

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany - January 30, 2022



Prelude

Announcements and prayer concerns

Sharing of Peace

Call to Worship (from Psalm 71)

A: O God, do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

C: I will hope continually, and will praise you yet more and more.

A: My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all day long, though their number is past my knowledge.

C: I will come praising the mighty deeds of the Lord God, I will praise your righteousness, yours alone.

A: O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.

C: So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to all the generations to come.

A: You will increase my honor, and comfort me once again.

C: My lips will shout for joy when I sing praises to you; my soul also, which you have rescued.

A: For God alone our soul waits in silence; from him comes our salvation.

C: He alone is our rock and our salvation, our fortress; we shall never be shaken.

A: On God rests our deliverance, our refuge is in God.

C: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out our heart before him; God is a refuge for us all.

Gathering Hymn – Christ, Be Our Light ELW #715 verses 1,2 & 5

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B63zLFQmp3U>

Invocation

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, +one God, who create us, redeems us and calls us by name.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children.

We turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected.

We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves.

We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome.

Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

L: Rejoice in the good news: In +Christ Jesus, our sins are forgiven. We are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven people of God.

C: Amen.

Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

**Hymn of Praise – Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing - ELW #886
verses 1-3**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nx0rCabJ16c>

Prayer of the Day

A: Almighty and ever-living God,

C: increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command,

A: through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The Word

First reading – Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ⁵“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” ⁶Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” ⁷But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” ⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6

¹In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

²**In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.**

³Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

⁴**Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.**

⁵For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

⁶**Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother’s womb. My praise is continually of you.**

Second reading – 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

<https://youtu.be/alt5isBUOZU>

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers,

and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel – Luke 4:21-30

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²¹Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” ²³He said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you will say, ‘Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.’” ²⁴And he said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might

hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message – Tim Leitner, SAM

https://youtu.be/_ZJOuganVcl

Hymn of the day --What Wondrous Love is This ELW #666

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DsVnvN3EVxY>

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.**

Prayers of Intercession

L: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

A: Guide your church in the ways of faith, hope, and love. Cultivate ministries and communities of compassion that bear witness to your enduring presence among us. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Teach us to live in humility on the earth. Curb arrogance that leads to destruction of natural resources and disregard for future generations. Inspire the work of scientists who urge us to live in harmony with your creation. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You are the refuge of all who seek hope and freedom. Accompany immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers who cross borders to find safety and opportunity. Embolden leaders to draft compassionate policies on behalf of migrants and those who assist them. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Love bears, believes, hopes, and endures all things. Comfort with your love all who are lonely, fearful, or brokenhearted. Sustain the hope of all those who suffer in body or spirit (*especially*). God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Your grace falls upon young and old alike. Bless the gifts of children in this congregation and in this community. Give us humble hearts to follow their leadership. Inspire us with their laughter, their insight, and their curiosity. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: We praise you for those who have gone before us and now see you face to face (*especially*). Abide with us in this mortal life until we rest in the arms of your never-ending love. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Offering Prayer

A: Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe.

C: You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world,

A: in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Meal – Consecration

The 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Communion

Post Communion Blessing

Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you
and keep you in His grace.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

A: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the
abundance of your house.

**C: Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all,
strengthened with the richness of your grace,**

A: through your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

Blessing

L: God, who leads us in pathways of righteousness,
who rejoices over us,
and who calls us by name,
bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.
+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn – Go, My Children, with My Blessing ELW #543

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wjM18fEzD60>

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.