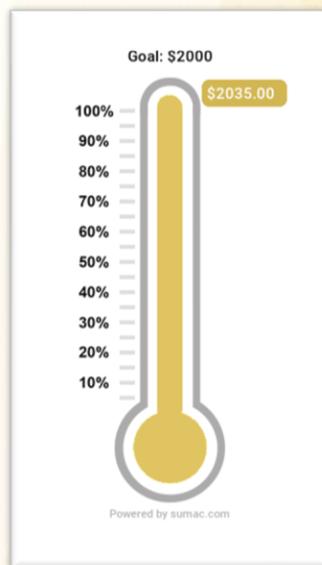


# Our Saviour's *Lutheran*

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During the season of Lent we have been collecting funds for ELCA World Hunger. As of March 21, 2021, we have collected \$2,035.00. Our goal was \$2,000.00. We will continue to collect funds through April 2, 2021.

Thank you for your gifts to ELCA World Hunger.



## Birthdays

- April 2 Jon Davis
- April 4 Laura Tolentino
- April 6 Beckett Kopczynski
- April 10 Pastor Jennifer Zahnow
- April 17 Evelyn Heine
- April 17 Dan Steege
- April 20 Joyce Denzin
- April 27 Mandy Meyers
- April 27 Jennifer Pinson

## Anniversaries

- April 11 Sylvester & Terri Vaughn
- April 12 Ron & Jhana Duncan
- April 15 Orlan & Barbara Grunklee
- April 24 Dan & Darlene Steege

### Community Outdoor Gathering

Saturday, April 17, 2021  
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Bring your own dinner, chair  
and you must wear a face  
covering.

We would love to see you!

Weather and COVID cases permitting.

## Pastor's Message

*"For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory" -Colossians 3:3-4*

*Walt Kallestad in his book, Christian Faith: The Basics, writes: "What Jesus promised to deliver was—and is—victory. Christianity doesn't promise the easiest life, but it does offer the best life. Jesus said, 'I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly' (John 10:10). Jesus keeps that promise and gives us abundant life even in the middle of problems and pain.*

*The Christian life doesn't mean living trouble free. It does mean confidently looking to God despite our circumstances, and relying on God's unfailing love, power, and guidance at work in us and in our lives."*

*How are you living a Christian life? What brings you joy in knowing that Jesus died on the cross, so that you might have life and have it abundantly?*

*Each week we gather safely as a community of believers to hear and participate in Word and Sacraments, so that we can be refreshed and renewed for mission in our daily life. At this time, many of you are vaccinated or in the process of getting vaccinated. At this point, I am not vaccinated along with many others who are still waiting their turn. This means that if I contract COVID-19 my symptoms could be deadly. Once vaccinated, I, or anyone else who contacts COVID-19, would have mild symptoms. The vaccine is not a cure. I fully understand that we want to worship together. As we start worshiping in person, things are going to be a bit different for a while, but not forever. Over time we will get back to what looks to be more normal. It is a process. Please continue to be patient.*

*Worship is a time for fellowship with one another, so that we might know the joy of the risen Messiah in our daily life and in our life together as the community of believers. We are called, gathered and sent to make Christ known in our community, our state and in our world.*

*Christ is alive in our lives every day, not just during the Easter season or on Sunday mornings, so why are we not rejoicing in the good news that Jesus has risen from the tomb and death has no sting? God created this day and every day of our lives, so let us rejoice and be glad in what we have been given and boldly share the good news of the risen Messiah with the world!*

*In Christ,  
Pastor Jennifer*



- On Palm Sunday, March 28, we will focus on Commandment 8 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor." and 9 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house;" Exodus 20:16-17
- On Maundy Thursday, April 1, at 7 pm online, Commandment 10 "You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor." Exodus 20:17
- On Good Friday, Friday, April 2, at 7 pm online we will focus on the Seven Last Words of Christ.
- Easter Sunday April 4, 2021, 10 am online

## Staff

**Pastor:** *The Rev. Jennifer Zahnaw*  
**Director of Music:** *Chelsea Dehn*  
**Organist:** *Kevin Phan*  
**Bell Choir Director:** *Sara Moreno*  
**Interim Office Admin:** *Melissa Pool*  
**Children's Center Director:** *Jennifer Gates*  
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**OSLC Facebook:** [Our Saviour's Lutheran Church-Orange](#)  
**OSLC YouTube:** [Our Saviour's Lutheran Church-Orange](#)



## Congregational Council and committee they serve

**Adult Fellowship:** *Carol Youngman*  
**Christian Ed:** *Kristin Tolentino & Violet Yoshizumi*  
**Finance:** *Bob Hunter*  
**Men's Ministry:** *Lawton Miller*  
**OSCC Board:** *Christine Garcia*  
**Personnel:** *Steven Yoshizumi*  
**Property:** *Steve Vannier*  
**Stewardship:** *Pastor Jennifer*  
**Social Ministry:** *Pastor Jennifer*  
**Women's Ministry:** *Carol Youngman*  
**Worship & Music:** *Christine Garcia*

**President:** *Steve Vannier*  
**Vice President:** *Steven Yoshizumi*  
**Secretary:** *Kristin Tolentino*  
**Treasure:** *Bob Hunter*

## 50 years of love!



*Wishing these two special people a happy  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.  
Dan & Darlene Steege  
April 24*

## Our Saviour's Children's Center

Happy Easter!

We are continuing to grow little by little at OSCC. We are up to 45 children enrolled as of the end of March with a few potential April enrollments. We will be working on Summer and Fall enrollments this month. This will give us a picture as to what we will be looking at for the Summer program as well as the 2021-2022 school year.

Our preschool children participated in the annual Easter Egg Hunt at OSCC and enjoyed it very much. They also are in the midst of their caterpillar to butterfly lessons. They always look forward to releasing the butterflies when they are ready! Thank you again for your support. We appreciate you all!

Jen Gates

## Bible Study

Weekly Bible Study  
Via Zoom  
Wednesday at 6:30 pm

Zoom Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93959432944>

New Series begins April 14.  
See our weekly Newsletter for more information.

## *Report from the President*

Another month just flew by which included the last five weeks of Lent with Easter being the first Sunday in April, April 4. I hope you all have been able to do the online Facebook and/or ZOOM Wednesday evening Lenten service/studies with Pastor Jennifer on the study of the Ten Commandments. I liked the fun quiz which she did at the end of each study. How about you?

We had hoped to have an in-person Easter Sunday church service. Your church council had a special meeting last evening to discuss and determined that we could not be ready for an in-person service because of all that would have to be done as per the Cal/OSHA requirements. So there will be NO in-person church service Easter Sunday. But of course there will be an online Easter Service with a trumpeter making a loud and joyful noise about the risen Christ. So please tune in. As I have said each month (think I am becoming a broken record?), being able to worship online has been a blessing. Hopefully, you all are able to tune in and watch at 10AM Sunday on Facebook, [Our Saviour's Lutheran Church-Orange](#), or watch it later on the church's website, [orangeoslc.org](http://orangeoslc.org), or even later on the [Facebook page](#) or our [YouTube channel](#).

As to when to do an in-person church service, the council and Pastor Jennifer decided to wait and see if some of the requirements might be lifted as the vaccinations are rolling out, plus it would allow more time to put things in place to have services. Our target date now for in-person church service is Pentecost, May 23. So stay tuned as we work to try and make that happen.

Your church council also spent a lot of time last evening reviewing a draft COVID-19 Prevention Program (CPP) pursuant to an Emergency Temporary Standard in place for COVID-19 (California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 8, section 3205(c)). Cal/OSHA is requiring every business/church with employees to put a plan in place. (The Preschool will also be preparing their own plan.) This plan details all the COVID-19 safety requirements which will include all the requirements for in-person worship. We made a lot of progress on the plan but there is still work to be done on it and it is hoped that the council will complete it at the next church council meeting in April. Once the plan is completed and approved it will be available in the church office and training of the staff will be done.

The gathering on Saturday March 20 only saw about 10 people participating. Even though it was a small group it was great to get together. The next gathering is set for Saturday April 17 from 5:30 to 7PM. It would be great if you can make it, but only come if you feel comfortable doing so.

As I reported last month OSLC was approved for a second draw on the PPP. We have received \$82,000. These funds will be used for the next seven payrolls for the preschool and church.

The preschool keeps gaining in their enrollment. They are now up to 45. As things continue to open up from the pandemic it is believed this number will continue to go up. Thank you, Jennifer Gates for keeping up with all the COVID-19 requirements and changes as they happen, keeping the preschool open.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!  
Happy Easter!  
Steve Vannier

## *Resources for Daily Worship at Home*

O Lord, open my lips,  
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

### **PSALMODY**

Give | glory to God, our | light and our life.

**Oh, come, let us worship and praise.**

**Come, let us sing to the Lord: let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the Lord with psalms. For you, Lord, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods. Come, let us sing to the Lord: let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are also yours. The sea is yours, for you made it; and your hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us sing to the Lord: let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand. Come, let us sing to the Lord: let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.**

### **READINGS – CAN BE FOUND ON THE CALENDAR INCLUDED**

#### *Morning Prayer Benedictus*

**In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us. Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel, you have come to your people and set them free. You have raised up for us a mighty Savior, born of the house of your servant David. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us. Through your holy prophets, you promised of old to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us, to show mercy to our forebears, and to remember your holy covenant. This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship you without fear, holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us. And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way, to give God's people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us.**

### **PRAYERS**

Mighty God of mercy, we thank you for the resurrection dawn, bringing the glory of our risen Lord who makes every day new.

Especially we thank you—

for the sustaining goodness of your creation . . .

for the new creation in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness . . .

for the gifts of relationship with others . . .

for the communion of faith in your church . . .

*Other thanksgivings may be added.*

Merciful God of might, renew this weary world, heal the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all in Christ Jesus, the living Lord.

Especially we pray—

for those who govern nations of the world . . .  
for the people in countries ravaged by strife or warfare . . .  
for all who work for peace and international harmony . . .  
for all who strive to save the earth from carelessness and destruction . . .  
for the church of Jesus Christ in every land . . .

Almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us in safety to this new day. Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor be overcome in adversity. In all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**



## **BLESSING**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Almighty God, the Father, ✝ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

**Amen.**

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## *Remember in Prayer*

*Brandon Tolentino and the entire family as they mourn the death of Brandon's father, Gerry Tolentino. Emma Johnson (Michelle Johnson's granddaughter), facing medical issues. Sofia, age 10, (friend of the Embrees), has juvenile kidney disease. Darlene Steege, prayers for healing, as she recovers from a fall. Sylvester Vaughn, Heather Wilkens, Helen Werner, Katie Patriole (best friend of Mavis Crissinger), Marge Boelman, Wes Hayes (next-door neighbor of Janice Bosecke), Lance and Jean Thompson-Hailstone, Kristin Maxwell, Rebekah Simmet, Greg Peck, Evelyn Heine, Joyce Denzin, Bob & Dorothy Daw, Bishops Elizabeth Eaton & Andrew Taylor. All who have been affected by COVID-19, fires and storms. Police officers, firefighters, medical professionals and all who are serving on the front lines during these uncertain times. All military chaplains and all others serving in the military*

# April Daily Bible Readings for Home Worship

SUN                      MON                      TUE                      WED                      THU                      FRI                      SAT

Blessed are you, O God, creator of the universe. You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of love. Your compassion fills your whole creation. With all your creatures, we sing your praise and look to you for life, through Jesus Christ, in whom you make all things new, now and forever. Amen

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	<b>01</b>	<b>02</b>
	Psalm 116	Isaiah
	1 Corinthians	52:13-53:12
	11:23-26	Hebrews
	John	10:16-25
	13:1-17, 31b-35	John
		18:1-19:42
		Romans
		6:3-11
		John 20:1-18

<b>04</b>	<b>05</b>	<b>06</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>08</b>	<b>09</b>	
Acts 10:34-43	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm 133	Psalm 133	Psalm 133
Psalm	118:1-2, 14-24	118:1-2, 14-24	118:1-2, 14-24	Daniel 1:1-21	Daniel 2:1-23	Daniel 2:24-49
118:1-2, 14-24	Genesis 1:1-19	Genesis	Song of	Acts 2:42-47	Acts 4:23-31	John 12:44-50
1 Corinthians	1 Corinthians	1:20—2:4a	Solomon			
15:1-11	15:35-49	1 Corinthians	3:1-11			
Mark 16:1-8		15:50-58	Mark 16:1-8			

<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	
Acts 4:32-35	Psalm 135	Psalm 135	Psalm 135	Psalm 4	Psalm 4	Psalm 4
Psalm 133	Daniel 3:1-30	Daniel 6:1-28	Isaiah 26:1-15	Daniel 9:1-19	Daniel	Acts 3:1-10
1 John	1 John 2:3-11	1 John 2:12-17	Mark	1 John	10:2-19	Luke 22:24-30
1:1—2:2			12:18-27	2:18-25	1 John	
John					2:26-28	
20:19-31						

<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	
Acts 3:12-19	Psalm 150	Psalm 150	Psalm 150	Psalm 23	Psalm 23	Psalm 23
Psalm 4	Jeremiah	Hosea	Proverbs	Genesis	Genesis	Genesis
1 John 3:1-7	30:1-11a	5:15—6:6	9:1-6	30:25-43	46:28—47:6	48:8-19
Luke	1 John 3:10-16	2 John 1-6	Mark 16:9-18	Acts 3:17-26	Acts 4:1-4	Mark 6:30-34
24:36b-48						

<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	
Acts 4:5-12	Psalm 95	Psalm 95	Psalm 95	Psalm	Psalm	
Psalm 23	1 Samuel	1 Chronicles	Micah 7:8-20	22:25-31	22:25-31	
1 John	16:1-13	11:1-9	Mark	Amos 8:1-7	Amos	
3:16-24	1 Peter 5:1-5	Revelation	14:26-31	Acts 8:1b-8	8:11-13	
John		7:13-17			Acts 8:9-25	
10:11-18						

Due to the coronavirus, Our Saviour's has cancelled all onsite services and activities. The church office is only open if you have a scheduled time to meet with Pastor Jennifer. Feel free to leave a message or send an email and Pastor or Melissa will get back to you as soon as possible.

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of our worship service.  
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