# 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!

#### Our Pastor

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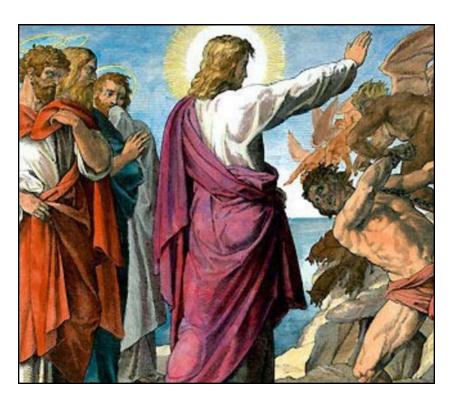
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Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world, and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

-Ephesians 6:12

"It has never been quite enough to say that God is in his heaven and all is right with the world; since the rumor is that God had left his heavens to set it right."

-G.K. Chesterton

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany - Year B January 28, 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. Pastor Martin Moore: 979-551-6222 • martinmoore55@gmail.com
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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

"Arise, Your Light Has Come" (WOV #652)

Arise, your light is come! The Sprit's call obey; Show forth the glory of your God, Which shines on you today.

Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door; Proclaim the captives' liberty, Good tidings to the poor. Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born, Bind up the broken-hearted ones And comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's pow'r will make us strong.

#### 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
- <sup>P</sup> 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,
- <sup>C</sup>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.

#### <sup>C</sup> 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.
- <sup>C</sup> 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)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace You take away the sin of the world; to his people on earth.

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. <sup>C</sup> And also with you.
- P Merciful One, grant to your church the heart to hear your compassionate healing grace as we gather around your word. Then, as you will, grant us courage and compassion to bear that life-giving word of grace to a world in need; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. <sup>C</sup>**Amen**

Please be seated

Installation of New Council Leaders (See Insert)

## The Service Of The Word

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 18:15-20

R This is the Word of the Lord! <sup>C</sup> Thanks be to God!

## **PSALM 111**

- R 1Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- <sup>C</sup> <sup>2</sup>Great are the deeds of the LORD! They are studied by all who delight in them.
- <sup>R</sup> <sup>3</sup>His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures forever.
- <sup>C</sup> <sup>4</sup>He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- <sup>R</sup> <sup>5</sup>He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- <sup>C</sup> <sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.

- R 7The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.
- <sup>C</sup> 8They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.
- <sup>R 9</sup>He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant forever; holy and awesome is his Name.
- <sup>C</sup> <sup>10</sup>The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures forever.

**SECOND READING:** 1 CORINTHIANS 8:1-13

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

**Feeding Our Little Lambs** ~ Glory Gopinath's Report on India

Please stand

## GOSPEL CANTICLE ~ "THY WORD"

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. ... and a light unto my path.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

<sup>P</sup> The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st Chapter.

<sup>C</sup> Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 1:21-28

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

Please be seated

## SERMON ~ PASTOR MARTIN MOORE

# Authority and Astonishment

"For though ... a Christian be tempted by the devil, he can easily oppose him and say, 'Devil, are you listening? Do you know that a Child has been born? Yes, indeed, do you know that He was born for us, that is, for me?'

That's when the devil has to back off."

-Martin Luther

Please stand

## HYMN OF THE DAY

"Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" (LBW #143)

Now all the vault of heav'n resounds in praise of love that still abounds: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear! Repeat their song of glory here: "Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eternal is the gift he brings, therefore our heart with rapture sings: "Christ has triumphed! He is living!" Now still he comes to give us life and by his presence stills all strife. Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; set heart and will on things above that we conquer through your triumph; grant grace sufficient for life's day that by our lives we truly say: Christ has triumphed! He is living! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Adoring praises now we bring and with the heav'nly blessed sing: "Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!" Be to the Father, and our Lord, to Spirit blest, most holy God, all the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia!

## 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

<sup>P</sup> 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.** 

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

#### **OFFERING**

Please stand

#### **THE OFFERTORY** ~ "I OFFER MY LIFE"

All that I am, all that I have I lay them down before You, O Lord; All of my hopes, all of my plans, my heart and my hands are lifted to You. lifting my praise to You as a pleasing sacrifice, Lord, I offer You my life.

## Chorus:

Lord, I offer my life to You, everything I've been through, use it for Your glory, Lord, I offer my days to You, What can we give that You have not given; and what do we have that is not already Yours?

All we possess are these lives we're living, and that's what we give to You, Lord. *Chorus* 

#### POST OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

<sup>C</sup> 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.

<sup>C</sup> And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

<sup>C</sup> 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**

<sup>C</sup> 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

- <sup>P</sup> 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.
- <sup>P</sup> Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- <sup>C</sup> 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.
- <sup>C</sup> 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.
- <sup>C</sup> Amen. Come Holy Spirit.
- <sup>p</sup> 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.
- <sup>C</sup> 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:
- <sup>C</sup>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**

"LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE" (LBW #198)

"HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD"

The splendor of the King Clothed in majesty; Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice. He wraps himself in light And darkness tries to hide, And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice.

#### Chorus:

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God! And all will see: How great, how great, is our God.

Age to age He stands And time is in His hands; Beginning and The End, Beginning and The End. The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son, The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb.

Chorus

Name above all names,
You are worthy of all praise,
And my heart will sing:
How great is our God.
Name above all names,
You are worthy of all praise,
And my heart will sing:
How great, how great, is our God
Chorus

## "I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE"

I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die I am God's love revealed I am broken that you might be healed

All who eat of this heavenly Bread All who drink this cup of the covenant You will live forever For I will raise you up

I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die I am God's love revealed I am broken that you might be healed

No one who comes to Me shall ever hunger again No one who believes shall ever thirst All that the Father draws shall come to Me

And I will give them rest

I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die

I am God's love revealed

I am broken that you might be healed

#### COMMUNION BLESSING

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

CANTICLE ~ "SONG OF SIMEON"

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace,
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the Salvation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of every people.
A light to reveal you to the Nations,
And the glory of your people, Israel.
Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace.

#### 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 ~

"LORD, YOU GIVE THE GREAT COMMISSION" (WOV #756) Vs. 1&2

I am the Bread of Life All who eat this Bread will never die I am God's love revealed I am broken that you might be healed

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No one who comes to Me shall ever hunger again

No one who believes shall ever thirst All that the Father draws shall come to Me

And I will give them rest

#### DISMISSAL

PThe Lord be with you! Go and serve in Jesus' name. C **Thanks be to God.** 

#### **POSTLUDE**

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 2024 Offering Envelopes in the office. 2023 Offering Statements were mailed out on 1/22/24.
- 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.

This Week's Devotional... THE LORD'S PRAYER (from Luther's Small Catechism)

As the head of the family should teach them in a simple way to his household.

#### The Seventh Petition

But deliver us from evil.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

## **Applying the Petition**

- 1. Pray for every unbaptized child, youth, and adult you know and for the child's parents, too.
- 2. Pray for your unchurched loved ones and friends. Invite one or more of them to worship.
- 3. Discuss with your spouse, your family, or a friend the fervent cry of this petition. Practice saying the Lord's Prayer one petition at a time with free prayer. So, then, after praying the 7th petition, you could say, "Father, you know how the father of lies always attacks us where we are vulnerable. Send your holy angels to guard and protect me and mine that we may rejoice in the deliverance you have given through your Son Jesus' precious blood."
- 4. For husbands and wives repeat daily: "I (name) take you (name) to be my wedded wife (husband), to have and to hold from this day forward; for better, for worse; for richer, for poorer; in sickness and in health; to love and to cherish until death do us part, according to God's holy ordinance, and thereto I pledge you my faith."

# **Our Worship Servants This Morning:**

Greeters: Gloria Bielfeldt & Glory Gopinath

Acolyte: Max Bothner

Ushers: Max Lewis & John Minster

Cantor: Blaine Davis
Reader: Sarah Cumming

Communion Assistants: Jan Moch, Becky Chambers, & Dee Miles

Projectionist: Toby Fite

	Upcoming Activities at OSLC (January 29th - February 3rd)			
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.		
Saturday:	Altar Guild Team #1			
Sunday:	Choir Practice	9:15 a.m.		
	Sunday School & Youth	9:15 a.m.		
	Worship Service	10:00 a.m.		

Stewardship			January 21, 2024		
Monthly Budget	\$	25,245	Attendance Last Week	110	
Offerings on January 21st Other Weekly Offerings Total Weekly Offerings	\$ <u>\$</u> \$	4,189 1,340 5,529	2024 Average Attendance	93	
Previous January Offerings	\$	14,988			
2024 Offerings to Date	\$	20,517			