

OUR SAVIOR'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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April 19th, 2026

8:30 AM

PRELUDE

“Open Our Eyes” Jackie Oakes

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN:

“Open Our Eyes” (on screen)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

All: O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

SCRIPTURE - LUKE 24:13-35

The Walk to Emmaus

Now on that same day, two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.

SCRIPTURE: CONTINUED

But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then, beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

SERMON/DISCUSSION: PASTOR CASEY

HYMN OF THE DAY

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" #711 Blue V 1, 2 & 5

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*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 life everlasting.
Amen.*

PEACE

OFFERING

"Just As I Am" Jackie Oakes

OFFERING PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/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,
for ever and ever.
Amen.*

COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTIONMUSIC

"Jesus, I Believe" Jackie Oakes/Allison Cayo

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

"Bind Us Together" #748 Blue

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"Christ in Us Be Glorified" Jackie Oakes

Doing More With More

ReImagine continues to bring our congregations together in meaningful ways. We are grateful for the strong collaboration already happening through shared worship opportunities, blended music (choir and bells), confirmation, fellowship events, and outreach efforts.

As we move forward, we need clearer communication and greater visibility. Some members have expressed confusion about ReImagine's role. To clarify: this is not a merger, but a partnership—an opportunity to share resources, strengthen ministry, and serve our community more fully together.

Looking ahead, we are excited about several shared ministry opportunities, including:

- A combined celebration of Pastor Casey on May 31
- Continued shared music and worship experiences
- Potential joint youth programming, Bible School, and fellowship groups
- Community outreach events like Hartland Kids Day

ReImagine will also continue working to improve communication with both congregations and leadership, including sharing clear takeaways from each meeting.

One important insight from our recent meeting: flexibility will be key as we navigate decisions together—especially as we plan for summer worship and the future call process.

Above all, our identity is rooted in Christ. By working together, we can support one another, reduce uncertainty, and truly live into our mission of “Doing More With More.”

Our next meeting will be on May 11 at CoR.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

April 25th, 2026 - Honor Flight

Join us as we welcome home Ron Schell, our Navy veteran, from his Stars and Stripes Honor Flight on April 25th! We will gather at Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport (upper level, main concourse) at 7:00 PM. Ron's flight is expected to arrive at 8:00 PM, followed by a celebratory welcome parade concluding around 9:30 PM. All are encouraged to attend and help give Ron the hero's welcome he deserves! If you need to sit, please bring a small folding chair, as seating is limited. Let's come together to show our gratitude and support! 🇺🇸

April 26th, 2026 - Outreach Committee Invitation

The mission of Outreach Ministries at Our Savior's is to live out God's love through service to others. There will be many opportunities to get involved, and every gift of time or donation is truly appreciated. If you feel called to serve, we invite you to join the Outreach Committee. Please join us for a short introductory meeting in the chapel following worship on Sunday, April 26. Learn more, share ideas, and see how you can make a difference!

⚠️ Scam Alert

We've been informed of messages purporting to be from Pastor Casey that request iTunes or gift cards. These are not legitimate. Please know Pastor Casey will never ask for money or gift cards by email or text. If something feels unusual, take a moment to double-check or contact the church office.

Thank you for staying alert and helping keep our community safe.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

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Reader: Lori Zeller

Communion Assistance: Dave Christman

Usher: Deb Fisher

Greeter: Dean Littlejohn

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Meg Feyen

Music: Jackie Oakes and Allison Cayo

April 26th, 2026

Reader: Lisa Dettmann

Communion Assistance: Lori Zeller

Usher: Pat Schiek

Greeter: Diana DuFresne

Communion Prep/Cleanup: Carol Emmel

Music: Jackie Oakes

2026 LEADERSHIP TEAM

President - Tom Carroll

President Elect - Carol Emmel

Past President - Matt Feyen

Secretary - Megan Anderson

Treasurer - Lori Zeller

At Large - Scott Dettmann

At Large - John Weiss

At Large - Tim Rice

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