

OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
Service Bulletin

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Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026

P: Pastor

L: Liturgist

C: Congregation

Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome/Land Acknowledgment/Affirming Statement

**Introduction**

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: 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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**C: God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

WORD

**First Reading – Acts 10:34-43**

## **Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;  
God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup> **Let Israel now declare,  
"God's mercy endures forever."**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.

<sup>15</sup> **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:  
"The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!**

<sup>16</sup> The right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

<sup>17</sup> **I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the Lord.**

<sup>18</sup> The Lord indeed punished me sorely,  
but did not hand me over to death.

<sup>19</sup> **Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.**

<sup>20</sup> "This is the gate of the Lord;  
here the righteous may enter."

<sup>21</sup> **I give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and you have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup> The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

<sup>23</sup> **By the Lord has this been done;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup> This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

## **Second Reading – Colossians 3:1-4**

*(All who are able, please rise.)* Gospel Acclamation –

**C: Alleluia. Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia. (1 Cor. 5:7, 8)**

## **Gospel – John 20:1-18**

SERMON

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

Offertory Prayer

Lord's Prayer – ELW pg. 112

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favour and + give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace and Love. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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Worship Leader	Lauren Aldred
Lector	Eric Elle

## OSLC Calendar of Events:

<b>April 5, 2026</b>	12:30 PM- Worship service with Lauren Aldred (Easter Sunday)
<b>April 12, 2026</b>	12:30 PM- Service of Holy Communion with Rev. Wendy McRae
<b>April 19, 2026</b>	12:30 PM- Worship service with Lauren Aldred 2:00 PM- Explore Art with Lauren Aldred
<b>April 26, 2026</b>	OSLC will not have a worship service this Sunday. All are invited to join in worship with Grace Anglican at 8 AM or 10 AM, for a service of Holy Eucharist. For those wishing to worship on-line, please join with Lutheran Church of the Cross (Victoria) at 10 AM for their live-stream service of Holy Communion <a href="http://www.lutheranvictoria.ca/live">www.lutheranvictoria.ca/live</a>
<b>May 3, 2026</b>	12: 30 PM- Special Resolution meeting followed by Annual General Meeting

**Youth Group:** 2nd Sunday of month (April 12th next youth group), 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM - 2SLGBTQIA+ and Allies Youth Group for ages 15-29 at 2640 Goheen Street, use back basement entrance.

**Food Bank:** Tuesdays, 10AM- Noon, use back basement entrance.

**Tax Receipts:** Please contact Tom Leboe if you are missing your tax receipt.

**BC Synod Gathering: We are One Body- Part 2-** June 5-7<sup>th</sup> in Coquitlam. Our church is invited to send four representatives. If you are interested, please let Joan know before April 14, 2026.

**SAVE THE DATE: May 3, 2026, 12:30 PM-** Special Resolution meeting to approve changes to bylaws and Annual General Meeting.

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**Grace Anglican** warmly invites OSLC to participate in the following activities:

**Plant Sale fundraiser- through Uncle John's Greenhouse- Order before April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026.** See Joan or Grace Church office for details.

**April 4, 2026-** 8:00 AM- Breakfast Club at St. Michael and All Angels

**April 5, 2026-** 10:00 AM- Prayer Group

### **Offering / Giving:**

**Thank you to those who so generously give of their time, talents and gifts. We provide several options for you to contribute. If you require a charitable tax receipt for your donation,** please contact the church office at [oslcospika@gmail.com](mailto:oslcospika@gmail.com) or 250-617-9716 to provide your name, address and email in order to register with us, so we may issue a charitable tax receipt and an envelope number. Tax receipts are issued by February of each year for the previous year.

Giving may be made in the following ways:

- Electronic transfer to [oslcdonation@gmail.com](mailto:oslcdonation@gmail.com) Please provide your envelope number and the purpose of the donation (e.g. general offering, food bank, etc.). We require your contact details in order to issue a tax receipt.
- Cheque: Mailed or placed in church mailbox or donated during Sunday worship service. Please provide: envelope number, if you have one; purpose of donation.
- Cash: Please only provide cash during Sunday morning worship service or during office hours. Place in envelope with details in order to receive tax receipt.

- OSLC website: Canada Helps: [Donate Now - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Prince George \(canadahelps.org\)](https://canadahelps.org) – **Canada Helps will issue a tax receipt directly to you**

Thank you for making a difference in many people's lives through your ongoing financial support and participation in the mission of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church.

## READINGS FOR THE DAY

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### **FIRST READING – Acts 10: 34-43**

<sup>34</sup> Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were

chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **SECOND READING – Colossian 3:1-4**

<sup>1</sup> If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL READING –  
John 20:1-18**

**C: Glory To You, O Lord**

<sup>1</sup> Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the

other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means

Teacher). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

P: The gospel of the LORD.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**