

Overland Park Lutheran Church

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October 1, 2023



"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 our door is always open to you. We welcome all our guests. If you are visiting today, please sign our **Guest Book**, so that we may properly acknowledge your visit with us.*



Preaching/Presiding: Pastor Sue Tarkka
Worship Band: The Enduros
Pianist/Organist: Becky Brantner
Reader: Lea Huaman

Jesus' parable about two sons who don't do what they say reveals surprises in the reign of God. In the reading from Ezekiel the people claim the ways of the Lord are unfair, while God offers repentance and new life. Paul urges us to look to Christ as a model of humility, putting the interests of others above our own. Nourished by the broken bread and shared cup, we offer our lives for the sake of our needy world.

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

* **Confession and Forgiveness**

* Gathering Song

"Get Together"

The Enduros

* Prayer of the Day --- **God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

A: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:1-13

A: The holy Gospel, according to Matthew

C: Glory to you, O Lord

* *GOSPEL READING:*

Matthew 21:23-32

A: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Children's sermon

Sermon

* *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.

- * The Prayers **C: receive our prayer.**
- * Sharing the Peace **C: And also, with you.**

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

Offertory “In This Holy Place” OPLC Choir

* Offertory Prayer

- * **Lord’s Prayer** ELW pg. 145
- * Communion Distribution
- * Communion Blessing
- * Benediction
- * Sending Hymn “God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me” ACS #1084

* P: Go in peace. God is at work in you. **C: Thanks be to God**

***- Denotes a time to stand during service. Please stand as you are able.**

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 as the ushers instruct. Elements will be distributed at altar (wine is red (outside edge), juice is amber (middle)). Children who have not received first communion instruction, are invited to come forward for a blessing.



Find us on

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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TODAY’S PSALM:

“We will recount to generations to come the power of the LORD.”
Psalm 78:4

Church contacts:

Pastor Sue Tarkka:
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HEARING ASSISTED DEVICES

are available.
Please see an usher for assistance.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 5:1-7
Philippians 3:4b-14
Matthew 21:33-46

COFFEE HOUR!

Join us in the fellowship hall after the service.



If you can help with treats served with coffee, please sign up at the volunteer area by the mailboxes.

In our prayers

Peter and Victoria Barnick (friends of Pr. Sue), Fran Hall, Louie Tremonti, Kaila Bolton, Dan Mott, Jamie Malone Stair, Todd Eaton, James Cox, David Keller, Dylan Dossett, Don Mott, Dan Morlan, Joanne Thompson, Chrissy Mull, Nancy West, Jesse Crump, Melinda Lickteig, Brandi Carlisle, John Rhinehart, Helen Hunt, Jeff Herman, Graeme McCrosson, Alena and Atom Pidgeon, the family and friends of Carson Robinette

Please notify the office regarding any prayer requests and updates.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY—Dwelling in the Word
10:45 a.m. Classroom off Parish Hall.

October 1st-23rd—**Thrivent Action Team**
Halloween Snack Bags See Insert.

October 1st-31st—**Thrivent Action Team Men’s Socks** See Insert.

October 4th-- **Women’s Bible Study @ 7 p.m.**

October 6th & 7th—**Garage Sale Benefiting St. John Baptiste School in Haiti** See Insert.

October 8th— **Good Faith Network Listening Session** 11:00 a.m. in the Adult Sunday School Room. Lunch Provided. RSVP to Jenny or Pr. Sue

The Mini Food Pantry needs your help staying stocked!!

Urgent Needs: Canned tomatoes, Chili w/beans, Soups-hearty, Packaged Crackers, and Canned meat

Please drop items in the box in the Narthex each Sunday.
We also accept monetary gifts. Please note as a donation for the OPLC Mini Pantry.
Thank you for supporting this important ministry!