



April 26, 2026 | Fourth Sunday of Easter



INFORMATION FOR GUESTS

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP! A warm welcome to our guests this morning. It is a privilege to have you join us as we worship and praise our Savior, Jesus Christ. We want you to feel at home here, so we are providing the following information to make your visit as pleasant as possible.

CHILDREN'S BULLETIN: If you have little ones with restless hands, children's bulletins can be obtained from an usher to help keep the kids occupied.

CONNECTION CARD & MY MINI FORTÉ: When the offering is collected, everyone is asked to fill out the Connect Card found in your bulletin. Please print your address and telephone number on the slip so we can better serve you and provide additional information. We will follow up with you about events and volunteer opportunities using the details you share in the "My Mini Forté" section on the back of the card.

RESTROOMS & WATER FOUNTAINS: Restrooms are located near the front and rear entrances to the sanctuary. Signs are located on the wall.

NURSERY: A nursery, with a qualified attendant, is provided for the care of children 3 years old or younger. It is in the back of the church (Luther Hall) and available during the late service at 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Kids Connect is available for children 4 years old through 5th grade following the children's message in the 10:30 a.m. service. Please pick up your children from the Lakeview Room (Luther Hall) after signing them out. Older kids are asked to attend worship unless scheduled for volunteering.

A SPECIAL INVITATION for everyone to join us in Adult Bible Classes at 9:15 a.m. in the Lakeview Room.

COFFEE IS SERVED: There is coffee fellowship every Sunday from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. in the Breezeway. Come have a cup of joe and enjoy fellowship with one another.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS: Large print bulletins are located in the front entrance of the church (narthex). Please ask an usher for assistance.

RECEIVING COMMUNION: Please see the distribution statement in this bulletin (printed in the Service of the Sacrament after the prayers of the church).

HOW CAN YOU BECOME A MEMBER? If you have a previous membership with a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregation, you can transfer your membership to **Our Savior** by contacting the church office. We will gladly reach out to your previous church to request the transfer. You may also join by profession of faith. New members are welcomed regularly, and New Member Classes are offered year-round. For assistance or additional information, please call the church office at (954) 473-6888.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE at www.oslplantation.church to watch past sermons, read the Weekly Newsletter, view the events calendar, and access our [Facebook Page](#).

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“Serving Christ-Serving Others-Changing Lives”



Prelude

(Bells rung to begin services.)

Announcements

(**P**=pastor, **L**=liturgist, **C**=congregation, **R**=reader, **A**=cantor)

(Please stand)

8 AM Opening Hymn—LSB 719 I Leave All Things to God's Direction



1 I leave all things to God's di - rec - tion; He loves me
2 God knows what must be done to save me; His love for
3 My God de - sires the soul's sal - va - tion; My soul He,
4 My God has all things in His keep - ing; He is the



both in joy and woe. His will is good, sure His af -
me will nev - er cease. Up - on His hands He did en -
too, de - sires to save. There - fore with Chris - tian res - ig -
ev - er faith - ful friend. He gives me laugh - ter af - ter



fec - tion; His ten - der love is true, I know. My for - tress
grave me With pur - est gold of lov - ing grace. His will su -
na - tion All earth - ly trou - bles I will brave. His will be
weep - ing, And all His ways in bless - ings end. His love en -



and my rock is He: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
preme must ev - er be: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
done e - ter - nal - ly: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.
dures e - ter - nal - ly: What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.

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*(8 a.m. attendees, please proceed to the **Invocation** on **p.6**⇒)*

(Please stand)

10:30 AM Opening Song 1—Battle Belongs

1. **Verse 1**
When all I see is the battle
You see my victory
When all I see is a mountain
You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow
Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now
For I am safe with You
2. **Chorus**
*So when I fight I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You*
3. **Verse 2**
And if You are for me
4. **Chorus**
5. **Bridge (2x)**
(An) Almighty Fortress You go before us
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God
You shine in the shadows
You win every battle
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God
6. **Chorus**

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10:30 AM Opening Song 2—Waymaker

1. **Verse 1**
You are here moving in our midst
I worship You I worship You
You are here working in this place
I worship You I worship You
2. **Chorus (2x)**
*(You are) Way Maker
Miracle Worker Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness
My God that is who You are*
3. **Verse 2**
4. **Verse 3**
You are here touching ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You
You are here healing ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You
5. **Tag**
That is who You are (4x) *(Cont. →)*

6. Bridge (2x)

Even when I don't see it You're working
Even when I don't feel it You're working
You never stop
You never stop working
You never stop
You never stop working

7. Chorus (2x)

*(You are) Way Maker
Miracle Worker Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness
My God that is who You are*

8. Tag

That is who You are (4x)

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Invocation

L In the Name of the Father and of the **+** Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

Confession & Absolution

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

L Let us then *kneel* and confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the **+** Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

*(10:30 a.m. attendees, please proceed to the **Salutation** on [p.7](#))*

Service of the Word

(Please stand)

8 AM—Kyrie (sung)

A *In peace let us pray to the Lord.* **C** **Lord have mercy.**

A *For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*

C **Lord have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord have mercy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C** **Amen.**

8 AM Hymn of Praise—This is the Feast



C This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.



Final Refrain



(Please stand)

Salutation & Collect of the Day

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray. Good God, You bless the persecuted and uphold the oppressed. Commend us with the message of Christ in our times of strife so that we might endure it as He did for us, for He is Jesus, Your Son our Lord. **C** Amen.

(Please be seated)

L The assigned Epistle reading for this Sunday teaches us to follow the model that Jesus set for us whenever we face intimidation; words echoed in the other scriptures lessons for today.

First Reading—Acts 5:29-34, 40-42 Peter and the other apostles replied: “We must obey God rather than human beings! ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead—whom you killed by hanging him on a cross. ³¹ God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might bring Israel to repentance and forgive their sins. ³² We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

³³ When they heard this, they were furious and wanted to put them to death. ³⁴ But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law, who was honored by all the people, stood up in the Sanhedrin and ordered that the men be put outside for a little while. ⁴⁰ His speech persuaded them. They called the apostles in and had them flogged. Then they ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.

⁴¹ The apostles left the Sanhedrin, rejoicing because they had been counted worthy of suffering disgrace for the Name. ⁴² Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah.

R This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Second Reading—1 Peter 2:19-25 For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. ²⁰ But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. ²¹ To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

²² “He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

²³ When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ “He himself bore our sins” in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; “by his

wounds you have been healed.” ²⁵ For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

R This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel *(Please stand)*

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the fifth chapter, verses 10-12, 38-44

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

³⁸ “You have heard that it was said, ‘Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.’ ³⁹ But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. ⁴⁰ And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. ⁴¹ If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. ⁴² Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

⁴³ “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ ⁴⁴ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.

L This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Apostles’ Creed

L Let us with one voice confess our faith saying the Creed...

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

10:30 AM—Children’s Message

(Children may depart for Kids Connect.)

Hymn of the Day—LSB 527 O Savior, Precious Savior



1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, Whom yet un - seen we love;
2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, Who won - drous - ly hast wrought
3 In Thee all full - ness dwell - eth, All grace and pow'r di - vine;
4 O grant the con - sum - ma - tion Of this our song a - bove



O name of might and fa - vor, All oth - er names a - bove,
Thy - self the rev - e - la - tion Of love be - yond our thought,
The glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is Thine.
In end - less ad - o - ra - tion And ev - er - last - ing love;



We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where per - fect prais - es ring,



We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our ho - ly Lord and King.
We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our gra - cious Lord and King.
We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our glo - rious Lord and King.
And ev - er - more con - fess Thee, Our Sav - ior and our King!

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Sermon

Commended for Enduring

1 Peter 2:19-25

Offering and Voluntary

Sharing of the Peace (8 a.m.)

Offering

(Please fill out your Connect Cards.)

10:30 AM Voluntary—Whom Shall I Fear

1. Verse 1

You hear me when I call
You are my morning song
Though darkness fills the night
It cannot hide the light
Whom shall I fear
You crush the enemy underneath my feet
You are my sword and shield
Though troubles linger still
Whom shall I fear

2. Chorus

*I know Who goes before me
I know Who stands behind
The God of angel armies
Is always by my side
The One who reigns forever
He is a friend of mine
The God of angel armies
Is always by my side*

3. Verse 2

My strength is in Your name
For You alone can save
You will deliver me
Yours is the victory
Whom shall I fear
Whom shall I fear
(Whom shall I fear)

4. Chorus

5. Bridge (2x)

(And) nothing formed against me
Shall stand
You hold the whole world in Your hands
I'm holding on to Your promises
You are faithful
You are faithful
(REPEAT)

6. Chorus

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(Please stand)

Prayer of the Church

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and all people according to their needs. *(After each petition, P Lord in Your mercy C Hear our prayer.)*
- P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need grant us for the sake of Him who died and rose again and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament

As we turn our thoughts toward Holy Communion we are reminded that this is a sacrament of God's Grace intended for baptized Christians who believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior, repent or turn from their sins and believe that in and with the bread and wine is Christ's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and strength to live a new life.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Let us pray... **C Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

- P** Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C** **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.**

Words of Our Lord (*Pastor*)

Peace of God

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** And also with you.

Agnus Dei (*sung*)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution (*Please be seated*)

Holy Communion is a gift from God. It is the Lord's Table to which He invites us.

*As we prepare to receive the Sacrament, we might **ask ourselves the following questions:***

- *Do I realize that I am a sinful human being?*
- *Do I understand that our Lord gave His life, His body and blood, for me on the cross that I might be forgiven of my sins and in His resurrection raised me to a new life?*
- *Do I realize that in the Lord's Supper He gives me His true body and blood that I might be assured of forgiveness and that my faith is strengthened that I might serve my Lord and through Him serve others?*

If you are a baptized Christian and share these Biblical truths, please join us in the celebration of the Sacrament. If you have not yet been baptized or received instruction, please come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest to indicate you are not receiving the elements.

General Distribution: For the **8:00 a.m. service**, those who are able may commune at the **altar**.

Individual cups are available **year-round**, while the **Common Cup** is offered **only during special services**.

For the **10:30 a.m. service**, we invite you to participate in the Lord's Supper by joining the **continuous line of communicants** leading to the **foot of the chancel**, as prompted by an usher.

Individual cups are available **year-round**, while the **Common Cup** is offered **only during special services**.

White grape juice is available in the **center of the tray** with the individual cups for those who prefer not to have wine.

Special Distribution:

If you are unable to use the stairs to commune at the altar, please remain seated until a communion assistant

team arrives at the bottom of the stairs. An usher will then guide you forward to receive Communion.

For those who are unable to walk to the front, Communion assistants will bring the elements and commune you at your seat.

8 AM Distribution Hymn—LSB 566 By Grace I'm Saved

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| 1 By grace I'm saved,
grace free and boundless;
My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this word must true remain:
By grace you too will life obtain. | from His heav'nly throne. |
| 2 By grace God's Son, our only Savior,
Came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit
That Jesus died your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone,
That brought Him | 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure? |
| | 6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone. |

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10:30 AM Distribution Song—Be Still My Soul

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| 1. Be still my soul
The Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross
Of grief or pain
Leave to thy God
To order and provide
In ev'ry change
He faithful will remain
Be still my soul
Thy best thy heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways
Leads to a joyful end | 2. Be still my soul
Thy God doth undertake
To guide the future
As He has the past
Thy hope thy confidence
Let nothing shake
All now mysterious
Shall be bright at last
Be still my soul
The waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them
While He dwelt below |
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Dismissal (*Please stand*)

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart **✝** in peace. **C** **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us in faith toward You and in love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** **Amen.**

Benediction (*Pastor*)

Closing Hymn—LSB 813 Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng

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| 1 Rejoice, O pilgrim throng!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
Your festal banner wave on high,
The cross of Christ your king. [Refrain] | 4 Yet on and onward still,
With hymn and chant and song,
Through gate and porch and columned aisle
The hallowed pathways throng. [Refrain] |
| ref Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! | 6 At last the march shall end;
The wearied ones shall rest;
The pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest. [Refrain] |
| 3 With all the angel choirs,
With all the saints on earth
Pour out the strains of joy and bliss,
True rapture, noblest mirth. [Refrain] | |

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L Go in Peace and Serve the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Services



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