

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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*Bringing Christ to the
people and the
people to Christ.*

We are a community of faith,
formed in the grace and
joy of Jesus Christ.

We are a people involved in
God's sure and unfolding
promise to mend His
creation through the life,
death and resurrection of
His Son, and in the power
of the Holy Spirit.

We are a church under the
cross of Christ, shaped by
the ancient rhythms of
Christian worship,
fellowship, and
service to others.

Come share the joy!

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Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. - Mark 1:29-31

A Christian is lord of all, completely free of everything.
A Christian is a servant, completely attentive to the needs of all.
- Martin Luther, *The Freedom of a Christian* (1520)

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany - Year B

February 4, 2024 • 10:00 A.M.



Our Members, Guests and Visitors

We are all on a journey of faith; God does not expect us to make the journey alone.

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Prelude - Dr. Jaeyong Lee

Welcome and Family News

- Welcome! Whether you are a longtime member or visiting for the first time, you are a gift from God to us. Guests, please fill out the yellow card on the back of your pew and place it in the offering plate later in the service.
- All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome to receive Communion.

Please stand

GATHERING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“COME, YOU THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME” (LBW #407) Vs. 1-3

Come, you thankful people, come;
raise the song of harvest home.

All is safely gathered in
ere the winter storms begin.

God our maker does provide
for our wants to be supplied.

Come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield.

Wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown.

First, the blade, and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear.

Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come
and shall take his harvest home.

From his field shall in that day
all offenses purge away,

Give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,

But the fruitful ears to store
in his garner evermore.

WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

As the Pastor says the Invocation, the Sign of the Cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of our Baptisms.

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C And also with you.**

KYRIE

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **C Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C Amen**

HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW, PGS. 79-80)

<i>Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.</i>	You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.	You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:	For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

^P The Lord be with you. ^C **And also with you.**

^P Immortal and everlasting God, through your power are the weak made strong and the ill made whole in body, mind, and spirit. Strengthen us through your Son's presence in Word and Sacrament that we may be bearers of your grace to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ^C **Amen**

Please be seated

The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 40:21-31

^R ²¹Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; ²³who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the

faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. ³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; ³¹but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

R This is the Word of the Lord! C **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 147:1-5

R ¹Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

C ²**The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.**

R ³He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

C ⁴**He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.**

R ⁵Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 9:16-23

R ¹⁶For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but if not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. ¹⁸What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. ¹⁹For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

R This is the Word of the Lord! C **Thanks be to God!**

Feeding Our Little Lambs ~ "Come into My Heart, Lord Jesus"

Into my heart, into my heart,
Come in-to my heart, Lord Je-sus;
Come in to-day, come in to stay;
Come into my heart, Lord Je-sus.

Please stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ "ALLELUIA" (LBW, p. 83)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st Chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

MARK 1:29-39

P The Gospel of the Lord. **C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Please be seated

SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

Why We Bear the Name of Christ

“Given such a Father – who overwhelms me with riches beyond number – why should I not freely, joyfully, with all my heart and an eager will, do things that I know are pleasing and acceptable to him? I will therefore give myself as a Christ to my neighbor, just a Christ offered himself to me.... Each of us should become a Christ to the other. And as we are Christs to one another, the result is that Christ fills us all and we become a truly Christian community.... Unfortunately, this type of life is unknown in our day. It is not preached about or sought after. Indeed, we are ignorant of our name and do not even know why we are Christians or bear that name. Now we ought to know that we are named after Christ – and not because he is absent but precisely because he dwells in our midst! Our trust in him means that we are Christs to one another and act toward our neighbors as Christ has acted toward us.” (Martin Luther, *The Freedom of a Christian*)

Please stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

“They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love ”

We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

Chorus:
And they'll know we are Christians
By our love by our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians
By our love

We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land
Chorus

We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other

We will work side by side
And we'll guard each man's dignity
And save each man's pride
Chorus

All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus
His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit
Who makes us one
Chorus

APOSTLES' CREED

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 power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. 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

^P Confident in God's steadfast love through Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers the congregation responds... Hear our prayer.

^P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. ^C **Amen**

Please be seated

OFFERING

Please stand

THE DOXOLOGY ~ “GLORY TO GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS” (WOV #787) Vs. 1

Glory to God, we give you thanks and praise;
Of heav’nly joy and earthly peace we sing.
We worship you, to you our hearts we raise,
Lord God, almighty Father, heav’nly King.

POST OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Please remain standing

THE HOLY MEAL

PASSING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** **And also with you.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ P. 88 LBW

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed good, right, and salutary that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow’r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: *Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

P Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

P Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C **Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C **Amen. Come Holy Spirit.**

P Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

C **Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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**

LAMB OF GOD ~ P. 92 LBW

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated

Distribution & Communion Hymns

"I RECEIVED THE LIVING GOD" (WOV #700)

“AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)

“LORD, YOU GIVE THE GREAT COMMISSION” (WOV #756)

Please stand

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C Amen**

CANTICLE ~ “NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD” (LBW #534) V. 3

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav’n adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen**

BENEDICTION ~ P. 94 LBW

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit. **C Amen**

SENDING HYMN

“GIVE THANKS”

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son

And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us

And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us
Give thanks

DISMISSAL

P The Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus’ name. **C Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please join us on **Friday, February 9th, at 11:30 am** for the Class Reunion Quartet! This Barbershop Quartet has performed at hundreds of events. Please bring a potluck dish or dessert (Valentine theme). We will have a special cake in honor of John and Mary Ferguson's 25th Anniversary! Also, bring a friend and a Valentine Card to exchange randomly.
- Quilts of Valor will be awarded on Sunday, February 18th at Noon. Stick around after worship to share this special event as Jim Anthony, John Ferguson, Jana Snyder and Travis Snyder will be recognized for their service to our country. Visitors are welcome.

Upcoming Activities at OSLC (February 5th - 11th)

Tuesday:	Quilter's	9:00 a.m.
	Spin Class	6:30 p.m.
Thursday:	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	CODA	6:00 p.m.
Friday:	PrimeTimers	11:30 a.m.
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #2	
Sunday:	Transfiguration Day	
	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.
	Sunday School & Youth	9:15 a.m.
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Council Meeting	11:30 a.m.

Our Worship Servants This Morning:

Greeter: Helen Siebert
Acolyte: Max Bothner
Ushers: Ryan Gibbs & Joe Coke
Cantor: Blaine Davis
Reader: Mary Ferguson
Communion Assistants: Jana Coke, Linda Webster, & Dee Miles
Projectionist: Toby Fite

Stewardship

Monthly Budget	\$ 25,245
Offerings on January 28th	\$ 5,298
Other Weekly Offerings	<u>\$ 875</u>
Total Weekly Offerings	\$ 6,173
Previous January Offerings	\$ 20,517
Total January Offerings	\$ 26,690

January 28, 2024

Attendance Last Week	116
2024 Average Attendance	99