

"Death is swallowed up in victory." "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

1 Corinthians 15:54-55

The Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024



Welcome to Church of Our Savior. We are a part of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese of the Anglican Church in North America. We proudly uphold the traditional faith and values of our Anglican heritage, while seeking new ways to reach people with the transformational love of Jesus Christ.

We believe that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior over heaven and earth and that He has called those who follow Him to be His witnesses in the world. Those who put their faith in Him have been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit into a new life, a resurrection life. We believe that because Jesus rose from the dead all people can experience the promise of abundant life through a personal relationship with Him.

The great Christian thinker C.S. Lewis once described the transformational power of walking through life with Jesus when he wrote:

"I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else."

It is our hope and prayer that as you join us you will know for yourself the unconditional love and grace of Our Savior Jesus Christ, in your own life.

The Rev. David Ball

Evening Prayer

-The Congregation is invited to stand

Opening Hymn

O God Our Help In Ages Past

O God our help in ages past Our hope for years to come Our shelter from the stormy blast And our eternal home

Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure Sufficient is Thine arm alone And our defense is sure

Before the hills in order stood Or earth received her frame From everlasting Thou art God To endless years the same

O God our help in ages past Our hope for years to come Be Thou our guard while troubles last And our eternal home

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Opening Sentence of Scripture

- The Officiant may begin Evening Prayer by reading an opening sentence of Scripture.

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. - 1 CORINTHIANS 15:57

Confession of Sins

- The Officiant says to the People.

Dearly beloved, the Scriptures teach us to acknowledge our many sins and offenses, not concealing them from our heavenly Father, but confessing them with humble and obedient hearts that we may obtain forgiveness by His infinite goodness and mercy. We ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before Almighty God, but especially when we come together in His presence to give thanks for the great benefits we have received at His hands, to declare His most worthy praise, to hear His holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and others, those things necessary for our life and our salvation. Therefore, come with me to the throne of heavenly grace as we pray together.

- Almighty and most merciful Father,
 - we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the deceits and desires of our own hearts.
- We have offended against Your holy laws.
- We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from Your grace, there is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Spare those who confess their faults.

- *Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord;*
- And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

The Absolution

- The Officiant says to the People.

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Invitatory

Officiant:	O Lord, open our lips;
<i>People:</i>	And our mouth shall proclaim Your praise.
Officiant:	O God, make speed to save us;
<i>People:</i>	<i>O Lord, make haste to help us.</i>
Officiant:	Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
People:	As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Officiant:	Praise the Lord.
<i>People:</i>	<i>The Lord's name be praised</i> .

PHOS HILARON "O Gladsome Light"

-All say together.

O gladsome light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of Life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Praise Song

I Will Trust My Saviour Jesus

I will trust my Saviour Jesus When my darkest doubts befall Trust him when to simply trust him Seems the hardest thing of all

I will trust my Saviour Jesus Trust him when my strength is small For I know the shield of Jesus Is the safest place of all

Jesus only Jesus Help me trust you more and more Jesus only Jesus May my heart be ever yours

I will trust my Saviour Jesus He has said his way is best And I know the path he's chosen Leads to everlasting rest *(chorus 2x's)*

Oh on that cross how it was seen I can go now ever trusting In the one who died for me What could I bring for your gift is complete So I trust you simply trust you Lord With every part of me (repeat)

(Chorus 2x's)

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- The congregation may be seated.

First Lesson - Joshua 3

Then Joshua rose early in the morning and they set out from Shittim. And they came to the Jordan, he and all the people of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over. ² At the end of three days the officers went through the camp ³ and commanded the people, "As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it. ⁴ Yet there shall be a distance between you and it, about 2,000 cubits in length. Do not come near it, in order that you may know the way you shall go, for you have not passed this way before." ⁵ Then Joshua said to the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you." ⁶ And Joshua said to the priests, "Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on before the people." So they took up the ark of the covenant and went before 4 the people. ⁷ The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. ⁸ And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, 'When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.""⁹ And Joshua said to the people of Israel, "Come here and listen to the words of the LORD your God." ¹⁰ And Joshua said, "Here is how you shall know that the living God is among you and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Hivites, the Perizzites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, and the Jebusites. ¹¹Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is passing over before you into the Jordan. ¹²Now therefore take twelve men from the tribes of Israel, from each tribe a man. ¹³ And when the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap."

¹⁴ So when the people set out from their tents to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, ¹⁵ and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), ¹⁶ the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. ¹⁷ Now the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. *People: Thanks be to God.*

Second Lesson - John 10:1-6

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ² But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵ A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶ This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon - The Very Rev. David Ball

The Apostles' Creed

- All please stand and say together.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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. and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

- The congregation may stand, or be seated.

Officiant:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with your spirit.
Officiant:	Let us pray.
Officiant:	Lord, have mercy upon us.
People:	Christ, have mercy upon us.
Officiant:	Lord, have mercy upon us.

- All pray together.

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.			
Officiant:	O Lord, show your mercy upon us;		
<i>People:</i>	And grant us Your salvation.		
Officiant:	O Lord, guide those who govern us;		
<i>People:</i>	And lead us in the way of justice and truth.		
Officiant:	Clothe Your ministers with righteousness;		
<i>People:</i>	And let your people sing with joy.		
Officiant:	O Lord, save Your people;		
<i>People:</i>	And bless Your inheritance.		

Officiant:	Give peace in our time, O Lord;
People:	And defend us by your mighty power.
Officiant:	Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
<i>People:</i>	<i>Nor the hope of the poor be taken away</i> .
Officiant:	Create in us clean hearts, O God;
<i>People:</i>	And take not Your Holy Spirit from us.

Collects for the Day

-The Officiant prays.

Heavenly Father, You made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You: Look upon the heartfelt desires of Your humble servants, and stretch forth the strong hand of Your Majesty to be our defense against our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, world without end. *Amen*.

O God our King, by the resurrection of Your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, You conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise You and to do Your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of Your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect for Missions

- All pray together.

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of Your saving embrace: So clothe us in Your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know You to the knowledge and love of You; for the honor of Your Name. Amen. - The congregation is invited to offer up their own prayers and petitions.

The General Thanksgiving

- All pray together.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we Your unworthy servants give You humble thanks for all Your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom You have made. We bless You for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for Your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And. we pray, give us such an awareness of Your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth Your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to Your service. and by walking before You in holiness and righteousness all our days: through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant:The Peace of the Lord be always with you.People:And with your spirit.

-The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord

Announcements

Offering Ways to give on Sunday morning

-Online at church-savior.org/give

-Text a donation amount to (904) 606-1165

-Place offering in the plate as it is passed

Offertory Song

He Leadeth Me O Blessed Thought

He leadeth me O blessed thought O words with heavenly comfort fraught Whate'er I do where'er I be Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me

He leadeth me He leadeth me By His own hand He leadeth me His faithful follower I would be For by His hand He leadeth me

And when my task on earth is done When by Thy grace the victory's won E'en death's cold waves I would not flee Since Thou through Jordan leadeth me *(Chorus)*

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A Prayer of St. John Chrysostom

- The Officiant continues in prayer.

Almighty God, You have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to You; and You have promised through Your well beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in His name You will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of Your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant:	Let us bless the Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

- All stand

Closing Hymn

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me O Thou great Jehovah Pilgrim through this barren land I am weak but Thou art mighty Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand Bread of heaven Bread of heaven Feed me now and ever more Feed me now and ever more

Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow Let the fiery cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through Strong Deliverer strong Deliverer Be Thou still my strength and shield Be Thou still my strength and shield

When I tread the verge of Jordan Bid my anxious fears subside Death of death and hell's destruction Land me safe on Canaan's side Songs of praises songs of praises I will ever give to Thee I will ever give to Thee

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Closing Sentence of Scripture

- The Officiant concludes the service.

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to Him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus forever and ever. *Amen.* - *Ephesians 3:20-21*



Church on the Move

2092 Beach Blvd is an active construction site! For your safety and that of the building crews, **PLEASE DO NOT VISIT!** Watch for upcoming scheduled opportunities scheduled for us to check out the progress.

The Church Office has a temporary location at **402 16th Ave S, Jax Bch**

Can I stop by the office? Please <u>call or text</u> to make sure COOS staff is onsite and Ocean Park Baptist doesn't have an event. We want to be courteous to our generous hosts.

How do I contact the office? Please call or text our <u>NEW</u> <u>office number (904) 747- COOS (2667)</u> or email <u>church@church-savior.org</u>

Where do I send mail? 2092 Beach Blvd, Jax Bch 32250



Happening Now:

Women's Bible Study: Fridays, 9:30a - 11:30a. Meeting at 402 16th Ave S. Fellowship Hall located in the Education Building.

Men's Breakfast Study: Tuesday 7:15-8:15at IHOP: 3250 Hodges Blvd

4:00pm Tea Time

Every Sunday before service, enjoy a time of fellowship. Tea Time begins at 4pm, with an assortment of teas, coffee and some sweet treats!





Fellowship Meal: Today after service. Everyone is invited to the Education Building to share a meal.

National Day of Prayer - May 2. 2024. 7:30am - 7:30pm National Day of Prayer is an annual observance on the first Thursday of May. This year, Church of Our Savior, along with The First Christian Church at the Beaches, along with Church of Our Savior, is offering a location for the community to participate in the National Day of Prayer on May 2nd from 7:30am to 7:30pm. Come to the beachside stage at 2125 Ocean Front in Neptune Beach to pray for our Nation. Prayer guides are available for self-lead prayer.

Serving This Week				
Welcoming	Abby			
Reading	Judy			
Ushers	Barbara & Cheri			

CHURCH of Our SAVIOR

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