

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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PENTECOST 3
(September 18-November 20, 2022)
9:30 a.m. Worship



WHO WE ARE

We are a community grounded in the life and teachings of Jesus.

- We embrace an open approach to every spiritual journey.
- We ask questions together and value every voice.
- We strive for justice through service to the world.

We seek to be transformed by the path we walk together.

WE ARE A RECONCILING IN CHRIST CONGREGATION

We are a community embraced by the mystery of God's love for all creation.

We look for the Christ shining in every race, every child and family shape, every sexual orientation and gender identity, every physical and mental ability, every economic status, and every faith perspective. Within this dynamic community, we foster meaningful connections and experiences as we live into faith and face the issues of our time.

Together, we strive to live with loving hearts, open minds, and hands extended to all.

"... for all of you are one in Christ." – Gal. 3:2

ECCLESIA REFORMATA, SEMPER REFORMANDA

“The Church reformed, always being reformed.” Taken from an idea conceived by St. Augustine, this motto (in current terms, maybe a “vision statement”?) has been used throughout the years by various church leaders, most notably Swiss theologian Karl Barth (1886-1968). While it is most often heard in churches from the Reformed or Presbyterian tradition, it can be helpful to us, as well. Lutherans were birthed out of the sixteenth-century Reformation; but what does it mean to be continually reformed? What role do we play in the church’s perpetual reformation?

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

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WELCOME

L DIALOG OF REFORM [adapted from “A Revolution in Faith” by Lisa Frenz]

There is a revolutionary sitting among us, a person who is working to upset the status quo, change the face of society.

He strips away what is comfortable; he challenges who we think we are. He says, “Do not think that I have come to bring peace on earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.”

Incendiary words, right? When we hear those words, everything changes. The rules are broken, and the foundation of life isn’t as solid as we thought it was.

Touch the untouchables, reach out for the impossible, welcome the unthinkable. Do not be afraid of changes in our thinking, changes in our lives, changes in society.

The revolutionary desires action, not ceremony; risk, not safety.

Reformation is all about risk and changes, about going where Jesus—the revolutionary—leads, not knowing where it will go.

HYMN

L PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition,

L: God who reforms and transforms us,

Hear our prayer.

L EPISTLE

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after the reading;

L: A letter to the beloved community.

A letter to us; we are the beloved community.

Please rise as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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The musical score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The vocal lines are in a soprano and alto range, and the piano accompaniment is in a bass range. The lyrics are 'Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a clear melodic line and harmonic support.

L GOSPEL

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HYMN OF THE DAY

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The community is seated

TEACHING SERMON

SHARING THE PEACE

L: Our understanding of the revolutionary peace of Christ continues to evolve. May this peace be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING OF MUSIC

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Please rise as you are able

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

The community is seated

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Please join in singing the Distribution Hymns

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please rise as you are able

SENDING HYMN

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L SENDING DIALOG

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POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP INSERT

November 20th, 2022

Leading Worship Today

Pastor: Dan Senter
Dir. of Worship/Music: Martin Morley
Liturgist: Dan Nelson
Song Leader: Kristi Bouchard

Prelude:

"O Worship the King" arr. Jeffrey Bennett

First Hymn ELW 842
"O Worship the King" vs 1,2,3

Scriptures

Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 23:33-43

Hymn of the Day ELW 856
"How Great Thou Art"

Offering of Music Handbell Choir
"Finlandia" arr. Joel Raney

Distribution Hymns:
ELW 479,474,477

Sending Hymn ELW 842
"O Worship the King" vs 4,5

Postlude
"Festival Flourish" Charles Callahan

Our current Covid-19 guidelines make masking optional, but still highly recommended. Please distance your seating 6-10 feet from other individuals/family pods.

Peter Pan Foundation Presents The Sound of Music

December 3 & 4, 2:00 and 7:00pm

The sound of music will fill the sanctuary for multiple performances. Come and experience the spirit and energy of this wonderful musical as kids and teens involved in the Peter Pan Foundation bring this story to life. See This Week for link to buy tickets on-line. For our community, we have been given a 10% off code for checkout: C-1035.

Troop 402G Wreath Sales

Sunday, Nov. 27, 10:00-11:00 am

Troop 402G, a local all girls scouting troop, will be selling holiday wreaths at Creekside Commons!

See This Week for more details.

Join us for an
Advent Celebration
for youth (of all ages) and families!

Sunday, November 27th
9:30am
OSLC Courtyard



- Create an advent calendar
- Plant bulbs
- Music
- Snacks and hot chocolate

OSLC High School Youth Bowling Outing

Sunday, Nov. 27, 3:00-4:30 pm
Round1 Amusements in Concord

Please RSVP by November 24th to youth@oslc.net. Please bring \$20 to cover costs (including food!) if you can, but no one will be turned away.

Prayer Requests

For the Kittredge family following the death of Paul's father.

Bob and Pam Ruh as Bob moves to the other side of chemo and radiation treatments and begins an immunotherapy regimen.

For the Fitzpatrick family, mourning the death of Dayme's mother Helen.

Prayers of comfort for April Johanson and family as they mourn the death of Mark Johanson on November 3rd, following a long struggle with alzheimer's.

2 Mission Projects Underway

You all responded so quickly to our annual Adopt-a-Family program as every household and child was assigned last week! In addition, last Sunday, 50 fleece blankets were blessed for distribution to Trinity Center, to help homeless people in Contra Costa County, and Operation Dignity, to support homeless Vets. Thanks to Mary Lou and all who made both these programs happen!



Hello OSLC and Creekside Commons guests!

I'm so excited about how much activity and energy is all around Creekside Commons! Our spaces are full and I keep getting calls about rentals. Dia de los Muertos was a beautiful community event that brought so many new people into our space.

As a reminder, The Springstone School is on site Monday through Friday from 8am-4:15pm (8am-1pm Weds.). Besides the spaces they previously rented, they now also rent Oakview 3 during the school day. If you are coming to Creekside Commons during the weekdays, please make sure you are parking in lot Entry A and entering the building at the Main Entry.

Thanks for your cooperation and understanding!

Kari Speltz

Site Use Coordinator/Admin. Manager

Thank You!

Thank you to the congregation for your gifts, which go out quarterly to local and international ministries. The Mission Outreach Team has made the following distributions on your behalf:

Local ministries: Bay Area Crisis Nursery, Hope Solutions (formerly Contra Costa Interfaith Council Housing), Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, Trinity Center. International ministries are Lutheran World Relief, New Life Band, and Rancho Santa Marta.

Soul Forum Podcast: S2E13 Finding the Collective Body with Brian

Shifting from the idea of the individual soul to a collective soul is a tricky one. In this episode, Dan sits down with an artist who works with found materials to create community art. There is something about the process that provides a window into the way each of us might tap into some sense of a collective soul. Where do we look or listen or journey to tap into a sense of soul that is beyond or beneath the individual perspective? We hope the conversation provides insights as you look a little deeper into the nature of our collective soulbody. Episode releases this Friday.

Listen on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, or anywhere you listen to your podcasts.

Creekside Commons Rentals

Have a birthday, anniversary, special event coming up? Contact kari@oslc.net to rent a room; OSLC members get member pricing. Or check out creeksidecommons.org.

