

# Welcome

May 2, 2026 ✠ 5th Sunday of Easter



23290 Highway 7  
Excelsior, MN 55331  
www.oslcs.org 952-474-5181

**Vision** All will know and experience God's love

**Church Mission** To be a welcoming community, rooted in scripture, growing in faith and proclaiming Jesus is the way

**School Mission** To provide a safe environment and faith centered education where children can grow physically, intellectually, emotionally, socially, and spiritually



Restrooms are located downstairs from the back of Church or out the front left door of the Sanctuary and down the hall.



For elevator access, exit the front left door of the sanctuary. Go through the double doors and turn left.



A Hearing Assist system is available in the back of church at the Welcome Center. Please ask an Usher for assistance.



Children's bulletins available for ages 3-6 and 7-12. Activity bags in the back of church can be borrowed and returned after worship.



A space is available if your kids need to move while you watch worship. Exit the front left door of the sanctuary to Room 107.

 church center



Give, register, check-in, see the calendar, livestream and more!

## Sunday Worship

8:15am—Classic Traditions

9:15am—Come downstairs to the Fellowship Hall for a treat and to meet others

9:45am—Education

10:45am—New Song

## Live Stream and Cable Options

- Visit [www.oslcs.org](http://www.oslcs.org) and click on Video Ministry
- Watch on the Church Center app or [oursaviorexcelior.churchcenter.com](http://oursaviorexcelior.churchcenter.com)
- 10:45am is broadcast on Mediacom Channel 21 on Saturdays & Sundays at 7:00pm

## Sunday Mornings

- ◆ **Sunday School** 9:45am  
Preschool-Kindergarten, Room B25  
1st-2nd Gr, Room B24  
3rd-4th Gr, Room 201
- ◆ **Confirmation** 9:45am  
5th-6th Gr, Room 207  
7th-8th Gr, Room 204
- ◆ **Senior High Bible Study** 9:45am  
9th-12th Gr, Room B09
- ◆ **Adult Bible Studies** 9:45am  
Room B06: *Nicene Creed*

## Sunday Night

- ◆ **Sunday Night Woven Youth** 6:30pm  
6th-8th Gr, Room B01
- ◆ **Sunday Night Elevate Youth** 6:30pm  
9th-12th Gr, Room B09

## Other Bible Studies

- ◆ **Monday Adult Bible Study** 3:30pm  
Conference Room
- ◆ **Wednesday Zoom Bible Study** 10:00am
- ◆ **Thursday Online Bible Study** 9:00pm
- ◆ **Friday Men's Bible Study** 6:15am  
Perkins, Chaska

# Today's Worship Services

## 8:15am Traditional



The Light of Christ  
“**Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing**”  
**LSB 475**

Invocation  
Opening Sentences  
Confession & Absolution  
Kyrie  
Salutation & Prayer of the Day

Children's Message & Check-in

**Reading of God's Word**  
**2 Corinthians 8:1-15**  
**Matthew 25:14-30**

Apostles' Creed  
“**At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing**”  
**LSB 633 (Vs. 1, 4, 6, 7)**

Message

Offering  
Chimes: “To God be the Glory”  
Commitment Cards

Prayers  
Lord's Prayer

Preparation for the Sacrament  
“**I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table**” **LSB 618**  
“**Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence**”  
**LSB 621**

Post Communion  
Benediction  
“**Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**”  
**LSB 465 Vs. 1 & 4**  
Announcements

## 10: 45am Contemporary



The Light of Christ  
“**Lord I Lift Your Name On High**”

Invocation  
Opening Sentences

Confession & Absolution  
“**Jesus Loves Me**”  
Prayer of the Day

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Apostles' Creed  
Message

Offering  
Commitment Cards

Prayers  
The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Supper  
“**Remembrance (The Communion Song)**”

Benediction  
“**Everlasting God**”  
Announcements

### Are You Getting the Weekly E-News?

If you are not getting the Our Savior eNews in your e-mail box on Fridays, please sign up now! Log onto [www.oslcs.org](http://www.oslcs.org) and sign up toward the bottom of the page or scan the QR code to get started.

You can also log onto [www.oslcs.org](http://www.oslcs.org) and click on “**This Week's Bulletin**” to see the Friday eNews, weekly bulletins and quarterly ministry updates. Don't miss out!



Sunday, May 3

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### Commitment Sunday



Today, you will have an opportunity to make your financial commitment to the *Rooted in Christ, Opening our Doors* Capital Campaign to build an accessible Church Lobby. Time will be provided for this act of worship today. **We are asking**

**everyone to fill out a card**, even if you are unable to make an additional commitment beyond your regular giving.

If you cannot fill out the card today, you can return your commitment card to "The Church Box" in the back of church by next Sunday, May 10, or **scan the QR code** to make your commitment online this week.

Rooted in Christ,  
Opening Our Doors



Capital Campaign  
Commitment Form

We are not asking for donations today. Our First Fruits Service will take place on Sunday, May 17.

### LWML Mites

You can drop off your LWML Mite offerings in the large Mite boxes in the back or church or in the Fellowship Hall. Your mites go toward mission grants like these:

**Healing Your Heart**—Protecting and nourishing the mental health and well-being of children is the mission of Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of Wisconsin (LCFS) through professional compassionate Christian counseling.

**Gospel Help for Families in Crisis**—Lutheran Family Service (LFS) provides teams of LCMS pastors and licensed Christian mental health therapists who bring help through in-person and virtual education events, lead support groups, and provide individualized Gospel-focused care to the increasing number of families facing mental health issues.

**Increasing Access to Lutheran Counseling Services**—Concordia Counseling, a Lutheran Outreach Ministry based in Jackson County, Indiana has the goal of serving all people, churched and unchurched, with Christ-centered counseling that is biblically sound, clinically effective, and financially affordable.



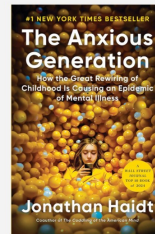
Youth Sun &  
Confirmation Pics



Ministry  
Celebration Pics

### Please Join Us This Afternoon!

Join us for a discussion on



Our discussion will be based on Jonathan Haidt's book, *The Anxious Generation*

Sunday, May 3 at 4:00pm  
Fellowship Hall, Door #3



This is for all  
parents and teens

Child care will be provided.



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### Holy Communion

In the Bible, the Apostle Paul wrote: *Let a person examine himself and so eat of the bread, and drink of the cup (1 Cor. 11:28)*. Before attending the Lord's Supper, ask yourself the following questions

- Do I believe that I am sinner, and am sorry for my sins? (Prov. 28:13; Rom. 3:23; 1 John 1:8-9)
- Do I believe that Jesus Christ by his death, offers me forgiveness for all my sins? (Rom. 5:8; Col. 2:13; Heb. 9:28; 1 John 1:7)
- Do I believe that I receive the body and blood of Christ in and with the bread and wine (not merely symbolically present)? (Mat. 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16; 1 Cor. 11:24-25)
- Do I desire to turn from my sinful ways and live a God pleasing life by the power of the Holy Spirit? (Is. 1:16; John 8:11; Rom. 6:12)

If you are unable to answer yes to these questions, please talk to the pastor or an elder before communing, as participating without a proper understanding of Holy Communion can be spiritually harmful (1 Cor. 11:27-29).

If you can answer yes to these questions, then come with a repentant heart and join us in the reception of the Lord's Supper. Adults and children not yet instructed about Holy Communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

May 4-9

Upcoming Events

### Capital Campaign Youth Fundraiser

The youth are having a fundraiser at the Chanhassen Chick-fil-A on **Monday, May 4**. The Our Savior youth will be at the restaurant volunteering that night.

You can scan the QR code above to download the app if you do not already have it. You can use either the *Chick-fil-A* or the *Chick-fil-A One* app.

#### MOBILE COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER



**May 4, 2026 | 4-8 PM**



#### GROUPS EARN MONEY, GUESTS EARN REWARDS

When you order Mobile, a portion of all proceeds will go to Our Savior Lutheran Church.



Drive-Thru



Carry-out



Dine-In

#### MOBILE ORDERING OPTIONS



Scan to download the One App  
[Chick-fil-a.com/One](http://Chick-fil-a.com/One)

\*Chick-fil-A Chanhassen location only



## What's Cooking Tonight?

Come for good food and "grown up" conversation

**Menu:**  
**Burger Night**



**Saturday, May 16**

Arrive after 5:00pm, Dinner at 6:15pm  
in Chanhassen

RSVP for location & what you plan to bring  
John Strom at [JStrom@olsentool.com](mailto:JStrom@olsentool.com)

Provide a main dish,  
side dish or dessert  
Bring food ready to  
serve or cook on site  
(stovetop, oven, gas grill,  
charcoal grill & fryer available)

Please RSVP by May 7.

### First Fruit Sunday

The first step toward our future plans for the new Church Lobby start on **Sunday, May 17** with the giving of our First Fruits Offering. This offering marks the beginning of our three-year commitment to raise the needed funds for the new addition. Special offering envelopes will be provided to facilitate giving. Help Wanted

*Sunday, May 25*

*10:00am*

*worship only*

### National Day of Prayer

The sanctuary doors will be open for anyone to come in and pray in the sanctuary on **Thursday, May 7** from 8:00-5:00pm. Prayer guides will be available.



## Kick-off to Summer

**Sunday, May 31**

- ☉ 8:30am Congregational Meeting
- ☉ 10:00am Worship in Sanctuary
- ☉ Potluck lunch to follow in the Community Center

Chicken will be provided.  
Please bring a side dish or dessert to share



## Help Needed for a Potluck

On **Sunday, May 31** there will be an 8:30am Congregational Meeting, 10:00am Worship in the Sanctuary and a Potluck lunch to follow in the Community Center.

We are seeking some volunteers:

- Coordinator for the day [1]
- Set-up the Community Center (date/time TBD) [4]
- Accept food before the congregational meeting [1]
- Accept food before the worship service [2]
- Set out, maintain, and clean up beverages & potluck table [4]
- Clean-up Community Center [2-3 leads] + congregational help

If you can help, reach out to the Church Office or [sandy.blumenschein@oslcs.org](mailto:sandy.blumenschein@oslcs.org)

... a larger poster is in the Fellowship Hall →

Victory Lutheran Church & Their CarePortal Team invite you to

# COPE

## The Cost of Poverty Experience

**Event Details**  
**Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00-8:00 pm**

**Victory Lutheran Church**  
 16200 Berger Drive  
 Eden Prairie, MN 55347

Dinner will be provided -  
 sub sandwiches

COPE is designed to give participants a glimpse into the lives of low-income families and to help deepen the understanding of poverty in America.

Snapshot of the experience:  
[The Cost of Poverty Experience: Faith Edition](#)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER VISIT:**  
**COPE GENERAL ADMISSION**


**The Cost of Poverty Experience**

An immersive poverty simulation designed to offer a glimpse into the lives of low-income individuals and families living in our communities.

**COPE** ThinkTank

CarePortal Community [COPE: General Admission]  
 Get tickets on Humanix - CarePortal Community [COPE: General Admission]. Find event information.

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General Admission

**Volunteer Opportunity**

There are volunteer opportunities to serve as Resource Leaders during the event. Training and materials will be provided in advance. To serve as a Resource Leader register here:  
**Resource Leader Registration**

Questions, contact:  
 Kim Stender at [kimstender59@gmail.com](mailto:kimstender59@gmail.com)  
 Kristin Broten at [kristin.broten@careportal.org](mailto:kristin.broten@careportal.org)



Registration is free thanks to a generous contribution from  
**Maura Albrecht & Financial Wellness For You**



**Vacation Bible School**  
**Mon-Thurs, June 22-26**  
**9:00-11:30am**

for ages 3 through entering 5th grade in 2026

We're going on an epic adventure through Australia, and you're invited! Jesus, who tells us "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (John 14:6), will be our guide as we encounter amazing animals, lush landscapes, stunning sea life, and wondrous wilderness.



## Vacation Bible School

### Volunteers Needed

Vacation Bible School volunteers are needed June 22-25. VBS will take place Monday-Thursday from 9:00-11:30am. **Thirty volunteers are needed each day.** If you cannot help the whole week, we could still use your help for one, two or three days.

- Set up, Sunday, June 21 from 12:30 to 3:00 pm **(NEED 7)**
- Middle School Helper **(all welcome)**
- High School or Adult Group Leaders **(NEED 17)**
- Preschool Games **(NEED 2)**
- Elementary Craft **(NEED 2)**
- Elementary Games **(NEED 2)**
- Snack **(NEED 2)**
- Opening and Closing Music/Drama **(NEED 4)**

← **Scan the QR code to volunteer.**

Questions? Joe Aurich, [Joe.Aurich@oslcs.org](mailto:Joe.Aurich@oslcs.org)

## Now Hiring

Our Savior School is hiring an Assistant Director of Extended Care and Float Teacher. This is a part time position (20-30 hours a week), potentially more hours in the summer. Pay range is \$20-\$28 an hour, based on experience.

Applicant must meet the MN Department of Human Services standards for teachers and directors.

Responsibilities include managing all aspects of Extended Care (K-5th Gr): staff, administration, enrollment; Ability to supervise EC teachers, aides, and children in program; Float teacher (Infant-Pre-Kindergarten) as needed; must be comfortable stepping into both leadership and classroom roles.



## Last Week

Weekly offering received: April 25

Total received: \$19,001.75

Fiscal offering year to date: April 25

Total offering received: \$374,949.33

Total offering budgeted: \$370,854.31

% above or below budget: 1.1%

4/26 Worship: 176 + 62 = 238 Livestream 62/22

## Prayers

- Guide the leaders of Our Savior in seeking Your will for this ministry; Give wisdom to the Building Committee and bless the Capital Campaign;
- Grant Your peace and reconciliation to overcome all hatred, conflict, and war; Grant safety to our military and first responders as they protect us;
- Provide healing to those who are sick and strength to those facing long term illnesses: Lu B, Darwin & Vangie K, Sarah P, Rosie B, Marlene D, Clyde A, Lori S, Jim L, Lorraine J;
- We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week.

## Calendar

<p><b>3 Commitment Service</b>  <b>*8:15am Traditional Worship &amp; Communion</b>            9:15am Fellowship            9:45am Sunday School, Confirmation, Youth and Adult (Stewardship) Bible Study            9:30am Praise Team Practice  <b>*10:45am Contemporary Worship &amp; Communion</b>    <b>4:00pm Social Media and the Anxious Child</b>  <i>(for all parents and teenagers)</i>            6:30pm 6th-8th Gr Woven &amp; 9th-12th Gr Elevate Youth</p>	<p><b>4</b>            1:00pm Campaign Mailing            3:30pm Bible Study: Hebrews  <b>4:00-8:00pm Fundraiser at Chanhassen Chick-fil-A</b>  <i>(order with the app)</i>            6:00pm Troop 409 Meeting            7:00pm Building Committee    <i>Just for Kix Mon-Thur</i></p>	<p><b>5</b>            6:30pm Elders</p>	<p><b>6</b>            10:00am Zoom Bible Study            6:00pm Music Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>7</b>  <b>8:00-5:00pm National Day of Prayer</b>            11:00pm A Time for Prayer            7:30am Praise Team            1:00pm Growth Group            9:00pm Online Bible Study</p>	<p><b>8</b>            6:15am Men's Bible Study: Perkins, Chaska    <b>1:00pm Campaign Mailing</b></p>	<p><b>9</b>            8:00-11:00am Pickleball            9:00am Recovery Support Group</p>
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<p><b>17 First Fruits Service</b> 🍌 Volunteer Appreciation 🍌  <b>*8:15am Traditional Worship &amp; Communion</b>            9:15am Fellowship            9:45am Sunday School, Confirmation, Youth and Adult (Stewardship) Bible Study            9:30am Praise Team Practice  <b>*10:45am Contemporary Worship &amp; Communion</b>              6:30pm 6th-8th Gr Woven &amp; 9th-12th Gr Elevate Youth  <i>(Dinner in the Fellowship Hall)</i></p>	<p><b>18</b>            3:30pm Bible Study: Hebrews            6:30pm Board of Directors            7:00pm Troop 409 PLC Meeting            7:00pm Building Committee (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p><b>19</b>            4:00pm Safety Committee Meeting</p>	<p><b>20</b>            10:00am Zoom Bible Study            10:30am Early Childhood Center Spring Program  <b>TBD Staff Appreciation Dinner</b></p>	<p><b>21</b>            11:00pm A Time for Prayer            1:00pm Growth Group            5:30pm Childcare Advisory Committee            7:30pm Praise Team            9:00pm Online Bible Study</p>	<p><b>22</b>            6:15am Men's Bible Study: Perkins, Chaska    <b>1:00pm Campaign Mailing</b>  <i>Last day of Preschool &amp; Kindergarten</i></p>	<p><b>23</b>            9:00am Recovery Support Group</p>
<p><b>24</b>  <b>🌟 Holiday Schedule 🌟</b>  <b>*10:00am Single Worship &amp; Communion</b>            -----  <b>31</b>  <b>🌸 Single Worship Service 🌸</b>  <b>8:30am Congregational Meeting</b>  <b>*10:00am Single Worship &amp; Communion</b>  <b>Potluck Lunch to Follow</b></p>	<p><b>25</b>              All Programs Closed  <i>(Offices, Childcare, Preschool, Kindergarten &amp; Extended Care)</i></p>	<p><b>26</b>            6:00pm Trustee Meeting</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b>  <b>9:00am Quilters</b>            11:00am A Time for Prayer            9:00pm Online Bible Study</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b>            9:00am Recovery Support Group (B01)  <b>8:30am New Member Class</b> (Conference Room)</p>