-290-9087 or [scholak@osl.cc](mailto:scholak@osl.cc).

**CART CREW DRIVERS NEEDED!** Please consider joining a Cart Crew Team! You must be 16 or older and have a valid driver’s license. Please contact the church office 713-290-9087, or Andy Adams [aadams@adamsins.com](mailto:aadams@adamsins.com), to add your name to the list.

**GREETERS NEEDED to serve the Lord with gladness!** Get to know your fellow church family. Call Garry Stuhr for information: 281-704-7129.



**SOUND CREW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** If you can push a button, you can be on the Sound Crew. Just give us a call or email: 713-290-9087 or [church@osl.cc](mailto:church@osl.cc). *We need the help!*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED in Audio-Visual Ministry:** Learn from a “hands on” perspective, call 713-290-9087, leave your name and number, and we will contact you. No experience necessary.

**RECYCLE PAPER** in the bin which is in the back parking lot to the north.

**Men Alive Donuts & Coffee:** Donuts are provided between church service and Sunday school and are a gift to all our congregation. We are grateful for Free Will offerings as they help the church by offsetting cost. Christ did not exclude the children from his Grace! Scan this QR Code or Search: menalive@osl.cc



**The Stitches Fellowship Group meets on Tuesdays in the Family Room starting in April.**

**Calling for Cross-stitchers!** If you are interested in helping make the Chrismon ornaments for our Sunday School children, we are looking for stitchers! The patterns are simple and we will provide you with the materials. If interested, please contact Sarah in the church office.



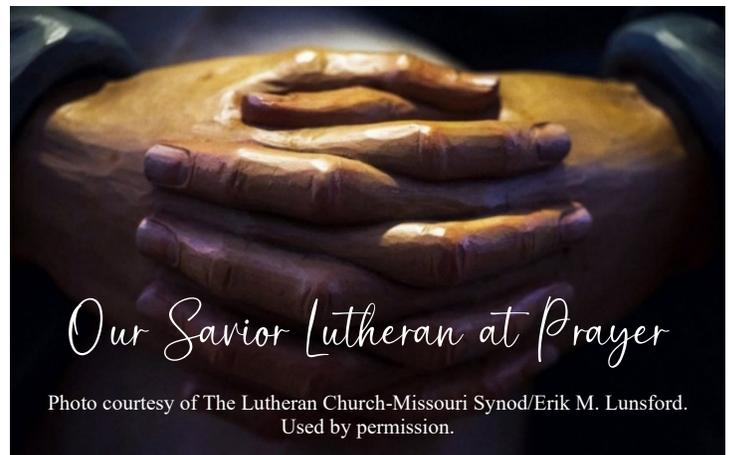
**HELP! We Ran Out of Blankets!** We give out **baby blankets** weekly to the **Blue Blossom Buses & Office**. If you can sew, we need hemmers! If you want to crochet, we will teach you! Please volunteer to join the blanket ministry! Call Ethelene: 713-849-9266 or 713-542-7534. **Also, HCFL needs part-time Bus drivers!** Call Christine: 713-395-1330.



**Our Savior Lutheran at Prayer:** Subscribe to this short daily devotion and prayer that is published daily during the school year. Devotions are delivered directly to your email inbox, usually in the morning. Use QR code or go to our website:



[www.osl.cc/oslatprayer](http://www.osl.cc/oslatprayer)



**Goju-Ryu Traditional Karate:** Private & small group lessons – Contact Nathan Work, Instructor of 23 years: 281-222-9284 or nathanwork0@gmail.com.

## Do you love to look at God's creation at night?

Are you interested in learning how to use a telescope and see planets, stars, and constellations? The Astronomy Club meets once a month (*usually during the new moon*) to look up at the stars and see God's handiwork.

We have a **WhatsApp group - OSL Astronomy Club**. In this social media group, we will discuss times and dates for future events, communicate weather cancellations, plan trips to the George Observatory, and more! Join us with the QR code. Contact Bill Prestwood for further information.



**Thrivent insurance holders:** Please direct your Thrivent dollars to **OSL** this month of March or they will be lost. **Thanks!**



## *We're Growing...Teachers Needed!*

Our Savior Lutheran School is seeking certified teacher candidates for the 2026–27 school year who are passionate about sharing Christ and excited to teach in a classical school environment. We are currently looking to fill the following positions:

- **Two Early Childhood teachers**
- **Two Logic School teachers**

Candidates should be LCMS members in good standing and interested in becoming part of our congregation. Those who are interested or would like to recommend a candidate are encouraged to contact:

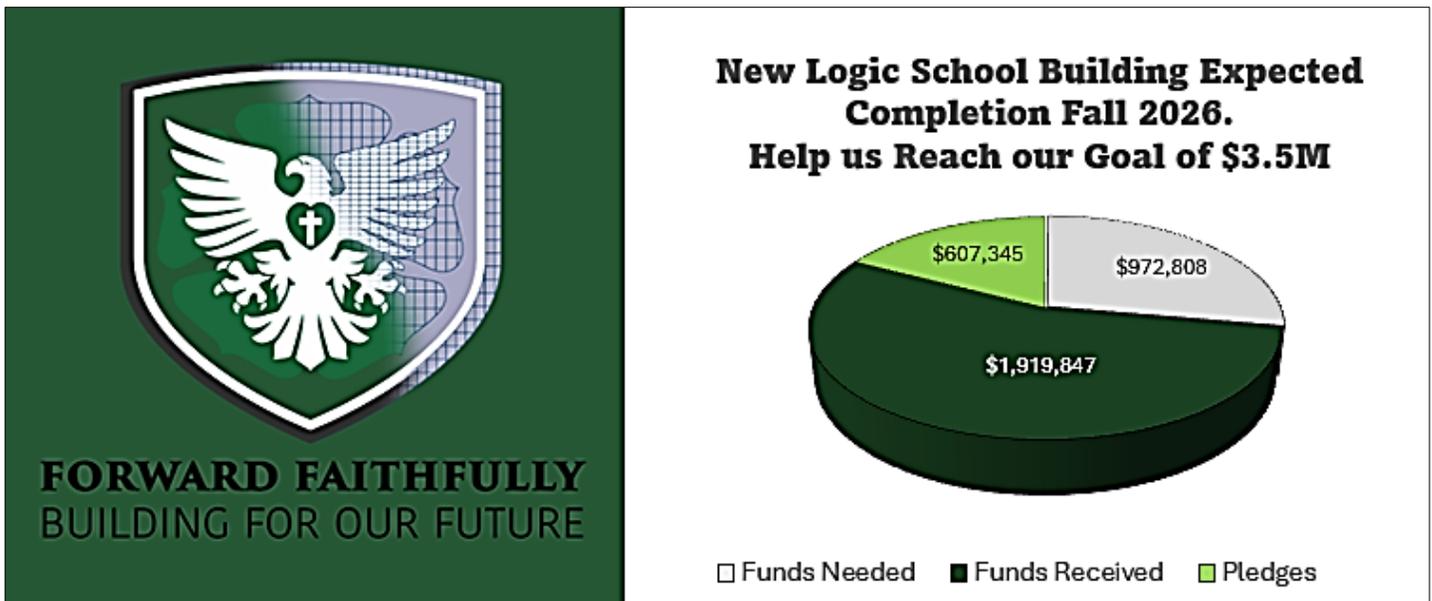
Lynette Cherington – lcherington@oslschool.org

Jeanene Lunsford – jlunsford@oslschool.org



OUR SAVIOR  
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

*We greatly appreciate recommendations from our congregation members!*



**We have exciting news to share!** As you may have heard, all permits from the City of Houston to proceed with the building construction of the new Logic School facility are now APPROVED! In the coming weeks, our construction partner, Paradigm Construction, will be proceeding with all due speed.

We are eager to see steel beams start rising from the site over the next few weeks! As construction proceeds in earnest, we now turn to **finishing the job of fundraising for the Logic School Building.**

The support from the entire OSL community has been strong from the start of this project. \$1.24M has been pledged so far, and we have received \$635K of these pledges. In addition, \$261K stand-alone donations have been made, and Our Savior Lutheran Church has committed more than \$1M through budgetary expenditures over the last three budget years. In summary, approximately \$2.5M of the estimated \$3.5M cost of the Logic School building has been pledged or received.

Now is the time to finish the work! **We still need to raise over \$1M to fully fund the project.** If you have not made a pledge to date, we ask that you prayerfully consider making a three-year pledge to fully fund this project. If you have already made a pledge, we would ask that you please consider extending or increasing that pledge.

**We are designating Sunday, May 3, 2026, as PLEDGE DAY.** OSL will host a special worship service dedicated to the ministry of Our Savior Lutheran School, and we ask that all pledges be made on or before PLEDGE DAY. To start giving now, please use the link below or the QR code on the attached Pledge Form. We look forward to celebrating with you at this special worship service. **Please save the date and watch for additional details in the coming weeks.**

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and support for Our Savior Lutheran School and the new LOGIC BUILDING! It is our joy and privilege to continue to *Serve Families for Jesus Christ.*

*For your prayerful consideration...*



**FORWARD FAITHFULLY**  
BUILDING FOR OUR FUTURE

## Pledge Form

In support of Our Savior Lutheran School, it is my/our intention to direct the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the ***Forward Faithfully, Building for Our Future*** campaign that will provide six new classrooms in the newly constructed Logic School Building serving scholars in grades 6-8. *All donations are 100% tax deductible.*

I/We understand that the gift described in this agreement will be designated to the ***Forward Faithfully, Building for Our Future*** campaign.

Payable:  One-time gift  Over 3 years  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
(description)



Cash

Check *Please indicate "Forward Faithfully Building" in the memo line*

Online Payment: Click [here](#) for link. OR *QR code links to online giving for credit card or ACH submission*

Initial payment: \$\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

Balance paid:  Annually  Quarterly  Monthly  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print or publish my/our name: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We wish to remain anonymous. Please do not print or publish my/our name.

Sincerely yours,

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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***Soli Deo Gloria!***

**MEASURE OF DEVOTION:** Last week Sunday, we had 419 people in attendance (last year 388); online we had 705 viewers. Lent Wednesday we had 124 (last year 137); online 478.

### Our Ministry Challenge

Tithes & Offerings for last week .....	\$ 24,958.25
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 12.....	\$ 412,025.88
Tithes & Offerings needed each week .....	\$ 43,385.00
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 12 .....	\$ 520,620.00
Special Contributions to date .....	\$ 147,345.96

*“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” Malachi 3:10*

## Those To Serve:

**Today, Sunday, March 29, at 9:30 AM • Palm Sunday**

**ELDERS:** Brad Whiting / Bradley Synnott / Glenn Frazier / Ken Thompson  
**USHERS:** Symcox Team  
**SOUND:** Witt  
**CARTS:** Work Team  
**ACOLYTES:** William Garcia / Jordyn Petree / Katie Ripple / Megan Ripple / Noelle Synnott

**ALTAR GLD:** —  
**COMM. ASST:** —

**EVANGELISM:** Team 3 Kriegel  
**GREETERS:** TEAM 3: Cherington / Guevara  
**MUSIC:** Carillon Ringers / Jubilate Choir / Exultae Brass  
**VIDEO:** Adam White / Christian White / Wesley White



**Next Week, Sunday, April 5, at 9:30AM • Easter**

Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube  
 Symcox Team  
 T. Wilbanks  
 Gavin Team  
 Anna Daniel / Katrin Daniel / Trip Halbert / Eli Morris / Wesley White  
 Jeanene Lunsford Team 7 / Vickie Nitsch Team 9  
 Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube / James Kriegel  
 Team 5 Malson  
 TEAM 5: Friedrich / Kriegel  
 Arpeggio / Jubilate Choir / Carillon Ringers  
 Adam White / Christian White / Wesley White



EASTER SUNDAY

**Maundy Thursday, April 2, at 7:00 PM**

**ELDERS:** Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube  
**SOUND:** J. Wilbanks  
**EVANGELISM:** Team 3 Kriegel  
**ALTAR GLD:** Ann Putman Team 1  
**COMM. ASST:** Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube / James Kriegel  
**VIDEO:** Adam White / Christian White / Wesley White

**USHERS:** Halbert Team  
**CARTS:** Adams Team  
**ACOLYTES:** Sydney Leamon / Sophia Williams  
**MUSIC:** Carillon Ringers / Jubilate Choir

**GREETERS:** TEAM 4: Copeland / Downie



MAUNDY THURSDAY

**Good Friday, April 3, at 12:00 PM • Noonday**

**ELDERS:** Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube  
**USHERS:** Downie Team  
**SOUND:** Greenwood  
**CARTS:** Pampell Team  
**EVANGELISM:** —  
**ACOLYTES:** —  
**GREETERS:** —  
**MUSIC:** —  
**VIDEO:** Adam White / Christian White / Wesley White



**Good Friday, April 3, at 7:00 PM • Tenebrae**

Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube  
 Gobrogge Team  
 Greenwood  
 Downie Team  
 Team 5 Malson  
 Brynn Burttschell / Austin Pugh  
 TEAM 6: Edwards  
 Jubilate Choir  
 Adam White / Christian White / Wesley White



# OSL at a glance

## Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026

<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Bible Class	8:15am	Bible Class Room
Confirmation Class-YR	8:15am	Youth Room
<b>Palm Sunday - Confirmation</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
Processional Drama	10:45am	Outside



## Monday, March 30, 2026

### Tuesday, March 31, 2026

Bulletin Deadline	12:00pm	Church Office
Parochial Ed-BC	7:00pm	Bible Classroom

### Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Men's Bible Study-BC	6:30am	Bible Class Room
<b>Chapel - Sanctuary</b>	<b>8:15am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
Prayer Request printing deadline	3:00pm	Church office
Carillon Ringers	6:15pm	Choir Loft
Jubilate Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary	7:00pm	Choir Loft

### Maundy Thursday, April 2, 2026

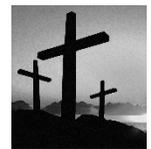
<b>Chapel - Sanctuary</b>	<b>8:15am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
Last Supper Drama	6:40pm	Narthex
<b>Maundy Thursday Communion Service</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
Gethsemane Drama	8:15pm	Outside



### Good Friday, April 3, 2026

*Church Office Closed*

<b>Good Friday Noonday Service</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
<b>Good Friday Tenebrae Service</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
Crucifixion Drama	8:30pm	Outside



### Saturday, April 4, 2026

Orchestra and Choir Practice	9:00am	Bible Class Room & Church
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### Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

Easter Breakfast Youth Fundraiser	8:00am	Cafeteria
Bible Class	8:15am	Bible Class Room
<b>Easter Service - Communion</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
Empty Tomb Drama & Egg Hunt	10:45am	Outside



**Schedule Your Tithe!** Use the OSL app, free in the App Store. No monthly fee; No set up fee; No hidden fees; Lowest processing rates that continue to drop as your giving increases. All credit and debit cards (including AMEX) are processed at 2.3% + .30 cents per transaction. All ACH donations are 1% with no cents. There is also a "GIVE" link at the top of our website: [www.OSL.cc](http://www.OSL.cc)

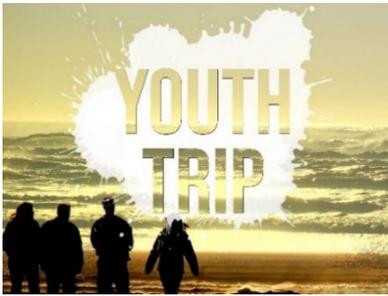
It is our pleasure to invite you to attend the Gala as our guest. A table of 12 has been tentatively reserved for **Our Savior Lutheran Church**. *Reservation deadline is Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.*

WHAT: **40 Days for Life National Gala** featuring **Glenn Beck**

WHEN: **Saturday, April 25, 5:30pm cocktails, 7:00pm dinner**

WHERE: Houston Marriott Marquis (1777 Walker St)

RSVP: Get tickets NOW at [40daysforlife.com/gala](http://40daysforlife.com/gala)



***IT'S TIME to register for the 2026 Summer Youth Trip Registration to Galveston!***

OSL 8th Grade Graduates through 12th Grade Graduates are invited to the summer youth trip on Galveston Island—**June 29-July 2**.

We will be joining Memorial Lutheran (Houston), Grace Lutheran (Brenham), Bethlehem Lutheran (William Penn), and Saint John Lutheran (Galveston) Youth Groups for Bible Study, island fun, and fellowship. Pastors Cholak, Moerbe, Ogrodowicz, and Krieg will be presenting.

Participants will stay at a beach house on the island and have activities at Saint John Lutheran Church and various attractions on the island. One afternoon will be spent at the Schlitterbahn Waterpark. ***We will be holding an ALL-parent meeting on April 12 in the Youth Room immediately following Sunday School. All participants and at least ONE parent MUST be in attendance. Register Now!***



**TEXAS LUTHERAN MEN'S CONFERENCE: *April 17-19, 2026***

This year's Texas Lutheran Men's Conference topic will be "The Vocations of Man." Come hear pastors Steven Cholak, Brian Kachelmeier, and Bryan Wolfmuehler speak about man as father, husband, and neighbor. Information about the retreat, and how to register, can be found at <https://www.stpaulaustin.org/retreat2026/>.

**"The Music Man" at Memorial Lutheran School – Wednesday, April 15!** Calling all senior citizens! Join us at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, April 15, for a special matinee performance of "The Music Man" at Memorial Lutheran School, 5800 Westheimer Road. Senior citizens will receive V.I.P. treatment which includes cheesecake, coffee, soft drinks and snacks. The 1:00 pm show will end by 3:30 pm. Cost of admission is a freewill donation. Contact Paul Stuenkel at [paul@paulstuenkel.com](mailto:paul@paulstuenkel.com), or call Memorial Lutheran School at 713-782-4022, before April 10, to let us know that you're coming.



# Houston Coalition for Life

21st ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER — April 10, 2026

## *Forget Me Not Because They Still Need Us*

**Friday, April 10, 2026**

*Silent Auction viewing at 5:00PM*

**Bayou City Event Center**

9401 Knight Rd, Houston, TX 77045

*Seating begins at 6:30PM*

*Dinner at 7:00PM*

Get your tickets now at:

**[HCL2026.givesmart.com](https://HCL2026.givesmart.com)**



REVEREND LAURENCE WHITE  
RETIREMENT COMMEMORATION

Save

45 years with OSL

JUNE 14, 2026

5000 W TIDWELL RD  
HOUSTON, TX 77091

the Date

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

WANT TO HELP?

PASS THIS DATE ON TO EVERYONE! HAVE SOMEONE'S  
EMAIL AND/OR ADDRESS WHO USED TO ATTEND OSL?

SCAN THE QR CODE OR EMAIL JLOWERY@OSL.CC TO  
GIVE THEIR INFO. RSVP COMING SOON...



OSL Women's Retreat

at  
Trinity Pines Conference Center

4341 Fm 356 | Trinity, TX 75862



in the  
Chafin Lodge

Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

Enjoy a time of Godly **encouragement, laughter, and relaxation**  
in the beautiful outdoors. Worship together on Sunday, led by Pastor Chryst.  
No linens needed, as hotel style accommodation is provided.

Our speaker is **Rev. Thomas Chryst**.  
Pastor Chryst will be presenting on  
**Joy.**

*Joy in times of...joy  
Joy in times of...sorrow  
Rejoicing always, in Christ!*



Registration Fee: **\$150**

Registration Deadline: **March 29, 2026**

Please fill out the form below and return to the church office with your payment.

*Scan the code to  
register online!*



**You, too, can be in our Live-Action Dramas  
during Holy Week!**



*We need disciples, townspeople, angels and more...  
Contact Channing Wood, call/text: 281-236-8105*



# Holy Week: **Live Action Dramas**

*following the Worship Services*

**Palm Sunday, March 29 @ 9:30 am**



**Maundy Thursday**

**April 2 @ 7:00 pm**

Lord's Supper before service @ 6:40pm;  
Gethsemane Drama outside @ 8:00 pm



**Good Friday-Tenebrae**

**April 3 @ 7:00 pm**

Crucifixion Drama @ 8:00 pm, outside on the hill

**Easter, April 5 @ 9:30 am**

**See the women find the empty tomb and encounter the Risen Christ. He is RISEN! He is RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!**

*Our Savior Lutheran Church*



**Celebrate the joy of our risen Christ** with flowers in memory of, or in celebration of loved ones, or a special occasion. Your dedication will be printed in the Easter service bulletin. Fill out this form and give it to the church office (*by mail, offering plate, or email: sbaughman@osl.cc*). Each lily or mum is \$15.00. Checks are to be made out to OSL. Flowers may be picked up after the Easter Service, *or from the church office Tuesday–Friday, April 7-10.* **Dedication deadline for the bulletin is TODAY, Palm Sunday, March 29.**

Yes, I would like \_\_\_\_\_ plant(s) @ \$15.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedication: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



invite your  
family & friends  
to join us for  
holy week



### ***Maundy Thursday***

*Jesus gives us the New Covenant  
in His Body & Blood*

*Drama in Narthex @ 6:40pm*

**April 2 @ 7:00 PM**

*With Holy Communion*

*Gethsemane Drama Outside @ 8:15pm*



### ***Good Friday, April 3***

**Noonday @ 12:00 PM**

**Tenebrae @ 7:00 PM**

*Service of Darkness and Meditation at the  
Stations of Christ's Cross*

*Drama Outside @ 8:30pm*



### **easter sunday**

*Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen, Indeed!*

**April 5**

**Breakfast @ 8:00 AM**

*Youth Fundraiser in cafeteria*

**Communion Service @ 9:30 AM**

*Empty Tomb Drama & Kids Egg Hunt  
@ 10:45am (bring your basket)*



**"worthy is the lamb who was slain,  
to receive power and wealth and  
wisdom and might and honor and  
glory and blessing!"**

**OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**