

Introduction

A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

> Our Saviour Lutheran Church 300 West Fowler Ave., West Lafayette 743-2931 www.osluth.org Pastor Randy Schroeder

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> > June 9, 2024, 10:00 А.М.

All are welcome here All people of faith, All people of doubt All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression All people who seek a compassionate community

> *All are welcome here* Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks Welcome to serve God and neighbors

All are welcome here All are redeemed by a gracious God



The Gathering

Prelude Music

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (setting by Alice Jordan, 1984 Broadman Press) God of Grace (setting by Paul Manz, 1974 Concordia Publishing House)

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 130, written by Rev. Nancy J., and posted on her wonderings through life and other such nonsense. <u>http://ruminari.wordpress.com/</u>)

- RB Lift up your voice and call out to God.
- C We cry out, believing that God hears us.
- RB Come together and wait for God.
- C We come together, trusting that God is still speaking.
- RB Surely God's presence is here with us now.
- C We wait in hope, for God's steadfast love lifts our hearts.
- RB Come, worship the Lord.
- C We celebrate the power of God that restores us.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- RB Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C Amen.
- RB Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

RB God, our provider,

C help us.
It is hard to believe there is enough to share.
We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.
We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.
We take offense at your teachings and your ways.
Turn us again to you.
Where else can we turn?
Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.
Amen.

- RB Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, 中 the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C Amen.

Gathering Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 705: God of Grace and God of Glory



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Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

Greeting

- RB The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

RB All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Sit

The Word

L A reading from the book of Genesis.

Genesis 3:8-15

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers;

he will strike your head,

and you will strike his heel."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130 (Read responsively by whole verse)

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.
² Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
³ If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
⁴ But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.
⁵ I wait for the LORD; my soul waits, and in his word I hope; ⁶ my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.
⁷ O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.
⁸ It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

L A reading from the book of 2 Corinthians.

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

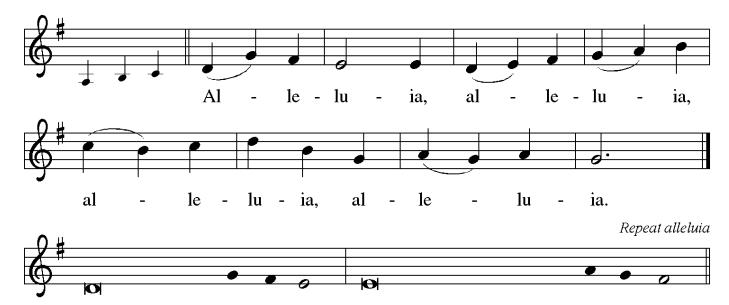
¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation



The ruler of this world will be [|] driven out.* And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people [|] to myself.

RB The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the third chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus went home;] ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

RB The Gospel of our Lord.

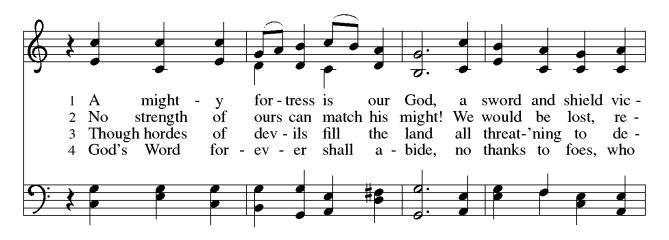
C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Peter Bunder

Stand

Hymn of the Day, ELW (red), hymn 504: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God





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All rights reserved. Used with permission. under OneLicense.net, License # A-702953 I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body. and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers

- A We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world. (*A brief silence.*) You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age especially Columba, Aiden, and Bede whom we commemorate today. Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community. Merciful God,
- **C** receive our prayer.
- A Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation. Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

- A Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness especially John and Jeanette, Danny D., Zarema, Zera, and their family in Crimea, Zach, Lynn, Lawrence, Nathan and Haley, Jeanette, Sheila, Suzanne, Jean, and Megan. With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse, and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.

- A Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A May your Spirit surround us as we discern our way forward as OSLC. Help us to listen, notice, and connect to your Spirit's leadership. You have called us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we may go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love is supporting us. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- A Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you. Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- RB Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spir it and the love of Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

Peace

- RB The peace of Christ be with you always.
- **C** And also with you.

The Meal

As we prepare to receive Holy Communion, please read the following:

For today's distribution of Holy Communion, after the Invitation to the Table, the presiding pastor will invite the worship assistants (lector, assisting minister, usher) to commune behind the altar. The presiding pastor will then commune those worshiping online and those in the sanctuary who wish to commune in their pews. Then the presiding pastor will commune those who wish to come up to the altar while the Lamb of God is played.

Offering

Please feel free to send your regular tithe in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (Ted Heise is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option. His email address is **theise@panix.com**)



Stand

Offering Prayer

A Jesus, Bread of life,

you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

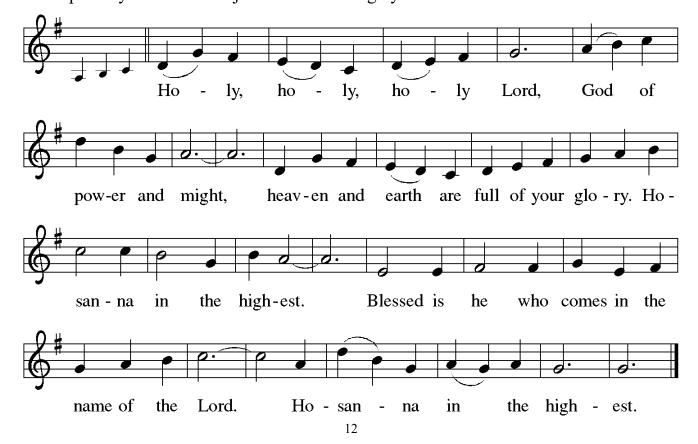
C Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

- RB The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- RB Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- RB Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

RB It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



RB Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

> 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 death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen**

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C Amen.
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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

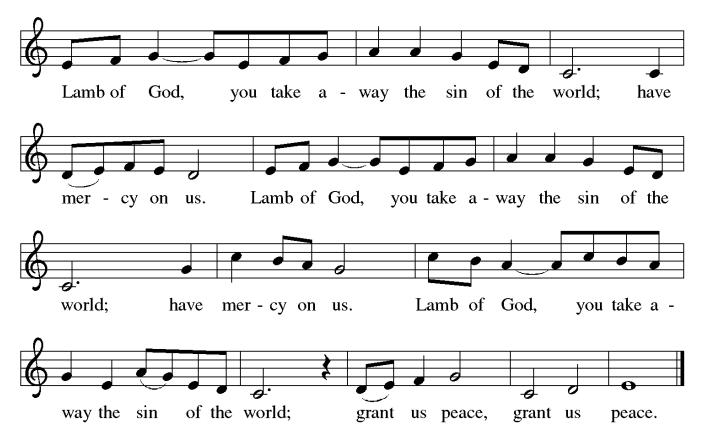
Invitation to Communion

RB The table set by Jesus is open to all, and in resurrection Christ is present in this simple food and festive drink. Jesus welcomes friends and strangers to this feast, where the grace of God's love and goodness meet us wherever we are. Here we are welcomed, affirmed, and celebrated with the gifts of God, for us, the people of God.

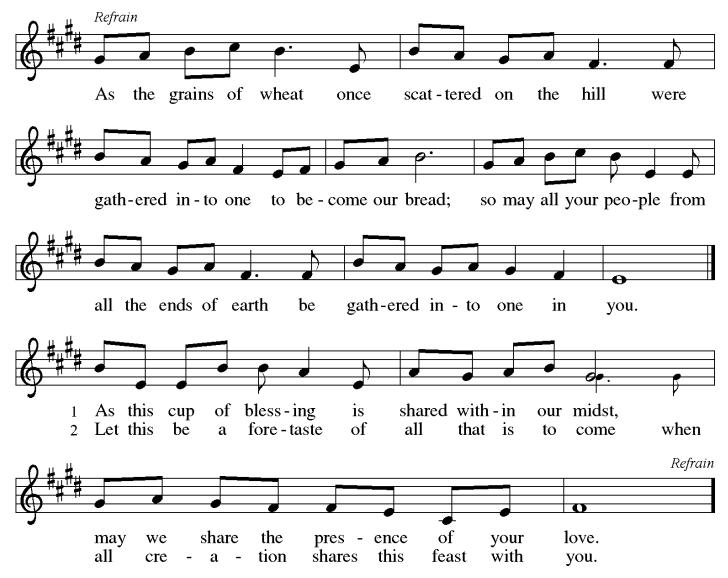
Distribution

There are gluten-free wafers and grape juice. Please indicate your need to the server.

Lamb of God



Communion Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 465: As the Grains of Wheat



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Stand

- RB The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and for ever.
- С Amen.

Prayer after Communion

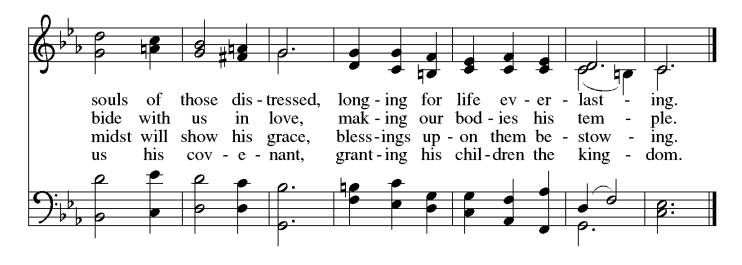
- А Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.
- С Amen.

The Sending

An Invitation

Sending Hymn: ELW (red), Hymn 652: Built on a Rock





5 Through all the passing years, O Lord, grant that, when church bells are ringing, many may come to hear your Word, who here this promise is bringing:
"I know my own, my own know me; you, not the world, my face shall see; my peace I leave with you. Amen."

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Blessing

RB The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

+ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

Dismissal

- A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

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Worship Assistants Today: Julie Huetteman (Musician), Kathy Heise (Cantor), Dick Rahdert (Assisting Minister), Kathy Grogan (Lector), Jesse Grogan (Usher), Bob Nielsen (A-V Specialist), Steve Belter (Assistant to Bob Nielsen)

Pastor Randy is available for pastoral care. Please contact him at: 260-402-4476 or by email: randy@osluth.org

Pastor Kristin is available for campus ministry-related care and support. Please contact her at: 262-758-1235 or by email: pastor@plm.org

We collect toiletries (travel size) to donate to the homeless shelter. The basket for your donations is in the narthex. (Look beneath the buffet.)

Our sanctuary is served by a hearing loop. Wearers of hearing aids should turn their aids to the setting marked T, or T-coil, or Telephone.

Kid's Worship Bags and Family Room: The kids' worship bags have been updated with new items that help children follow along with the worship service, storybook Bibles and fun activities to do. For little ones there are quiet toys, books, and activities in the family in the back of the church for the children to play with during the service. Please feel free to let your children explore.

Dates OSLC is Closed in 2024:

July 4: Fourth of July September 2: Labor Day November 28 and 29: Thanksgiving December 24 and 25: Christmas December 31 and January 1 (2025): New Years

Centering Prayer Group

Join us every Monday morning for Centering Prayer online via zoom from 9:00 - 9:30 am. The zoom link will be sent out on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

Luncheon Lectio Divina- Praying with Scripture

Join us every Wednesday at noon via zoom for Lectio Divina. The zoom link will be sent on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

Pints with Pastor

Pints with a Pastor is returning! We will meet at Nine Irish Brothers (119 Howard Ave., West Lafayette, IN 47906) at **6:30pm on Tuesday, June 18th**. <u>Please RSVP by Tuesday at noon-by emailing me at randy @osluth.org or giving me a call @ 260-402-4475</u>, so we know how many tables/much space to reserve.

Church Picnic

All are welcome to join us on June 23rd at Columbian Park at 12:00PM for Park Prayer service and eat lunch at 12:20PM. (We will have a 10AM worship at OSLC and invite people to come after worship.) We will be gathering in the Yellow Shelter #3. In honor of our 65th church anniversary, we will have a special prayer service in recognition of our years of ministry before we eat. Carl Behnke is preparing the main meat dish. We are asking that you please bring a dish to share. There is a signup sheet outside the office to let us know how many in your group plan to attend and what you are bringing, or you can click on the link to use the Signup Genius. <u>Church Picnic Sign up</u>

Please let us know by June 16th so we can plan accordingly. This event is a great opportunity to invite friends and or neighbors to a fun OSLC activity!

Aviator's Baseball Game Outing

Join us on July 21st at 3:00 p.m. for a fun afternoon of fellowship and baseball. We have reserved seating at Loeb Stadium in section 108. Tickets are \$8.00 a piece. OSLC will provide a \$5.00 food voucher with each ticket purchased. Make checks out to OSLC, and in the memo line, write Aviators Baseball. You can place your checks in the offering plate or give them to Erin in the office. Because the seats are reserved, an RSVP is required. Please RSVP (no deadline) to guarantee a spot with your OSLC family. You can scan the QR code, click this link, <u>Aviators Baseball</u> <u>Outing</u>, or sign up on the sheet outside the office. Please let Missy know if you have any questions at missy@osluth.org or at 260-402-4477.



Scan to RSVP

Save the Date!

Prophet's Town State Park Outing

On August 11th, you are invited to join us for a fun afternoon at Prophet's Town State Park. We will caravan from the church after the service. We will begin at the farmhouse and barns for a tour, then find a place to have a picnic lunch and end our time at the aquatic center. The cost to get into the park is \$8 a vehicle. Please pack picnic lunches for your group. OSLC will cover the cost of our group getting into the aquatic center. If you have any questions, please contact Missy at <u>missy@osluth.org</u> or 260-402-4477.

About Our Nave

Against the north wall is the Tree of Life, designed by the late liturgical designer Charles Pohlmann and constructed in 1996 by then-OSLC member Ted Marshall. The processional cross was given to OSLC in memory of Jennie Dana. Many of our paraments were designed and hand-woven by OSLC member Bea Stromberg. The west wall is lined with seven wood carvings depicting the life of Christ commissioned from the late Nigerian carver Lamidi Fakeye. At the center of the nave stands a marble baptismal font, a gift from members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The prints of paintings on the east wall are by nationally known liturgical artist He Qi. The center piece is given by the Church Council in honor of Sam Rasmy for his long-time service as Financial Secretary of OSLC. The Last Supper, by Guatemalan artist Angelina Quic Ixtamer, was purchased by the 2014 Guatemala Mission Team. The OSLC logo was redesigned in 2022 with elements reflecting the unique architecture of the sanctuary, the 2019 addition of the south stained-glass window, our affiliation with the ELCA, and the eternal presence of our Lord and Saviour.

References to the Tree of Life are found in both the Old and New Testaments. It has both literal and symbolic meaning for Christians: it is the literal tree of life in Genesis, and in Revelation it represents everlasting life granted to those who display fruits of the spirit and of righteousness aligned with God's principles.

Our Saviour's Vision, Mission, and Values (October 4, 2018)

Vision	God calls us to be a community of discipleship for all, making Christ's love real in our daily lives.
Mission	Grow in faith and Christian calling
	Love and serve God and neighbor
	Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ
Values	Centered in liturgical worship
	Outreach to campus and partnership with Purdue Lutheran Ministry
	Education and mentoring for all ages
	Responsible stewardship of resources
	Care, compassion and service in the local and global community