

# Overland Park Lutheran Church

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"This is a day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!" Welcome to worship! We are so pleased that you are able to join us today to worship our Lord Jesus Christ. If you are without a church home, please know that our door is always open to you. We welcome all our guests. If you are visiting today, please don't forget to sign our Guest Book so that we may properly acknowledge your visit with us.



Pastor:	Joan Swander
Worship Band:	The Enduros
Pianist/Organist:	Becky Brantner
Reader	Lea Huaman

**Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him, and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.**

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

\* Confession and Forgiveness

\* **Opening Song**                      **"Draw Me Closer (Ever Closer)"**

\* Prayer of the Day -- ***O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

*FIRST READING*                                      Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15                                      NRSV OT pgs. 62-63

A) The word of the Lord.    c) **Thanks be to God.**

*SECOND READING*                                      Ephesians 4:1-16                                      NRSV NT pg. 193

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P: The holy Gospel, according to John    **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

\* *GOSPEL READING:*                                      John 6:24-35                                      NRSV NT pg.

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P: The gospel of the Lord.    **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

\* Children's sermon

\* Sermon

\* Hymn of the Day

**“I Am The Bread of Life”**

**ELW 485**

\* **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

A Service of Beginning for Vicar Sue Tarka; Farewell and Godspeed for Pastor Joan Swander

\* The Prayers            **c) Your mercy is great.**

\* Sharing the Peace    **c) And also with you.**

**THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES**

\* Words of Institution

\* Lord’s Prayer

ELW pg. 145

\* Communion Distribution

\* Communion Blessing

\* Benediction

\* Announcements

\* **Closing Song**

**“O Living Bread From Heaven”**

**ELW 549**

\* A) Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.    **c) Thanks be to God.**

We believe that Christ is really present in the Sacrament and we hope you gain strength and comfort from that belief as well. All are welcome to Holy Communion. Please come forward from the south aisle. Pick up bread and cup (wine is red, juice is amber). Children who have not received first communion instruction are invited to come forward for a blessing. Receive distribution words and return to your seat to consume.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**August 1, 2021**

### RETURNERS!

a choir, please join us at **6:00pm**  
**25<sup>th</sup>** up in the choir loft. No

experience required! If you're interested but can't come that night, please contact Becky at 913-333-1627. I'm so excited to see you there!



### *In our prayers*

Tommy Wooldridge, Amber Morlan, Dan Morlan, Joanne Thompson, Kent Hollis, Debbie Hollis, Joe Thompson, Lori Barber, Chrisy Mull, Nancy West, Naydia Taylor, Krista Gustin Ricciteli, Covid victims at home and in the hospital

*Please notify the office regarding any prayer requests and updates. Unless notified to the contrary, names on this list for whom we pray during worship will remain for two consecutive weeks.*

**Email Pastor Joan at:** jls2024@hotmail.com

### HEARING ASSISTED DEVICES

are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1 Kings 19:4-8  
Ephesians 4:25—5:2  
John 6:35, 41-51

The **2021 Flower Chart** is now available for sign-up! Please indicate when you would like to give flowers for your special occasion.

### COFFEE HOUR IS BACK!

*Join us in the fellowship hall after the service.*



*Help provide treats and clean up afterwards! The sign-up sheet is by the mailboxes*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Aug 8 - Special congregational meeting** in the sanctuary immediately following the service to present, discuss and conduct a vote to replace the heating and cooling system.

**Safehome** needs **paper towels**! You can leave your paper towels for Safehome underneath the coat rack on the Safehome table.

DONATIONS ARE ALSO APPRECIATED FOR:

- Children's books** for the Lending Library
- Yarn** for Johnson County Christmas Bureau
- Donation bins are in the narthex

Thanks again for parking out front! People can see we are back!

Please help stock the **Mini Food Pantry** by donating any of the following items: *Soups, canned fruit, canned vegetables, pastas, snacks, box dinners, canned meats or tuna, personal hygiene items, mustard, ketchup, mayo.*

*No glass containers please.*

Please drop off items in the box near the sanctuary entrance. We are always in need of your help. Thank you for your continued support!

Please have any items you would like in the bulletin on the secretary's desk before Tuesday morning.