

*Our Savior Lutheran Church*

# *A Service of Readings, Hymns & Prayer*

## *Order of Service*

### *In Nomine Jesu*



### *A Festival Prelude*

#### ARPEGGIO BRASS

- Semper Fidelis March** ..... John Philip Sousa / Samuel Baron  
**America The Beautiful**..... Samuel Ward / Jari Villanueva  
**American Revolutionary War Medley** ..... Jari Villanueva  
**American Pioneer Suite** ..... Andrew Fox / J. Siebern  
**Guadalcanal March**..... R. Rogers / R. R. Bennett / L. Forsblad / J. Siebern

### *Greetings and Announcements*

# Opening Hymn

## I VOW TO THEE MY COUNTRY

Text: Cecil Spring Rice, vs. 1-3; L. White, v. 4; Tune: Gustav Holst – “Thaxted”; Te Deum #160 © 2016 OSL



1. I \_\_\_ vow to thee, my coun - try, all earth - ly things a -  
2. I \_\_\_ heard my coun - try call - ing, a - way a - cross the  
3. And there's an - oth - er coun - try I've heard of long a -  
4. That coun - try is my home - land, her Mas - ter is my



bove, En - tire, and whole and per - fect, the ser - vice of my  
sea, A - cross the waste of wat - ers she calls and calls to  
go, Most dear to them that love \_\_\_ her, most great to them that  
King; Christ Je - sus is my Sav - ior, His praise for' - ere I



love; The \_\_\_ love that asks to ques - tion, the \_\_\_ love that stands the  
me. Her \_\_\_ sword is gird - ed at her side, her hel - met on her  
know; We \_\_\_ may not count her arm - ies, we \_\_\_ may not see her  
sing. To His Word is my al - le - giance, a - bove all earth - ly



test, The lays up - on the al - tar the dear - est and the best; The \_\_\_  
head, And round her feet are ly - ing the dy - ing and the dead. I \_\_\_  
King; Her fort - ress is a faith - ful heart, pride is suf - fer - ing; And \_\_\_  
law; To Christ I will be faith - ful in loy - al - ty and awe. Should the



love that nev - er falt - ers, the love that pays the price, The \_\_\_  
hear the noise of bat - tle, the thun - der of her guns, I \_\_\_  
soul by soul and si - lent - ly her si - lent bounds in - crease, And her  
time ere come for choos - ing, o - bey - ing man or God; To my



love that makes un - daunt - ed the fi - nal sac - ri - fice.  
haste to thee, my moth - er, a son a - mong her sons.  
ways of ways of gen - tle - ness, and all her paths are peace.  
Lord I will be stead - fast, to Christ and to His Word.

(Stand)

## *Invocation*

### *Opening Prayer*

# *A Litany of Repentance & Rededication*

- P** Lord, have mercy.  
**C** *Christ, have mercy.*  
**P** Lord, have mercy. Christ hear our prayer.  
**C** *Dear Jesus, hear our prayer.*
- P** God, the Father in Heaven,  
**C** *Have mercy upon us.*  
**P** God the Son, Redeemer of the World,  
**C** *Have mercy upon us.*  
**P** God the Holy Spirit through Whom we are empowered for witness and service,  
**C** *Have mercy upon us.*  
**P** Most Holy Trinity, one God alone,  
**C** *Have mercy upon us.*
- P** Gracious and merciful God,  
**C** *Forgive our sin. Renew our faith.*  
**P** Forgive our neglect of Your means of grace, the poverty of our worship and the superficiality of our faith.  
**C** *Forgive our sin. Renew our faith.*  
**P** Forgive our ignorance of Your Word and our inability to offer the good confession in the face of error and immorality.  
**C** *Forgive our sin. Renew our faith.*  
**P** Lord Jesus Christ, we acknowledge You as the Way, the Truth and the Life. Forgive our conformity to the corruption of this world, our moral complacency, and our self-serving toleration of evil.  
**C** *Forgive our sin. Renew our faith.*
- P** Great Lord of Life, enable us to stand in Your place as fearless champions of life before this culture of death. From the slaughter of the innocent unborn, from the horror of infanticide, from the brutality of medical experimentation which necessitates the death of the smallest and most defenseless members of the human family, and from the callous use of euthanasia to escape our responsibility to the weak, the handicapped and the elderly.

- C** *Good Lord, deliver us.*
- P** From the denigration of our sexuality into promiscuous, self-seeking lust, from devastation of holy marriage by unfaithfulness and divorce, from the rejection of our God given identity as male and female, and from the deadly perversion of Sodom.
- C** *Good Lord, deliver us.*
- P** From our neglect of family, our failure to raise up our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and our preoccupation with money and the material things of this world.
- C** *Good Lord, deliver us.*
- P** From our obsession with personal entertainment and our acceptance of immoral, ungodly, and profane forms of entertainment which glory in sin and scorn godly righteousness and purity.
- C** *Good Lord, deliver us.*
- P** From our reliance upon the conceit of technology and from our dependence upon the wisdom and cleverness of man.
- C** *Good Lord, deliver us.*
- P** From the corruption of our political system, from leaders who care about nothing beyond their own ambitions and greed, and from the apathy and the ignorance of citizens, particularly Christian citizens, which allow such corruption to flourish and prevail.
- C** *Good Lord, deliver us.*
- P** Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world,
- C** *Have mercy upon us.*
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- C** *Have mercy upon us.*
- P** Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world,
- C** *Hear our prayers. Amen.*

*(Be Seated)*

## *Ministry of Music*

### PRAYER FOR AMERICA

Text: Nan Allen; Music: Appalachian Folk Song; Arranged: Dennis Allen © 2013 Van Ness Press, Inc.

#### Jubilate Choir

*Lord, thank You for America, and for the grace You shed on us.  
And thank You for our liberty, and for Your Truth that made us free.*

*Forgive us, Lord, when we forget it's by Your hand that we are blessed.  
For You have always been our guide; we'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

*Lord, give us wisdom, give us strength, and give us courage, give us peace.*

*Renew our faith, restore in us the solemn cry, "In God We Trust!"*

*Renew our faith, restore in us the solemn cry, "In God We Trust!"*

*Amen.*



## *A Reading from the Old Testament*

AMOS 5:4–15

“SEEK GOOD THAT YOU MAY LIVE”

[4] For thus says the Lord to the house of Israel: “Seek me and live; [5] but do not seek Bethel, and do not enter into Gilgal or cross over to Beersheba; for Gilgal shall surely go into exile, and Bethel shall come to nothing.” [6] Seek the Lord and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, [7] O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth! [8] He who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning and darkens the day into night, who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out on the surface of the earth, the Lord is his name; [9] who makes destruction flash forth against the strong, so that destruction comes upon the fortress. [10] They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth. [11] Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. [12] For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate. [13] Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time. [14] Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said. [15] Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

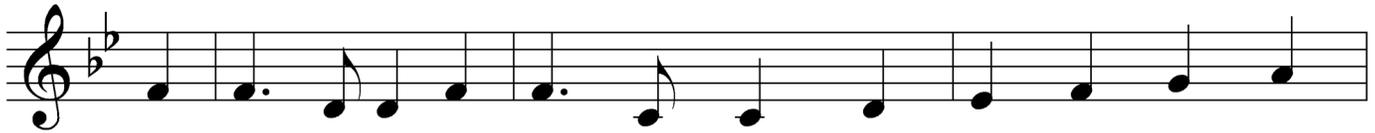
**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Thanks be to God.*

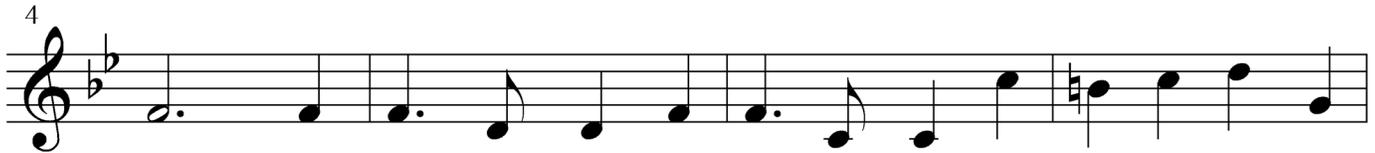
# Hymn

## AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

Text: Katharine Lee Bates; Tune: Samuel A. Ward – “Materna”



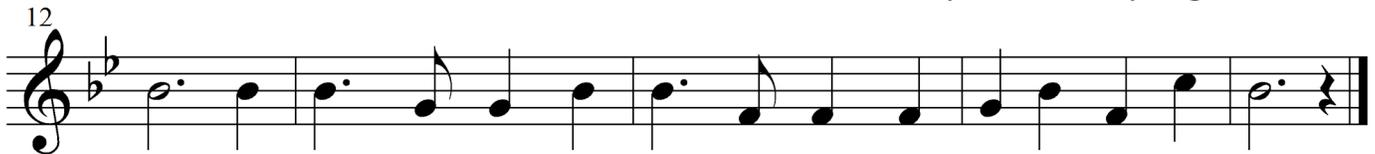
1. O beau - ti - ful for spac - ious skies, For am - ber waves of  
2. O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, Whose stern, im - pas - sioned  
3. O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved In lib - er - a - ting



grain, For pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties A - bove the fruit - ed  
stress A tho - rough - fare for free - dom beat A - cross the wild - er -  
strife, Who more than self their coun - try loved, And mer - cy more than



plain! A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed His grace on  
ness! A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry  
life! A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re -



thee, And crown thy good with broth - er - hood From sea to shin - ing sea!  
flaw, Con - firm thy soul in self con - trol, Thy lib - er - ty in law!  
fine, Till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, And ev - 'ry gain di - vine!



# *A Reading from the Old Testament*

DEUTERONOMY 6:1–7; 20–25

“THE LORD WILL BLESS YOU IN THE LAND”

[1] “Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, [2] that you may fear the Lord your God, you and your son and your son’s son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. [3] Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the Lord, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey. [4] “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. [5] You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. [6] And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. [7] You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. [20] “When your son asks you in time to come, ‘What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the rules that the Lord our God has commanded you?’ [21] then you shall say to your son, ‘We were Pharaoh’s slaves in Egypt. And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. [22] And the Lord showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes. [23] And he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in and give us the land that he swore to give to our fathers. [24] And the Lord commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as we are this day. [25] And it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the Lord our God, as he has commanded us.’”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Thanks be to God.*





## *Hymn*

### GOD BLESS OUR NATIVE LAND

Text: Charles T. Brooks; Tune: "National Anthem"; LSB #965 © 2006 CPH



1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand  
 2 So shall our prayers a - rise To God a - bove the skies;



Through storm and night. When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of  
 On Him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard - ing with



wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.  
 watch - ful eye, To Thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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# *A Reading from the Epistles*

ROMANS 13:1–8

## “GOVERNMENT IS ORDAINED BY GOD”

[1] Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. [2] Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. [3] For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, [4] for he is God’s servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God’s wrath on the wrongdoer. [5] Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God’s wrath but also for the sake of conscience. [6] For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. [7] Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed. [8] Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Thanks be to God.*



(Stand)

# Hymn

## THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER

By Francis Scott Key

1. Oh say! can you see, by the dawn's ear - ly light, What so  
2. Oh, thus be it ev - er, when free men shall stand Be -

5  
proud - ly we hailed at the twi - light's last gleam - ing, Whose broad  
tween their loved home and wild war's des - o - la - tion! Blest with

9  
stripes and bright stars, through the per - i - lous fight, O'er the ram - parts we  
vic - t'ry and peace, may the heav'n-res-cued land Praise the Pow'r that hath

14  
watched were so gal - lant - ly stream - ing? And the rock - et's red  
made and pre - served us a na - tion! Then con - quer we

18  
glare, the bombs burst - ing in air, Gave proof through the night that our  
must, when our cause it is just, And this be our mot - to: "In

23  
flag was still there. Oh say, does that Star Span - gled Ban - ner yet  
God is our trust!" And the Star Span - gled Ban - ner in tri - umph shall

28  
wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?  
wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.



## *A Reading from the Gospels*

ST. MATTHEW 5:3–16

“GOD’S PEOPLE ARE BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING”

[3] “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

[4] “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

[5] “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

[6] “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

[7] “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

[8] “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

[9] “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

[10] “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [11] “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

[13] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

[14] “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. [15] Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. [16] In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Thanks be to God.*

(Be Seated)

# Sermon Hymn

## BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

By Julia Ward Howe



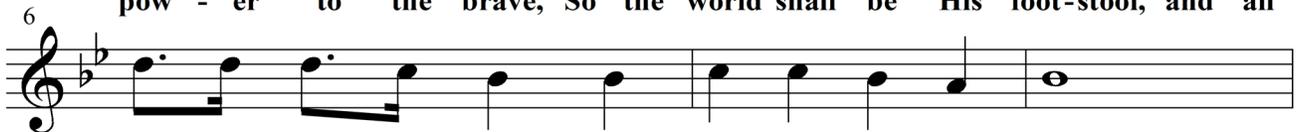
1. Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the  
2. I have seen Him in the watch - fires of a  
3. I have read a fie - ry mes - sage writ in  
4. He has sound - ed forth the trum - pet that shall  
5. In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was  
6. He is com - ing like the glo - ry of the



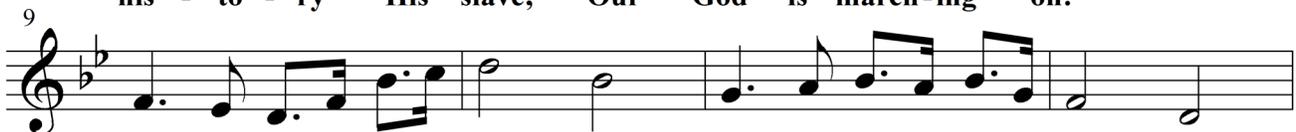
com - ing of the Lord; He is tram - pling out the vin - tage where the  
hun - dred cir - cling camps. They have build - ed Him an al - tar in the  
burn - ished rows of steel: "As ye deal with those who scorn Me, so with  
nev - er call re - treat; He is sift - ing out the hearts of men be -  
born a - cross the sea, With a glo - ry in His bos - om that trans -  
morn - ing on the wave, He is wis - dom to the migh - ty, He is



grapes of wrath are stored; He hath loosed the fate - ful light - ning of His  
eve - ning dew - s and damp - s; I can read His righ - teous sen - tence by the  
you shall judge - ment deal; Let the He - ro born of wom - an, crush the  
fore His judge - ment seat; Oh, be swift my soul to an - swer Him, be  
fi - gures you and me; As He died to make men ho - ly, let us  
pow - er to the brave, So the world shall be His foot - stool, and all



ter - ri - ble swift sword; His Truth is march - ing on.  
dim and flar - ing lamps; Our God is march - ing on!  
Ser - pent with His heel," His Truth is march - ing on!  
ju - bi - lant my feet! Our God is march - ing on!  
die to make men free, While God is march - ing on!  
his - to - ry His slave; Our God is march - ing on!



Glo - ry! Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry! Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!



Glo - ry! Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Our God is march - ing on.

*(Stand for the Reading of the Text)*

*Sermon*

TEXT: PROVERBS 14:34  
“A RIGHTEOUS NATION?”



*(Stand)*

*Votum*

*Offering Prayer*

*(Be Seated)*

*Offering*

*Voluntary*

DEEP RIVER MEDLEY

Arr. Dave Lafferty/JSiebern  
Arpeggio Brass

# *Service Songs of the Armed Forces of the United States of America*

*(Congregation may please join the choir in singing)*

## U.S. COAST GUARD - "SEMPER PARATUS"

*by Francis S. Van Boskerck*

So here's the Coast Guard Marching song We'll sing on land or sea.  
Through surf and storm and howling gale, High shall our purpose be.  
"Semper paratus" is our guide, Our fame, our glory too.  
To fight to save, or fight and die, Aye, Coast Guard we are for you.

## U.S. AIR FORCE-"OFF WE GO INTO THE WILD BLUE YONDER"

*by Robert M. Crawford*

Off we go into the wild blue yonder, Climbing high into the sun.  
Here they come, zooming to meet our thunder. At' em boys, give' er the gun!  
Down we dive, spouting our flame from under; Off with one shattering roar,  
We live in fame or go down in flame; Nothing can stop the U.S. Air Force.

## U.S. NAVY - "ANCHORS AWEIGH"

*by A. Miles*

Anchors aweigh, my boys, Anchors aweigh!  
Farewell to college joys; We sail at break of day, day, day, day.  
Through our last night on shore, Drink to the foam!  
Until we meet once more, Here's wishing you a happy voyage home.

## U.S. ARMY - "THE CAISSONS GO ROLLING ALONG"

*by Edmund L. Gruber*

Over hill, over dale, We have hit the dusty trail,  
And those caissons go rolling along. Counter march! Right about!  
Hear those wagon soldiers shout While those caissons go rolling along.  
For it's hi, hi, hee In the field artillery; Call off your numbers loud and strong.  
And where'er we go, You will always know  
That those caissons are rolling along. That those caissons are rolling along.

## U.S. MARINES - "THE MARINE HYMN"

From the halls of Montezuma To the shores of Tripoli,  
We fight our country's battles On the land as on the sea.  
First to fight for right and freedom And to keep our honor clean,  
We are proud to claim the title Of United States Marine.

(Stand)

*A Moment of Silent Prayer in Honor of  
Those Who Serve Our Nation and  
Those Who Have Given Their Lives for America*



*Taps*

Arpeggio Brass

*Prayer in Honor of Those Who Serve Our Nation*

**P** Almighty God, You have given us this good land as our heritage. Grant that we remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Grant that we, who came from many nations with many different languages, may become a united people. Support us in defending our liberties, and give those to whom we have entrusted the authority of government the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, may our hearts be thankful, and in troubled times do not let our trust in You fail; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** *Amen.*

(Be Seated)

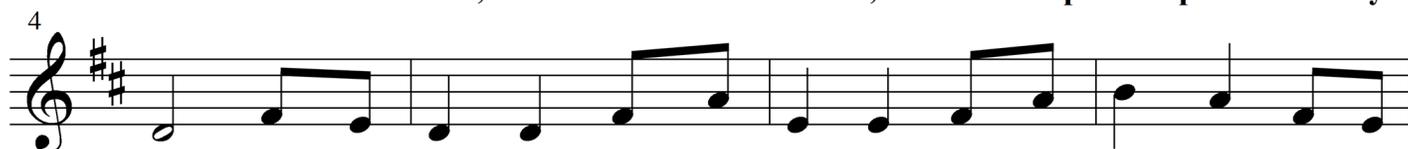
# Hymn

## WE RECALL WITH LOVE AND HONOR

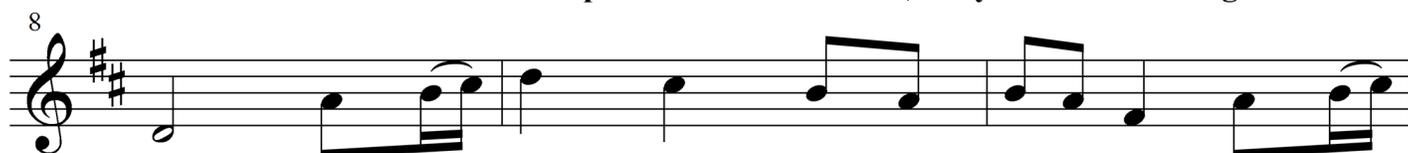
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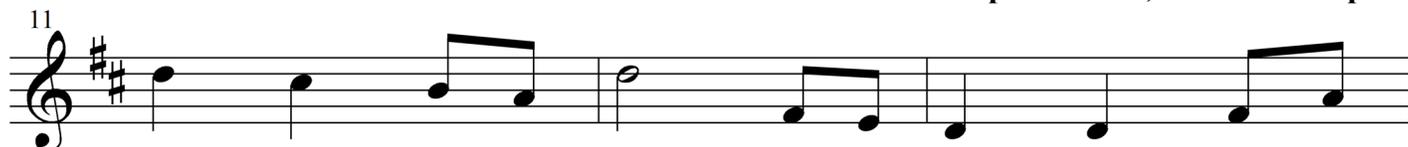
1. We re - call with love and hon - or those who fell in free-dom's  
2. Du - ty called them to the col - ors: Hon - or moved them to o -  
3. Though they fell in far off bat - tles, bur - ied on some dis - tant  
4. Grac - ious God, Lord of all na - tions, hear Your peo - ple as they



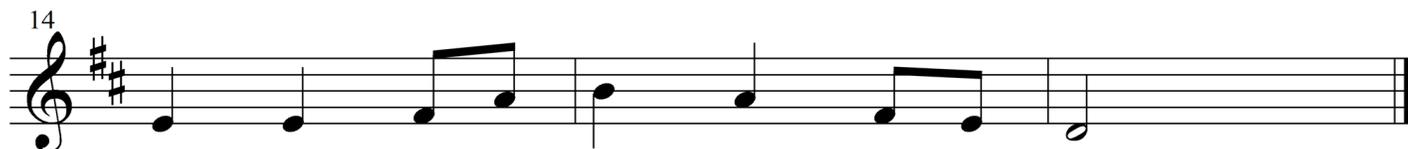
fight. He - roes all they served their na - tion, dy - ing to de - fend the  
bey Coun - try gave her fin - est chil - dren: they came forth with - out de -  
shore. Still their mem - 'ries live with - in us un - til time shall be no  
call. Bless our land with peace and free - dom, may Your love reign o'er us



right. More than self, they loved their coun - try, gave their  
lay Fought be - neath "Old Glor - y's" ban - ner served with  
more. End - less rows of pale white cros - ses show the  
all. And if war should come u - pon us, raise up



lives to keep us free. We re - call with love and  
val - or in her strife Sac - ri - ficed that gift most  
price brave men must pay To de - fend their homes and  
war - riors bold and true. Who will stand with stead - fast



hon - or all who fought for lib - er - ty.  
prec - ious as they gave for her their life.  
fam - 'lies, fight - ing fear - less in the fray.  
cour - age for our home - land and for You.

(Stand)

## *Intercessory Prayer*



## *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*

## *Benediction*

# *Closing Hymn*

## GOD OF OUR FATHERS

Text: Daniel C. Roberts



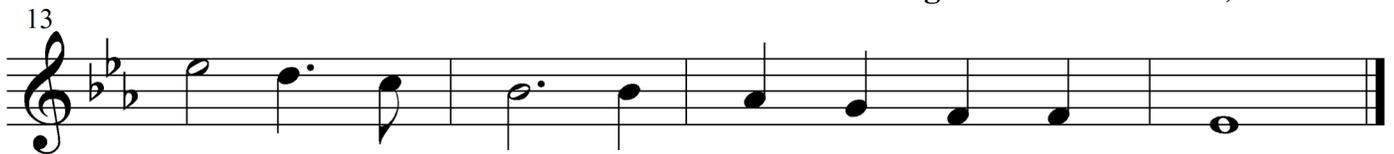
1. God of our fa - thers, whose al - migh - ty hand  
2. Thy love di - vine hath led us in the past,  
3. From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti - lence,  
4. Re - fresh Thy peo - ple on their toil - some way,



Leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
Be Thy strong arm our ev - er - sure de - fense;  
Lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;



Of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor thru the skies,  
Be Thou our Rul - er, Guard - ian, Guide, and Stay,  
Thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
Fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,



Our grate - ful songs be - fore Thy throne a - rise.  
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our cho - sen way.  
Thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
And glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er Thine!

# *Postlude*

## LIBERTY BELL MARCH

By John Philip Sousa / Bill Holcombe

Arpeggio Brass

*Trumpet – Kevin Henderson*

*French Horn - Ray Wadenpfohl Jr.*

*Trombone – John Siebern*

*Trumpet – Jennifer Rogers*

*Tuba – Matt Lamm*

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*Welcome!*

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**Number 27**

*Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship sincerely, serve Christ faithfully.*

It is our heartfelt prayer that all who worships here this day may encounter the love of our Savior. According to His promise, He is here today reaching out to us in love through Word and Sacrament. If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you have found it here so that we may rejoice in serving the Lord together. If we can be of service to you or your family in any way please do not hesitate to ask.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** O God of all creation, the earth is yours, and the fullness thereof. You touch the leaves with the dew of the morning; you send the breezes to cool the night. The trees are laden with fruit because of your blessing; fields produce crops because of your care. As you watch over your people and fill all their needs, so now send forth your Spirit and be present among us. We lift up our heads and give you praise in Christ's name. Amen.

**ATTENDANCE CARDS – MEMBERS (yellow) & VISITORS (blue),** remember to fill out an attendance card listing all in attendance for your family. Please note any changes, otherwise you do not have to fill in the address information each week. It is appreciated if first-time visitors would include their address and phone number. Email and work numbers are helpful for inner-office needs. By filling out a card, your attendance and communing is recorded, and your comments are addressed. It is not necessary to indicate common or individual cup. Place cards in the offering plate or give to an usher on your way out. Thanks!



- *The Cry-Room and the four row spans directly in front of it are reserved for parents with small children. Thank you.*
- *Hearing devices are available from the ushers if you need this assistance.*



**HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated next on Sunday, July 11, at 9:30 AM. "Let a man examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup." *1 Corinthians 11:28*

The Word of God teaches that the bread and wine of the Sacrament are the true Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. This precious gift of God's grace is to be received in a sense of reverent awe after careful self-examination. The Bible defines that self-examination as a personal recognition of the real presence of Christ's Body and Blood in the Sacrament, and a repentant acknowledgment of my own sinfulness recognizing my absolute dependence upon Christ as the only source of forgiveness for my sin. Scripture further instructs that our participation in Christ's Body and Blood together is the most profound and powerful way for Christians to acknowledge their unity in the faith. That is to say, when we share in the Body and Blood of Jesus at this altar, we are thereby indicating our common commitment to all of the doctrines of God's Word as they are taught in this congregation. Because of these Biblical convictions, we respectfully request that visitors, who wish to join us in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ and thereby identify with our confession of Bible truth, speak with one of our pastors before attending the Lord's Supper.

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## ***Adult Bible Classes & Sunday School Options for All:***

### **8:15 AM**

**Genesis: The Beginning of All Things** – A study of Creation in Scripture, chapters 1-11 (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

### **10:45 AM**

**Thru the Bible in One Year – A Personal Commitment to the Faithful Study of the Word of God:** We will continue our study on the Scripture readings the congregation is working on together this year. (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

**Lutheran Confessions:** Our Lutheran Confessions were developed out of a genuine concern with false teachings obscuring the glory and merit of our Savior. These unconditional affirmations are as understandable and poignant today as when they were written. Learn their history and development, as well as their relevance in the daily life of a Christian. Through discussion, you will see how others are asking the same questions and how Scripture offers solid, reliable answers. (James Kriegel, C101)

**Bethel Bible Series: "Proverbs"** – The Bethel Class has now begun the study of the Book of Proverbs. Proverbs is a much-loved book of wisdom whose guidance has practical application to lives in every age. In our study of Proverbs, we will direct our attention to prerequisites to happiness. Good human relationships are indispensable to a happy life! What must we do then to be on amiable terms with those who live about us? It is to that question to which our study shall be addressed. (Herb Peterson, C102)

**Women's Bible Study:** We are diving into the first half of Nehemiah, using Donna Pyle's study *Perseverance* from CPH; we will be looking at the words of Scripture that guide us to persevere in the face of life's challenges. (Family Room, Church)

**Applying Scripture to Current Events:** This class for young adults will focus on today's headlines and current events and discuss these topics in light of scripture and how the verses covered each week apply to everyday life. (Adam White, C106)

**The Early Church:** The history of the first four centuries of the early Church, exploring how God guided and sustained the first Christians, and what it means for us today. (Karl Baughman, Cafeteria)

## **YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED –**

High School - Youth Room

8th Grade Confirmation – C105

6th - 7th Grade – C103

4th - 5th Grade – C113

3rd Grade – C116

1st - 2nd Grade – C115

Kindergarten – B107

3 & 4 yrs – B108

18 mos. – 3 yrs – B111



The flowers are given to the glory of God by Adam & Diane White in celebration of their 21<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary; and by the Nancy Boddicker Family.

**The FLOWER CHART is available to sponsor the church flowers for your special occasions!** Each flower arrangement is \$45. You will find the flower clipboard on the hutch in the narthex. Remember to write a “W” if you want the flowers, or “S” to send them to the sick. Thank you!

**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION:** Remember to log in to your Breeze account, and make sure all your contact information is correct – phone numbers, address, email accounts, etc. You can even **add your own PHOTO**. Call the church office if you need help: 713-290-9087.

**WEEKLY MEN’S BIBLE STUDY** – We are studying the book of Acts. All men are invited on Wednesday mornings in the Bible Class Room, at 6:30-7:30 a.m. Contact Channing Wood at [channing@toddyblends.com](mailto:channing@toddyblends.com).

**PASTOR WHITE’S WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** is from 10:00-12:00, and we are studying *Romans, Chief Part of the New Testament and the Very Purest Gospel*. Make Bible study a regular part of your schedule every week. Food and fellowship provided of course!



**SERVE IN OUR LOWER GRAMMAR SCHOOL (PreS-2)** with our dynamic faculty and staff committed to the academic success of our scholars and excited to share the love of Christ. Must be a member of an LCMS congregation in good standing and willing to seek teacher certification through CCLE. Send a resume/CV for consideration to Principal Kate Thielke: [kthielke@oslschool.org](mailto:kthielke@oslschool.org).

**Any Job Openings?** John Thielke (Principal Thielke’s husband) is on a job search in Houston. John is currently a Finance Director with extensive non-profit and government accounting experience for St. Charles County, Missouri. For the last 21 years he has overseen funding and grants to agencies that support individuals with developmental disabilities. If you know of any local leads regarding John’s search and resume, please contact **Norman Adams:** [nadams@adamsins.com](mailto:nadams@adamsins.com), (713) 826-1289, or **Ryan Petree:** [rnpetree@gmail.com](mailto:rnpetree@gmail.com), (713) 202-2663, for more information. We pray someone in the OSL community has the right connection to open a door for John. Thank you!



**JOB OPPORTUNITIES** – Toddy, Inc. Winery, Distillery, Brewery and Event Venue is currently hiring for the following positions: Daiquiri Store Attendants, Bartenders, Bar-Backs, Servers, Drivers, Salesmen and Cooks. Send resume to [recruiter@toddyoaks.com](mailto:recruiter@toddyoaks.com), located at 20120 Franz Rd, Katy, TX 77449.

**OSL SUMMER BASKETBALL** – Anyone interested in playing in the OSL Summer Basketball League should contact Jimmy Eifert at [jeifert@oslschool.org](mailto:jeifert@oslschool.org). Games are on **WEDNESDAY NIGHTS** and the league runs from the beginning of June to mid-August. Anyone high school age or older is eligible.



**GREETERS NEEDED to serve the Lord with gladness!** Get to know your fellow church family. Call Terry Tomchesson for information: 281-777-4879.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for audio-visual ministries:** If you would like to learn from a “hands on” perspective, call 713-290-9087, leave your name, number, and we will contact you. No experience needed.



**ASTROS FAITH & FAMILY DAY:** Please join us **Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**, for our OSL faith and family outing as we cheer on the Astros as they take on the Texas Rangers. We will all sit together as we enjoy the game and festivities. It is Kids Day at the ballpark and kids ages 5-12 will be allowed to run the bases! First pitch is at 1:10pm. Cost is \$20 per ticket. Fill out the form on our website at [www.osl.cc](http://www.osl.cc), under Events, and then use the PayPal link to pay for your tickets. All tickets will be delivered via the

MLB Ballpark app. ***You must pay for all your tickets before July 19th.*** Tickets will be added to your account on the 20th.

**“MY PILLOW” almost new, KING-SIZE TOPPER** has been donated by members who no longer need this one. Please call the church office if you are interested, 713-290-9087, or [church@osl.cc](mailto:church@osl.cc).



**Name Tags upon request.** Simply express the way you want to have your name appear and give your place of birth to Debbie in the church office, 713-290-9087 ext. 202, or [dlazarine@osl.cc](mailto:dlazarine@osl.cc).

**STAMPS** – Cheerful Helpers are collecting stamps trimmed to ¼". Please put them in the mailbox in Pastor White’s Bible Class Room. – Sandi Hall, Human Care Chairman.

**RECYCLE** Cans & Paper in east bins.

**BOX TOPS for Education** – Please place the trimmed box tops in an envelope marked for the school on the narthex table.

**Greeting Cards are available in the Bible Class Room.** Each box is \$6 or \$7. Make checks payable to Circle of Grace.

**AMAZON SMILE & OSL** – Now enjoy everything Amazon offers while supporting OSL School. Amazon will donate .5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Our Savior Lutheran School. How? Visit Smile.Amazon.com, search “Our Savior Lutheran Church and School, Houston” and select us as your preferred charity. Who knew supporting your school could be so easy?

**KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM** — Please make sure your account has our new NPO account number, **XB926**. Log in to your account at Kroger.com, place the cursor on the Savings & Rewards link at the top left-hand side, and click on Kroger Community Rewards. Choose the “View Details” button under “I’m a Customer”. Verify that the Organization Number is **XB926**. You should also see “You are contributing to Our Savior Lutheran School” at the bottom of your grocery receipt. We thank everyone for their continued support.

## ***Don’t forget to tithe!***

Use Subsplash! It is free in the App Store.

No monthly fee -No set up fee -No hidden fees –

Lowest processing rates that continue to drop as your giving increases.

All credit and debit cards (including AMEX) are processed at 2.3% + .30 cents per transaction.

All ACH donations are 1% with no cents.

There is also a “GIVE” link at the top of our website: [www.OSL.cc](http://www.OSL.cc)



**MEASURE OF DEVOTION:** Last Sunday, we had 294 people in attendance (last year 200), about 600 viewed our service online.

**Our Ministry Challenge**

Tithes & Offerings for last week .....	\$ 29,668.96
Tithes & Offerings to date – week 26.....	\$ 812,254.18
Tithes & Offerings needed each week .....	\$ 35,365.00
Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 26 .....	\$ 919,490.00
General Fund Income to date .....	\$ 1,735,048.76
Special Contributions to date .....	\$ 134,949.35

***“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” Malachi 3:10***

***Please use your assigned envelopes which are mailed to you, and have your number on them. That way we can be sure you are properly credited for ALL your contributions. Thank You!***

***Those To Serve:***

	<b>Today, Sunday, July 4, at 9:30 AM ~ Patriotic Festival</b>	<b>Next Sunday, July 11, at 9:30 AM</b>
<b>ELDERS:</b>	Chuck Hall / Scott Nitsch / Jason Stephens / Shaun Downie	Chuck Hall / Scott Nitsch / Jason Stephens / Shaun Downie
<b>USHERS:</b>	Hall Team	Downie Team
<b>SOUND:</b>	Witt	J. Wilbanks
<b>CARTS:</b>	Gerard Team	Adams Team
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>	Timothy Witt / Mathew O'Neill	Mary Johnson / Maja Stephens
<b>ALTAR GLD:</b>	—	Amanda Crabtree Team
<b>COMM.ASST:</b>	—	Chuck Hall / Scott Nitsch / Jason Stephens / Shaun Downie / Ken Wright
<b>EVANGELISM:</b>	Team 1 Lee	Team 2 Ken
<b>MUSIC:</b>	Jubilate Choir	Jubilate Choir
<b>VIDEO:</b>	Amélie Boerger / Chad Greenwood / Mitchell Stephens / Aiden Sullivan / Adam White / Christian White	

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# OSL at a Glance



## Sunday, July 4, 2021

<i>Event</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Bible Class	8:15 AM	Bible Class Room
<b>Patriotic Service</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>10:45 AM</b>	
<b>ROTC Color Guard Presentation</b>	<b>11:45 AM</b>	<b>Cafeteria</b>
<b>Fourth of July celebration</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Cafeteria/Gym/Pavilion</b>
High School Youth Meeting	4:30 PM	Youth Room

## Monday, July 5, 2021

**Church office closed**

## Tuesday, July 6, 2021

Circle of Grace-FR	10:00 AM	Family Room	
<del>Church Council-BC</del>	<del>7:00 PM</del>	<del>Bible Class Room</del>	<i>cancelled</i>

## Wednesday, July 7, 2021

Men's Bible Study-BC	6:30 AM	Bible Class Room
Bible Class-BC	10:00 AM	Bible Class Room
Bulletin Deadline	12:00 PM	

## Thursday, July 8, 2021

Prayer Request printing deadline	3:00 PM	Church office
Carillon Ringers	6:15 PM	Choir Loft
Jubilate Choir	7:00 PM	Choir Loft

## Friday, July 9, 2021

Joseph's Guild of Colors-LWML	9:00 AM	LWML Room
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## Sunday, July 11, 2021

Bible Class	8:15 AM	Bible Class Room
<b>Communion-</b>		
<b>Principal Thaelke Installation</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Church &amp; online</b>
<b>Principal Thaelke Reception</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Gym</b>
Middle School Youth Meeting	4:30 PM	Youth Room



## Houston Coalition for Life is Sponsoring



Friday, August 6, 2021  
12:30 – 2:30 p.m.  
Outside Planned Parenthood  
4600 Gulf Freeway

Dr. Haywood Robinson  
Former abortionist and now pro-life speaker

Sue Thayer  
Former Planned Parenthood Director and  
now pro-life advocate

Yes, the weather will match the heated topic that we are discussing so bring a hat and water.

Also please consider carpooling with your pro-life friends and family.

*Dear OSL Friends:*

*As a 40 Days Coordinator, I was sent this blurb and asked to let everyone at OSL know about it. If there is anyone Ethylene hasn't already reached, here it is 😊*

*Please let me know if you would like to participate and whether or not you need a ride or can give rides to other participants. Normally, parking is not a problem but it can be a real issue if it is a big event and this promises to be that.*

*Hope to hear from you and see you there,  
Cindy Blake  
[cindyablake@yahoo.com](mailto:cindyablake@yahoo.com)  
832-398-5303*

We need YOU to represent that Houston is Pro-life!

Stay up to date with details at:

<https://www.houstoncoalition.com/events/40-days-for-life-international-prayer-event>

# Let's Welcome Our New Principal!

**KATE THOELKE  
OSL PRINCIPAL**

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**SUNDAY, JULY 11**

Installation Service @ 9:30 AM in the Church  
Welcome Luncheon @ 11:00 AM in the OSL Gym

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Please join us in welcoming the Thoelkes to OSL!

RSVP by July 5 to Jeanene Lunsford  
[jlunsford@oslschool.org](mailto:jlunsford@oslschool.org)

# Celebrate THE FOURTH

*Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.*

**1 Peter 2:16 ESV**

Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> Church Festival Worship @ 9:30

Sunday School @ 10:45

Jr. ROTC Color Guard Presentation @ 11:45 in the cafeteria

Lunch, Music & Fellowship Fun @ noon

Water Slide & Moonwalk  
sponsored by Men Alive!

