



Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

Sharing God's Love with All!

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 14, 2018, 9:15 am

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness.....Pages 94 - 96 ELW

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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.

One of the following or another confession is prayed.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive 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: The presiding minister announces God's Forgiveness.

The service continues with gathering song.

Gathering Hymn “Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak” ELW #676

**Lord, speak to us, that we may speak
in living echoes of your tone;
as you have sought, so let us seek
your straying children, lost and lone.**

**Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead
the wand’ring and the wav’ring feet;
oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed
your hung’ring ones with manna sweet.**

**Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach
the precious truths which you impart;
and wing our words, that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.**

**Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord,
until our very hearts o’erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word,
your love to tell, your praise to show.**

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.

Canticle of Praise.....Glory to God in the highest.....Page 167-8

Prayer of the Day

P: Holy God, creator of light...

C: Amen.

Senior Choir Anthem.....”Great Is Your Love”

First Reading.....1 Samuel 3:1-10

Psalm.....Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

L: Lord, you have searched me out; O Lord, you have known me.

C: You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

L: You trace my journeys and my resting places and are acquainted with all my ways.

C: Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

L: You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

C: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

L: For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

C: I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

L: My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

C: Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; my days were fashioned before they came to be.

L: How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them!

C: If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Second Reading.....1 Corinthians 6:12-20

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (to be sung)

C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of

eternal life. Alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 1st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Lesson.....John 1:43-51

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SermonPastor Jonas

Hymn of the Day....."Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am".....ELW #814

**Take, oh, take me as I am;
Summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart
And live in me.**

The Nicene Creed.....ELW Page 104

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; 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, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and

the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession (Each petition will end with P: "Lord in your mercy"; please respond **C: "Hear our prayer."**)

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offering Hymn....."Shine, Jesus, Shine" v. 1.....ELW #671

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.
Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me:
Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
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The Great Thanksgiving.....Page 152

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.....Page 153

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
Heav'n 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.

Eucharistic Prayer

**P: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we
proclaim the mystery of faith.**

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

Lord's Prayer.....Page 154

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn....."Here I Am, Lord".....ELW #574

"I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

**“I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts are satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?”
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

Post Communion Prayer

Blessing

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn.....*“Will You Come and Follow Me”.....ELW #798*

**“Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown I you and you in me?”**

**“Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare, should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray’r in you and you in me?”**

**Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

Dismissal

P: Go in peace...

C: Thanks be to God.

Announcements

The **Annual Meeting** for Our Saviour's Church will be Sunday, January 28th after the service at 10:15 AM. The Annual Report will be available on Sunday, January 21st.

Church Council - Another year has almost gone by and as we look forward to the annual meeting, we are finding ourselves once again short of volunteers on the various boards and council. If you feel one of these may interest you, please contact the office or one of the church officers. The opportunities available are: President, Treasurer, Youth & Family Team (3-4), Property & Finance Team (6-8), & Church Council At Large. Please consider helping Our Saviour's to fill these positions. No experience is needed! Thank you!!!

Faithfully Refurbished - There will be a Faithfully Refurbished Planning Meeting on today at 10:15 AM.

WELCA Thanks You! - Thank you for the many donations to our Christmas Bakeless Bake Sale! Your generosity is really appreciated. We were able to donate \$100 each to TCHCC gift fund, New Horizons, RIF, Pajama Gramma, Missionary family (Frieberg's), Dedza Parish in Malawi & Whitehall Schools' Weekend Food project. We also sent \$200 to Lutheran World Relief for shipping costs for our 99 mission kits plus 5 quilts that we sent. Thank you again for helping with mission work here in Whitehall & in the world!

Mitten Tree - W-ELCA thanks everyone who donated to our Mitten Tree again this year. We had a very successful collection of 37 hats PLUS a bag of 16 hand knit hats under the tree, 17 pairs of gloves & mittens & 6 scarves. We donated them to the Whitehall Elementary School for emergency use. We also applied for & received a \$250 gift card from THRIVENT FINANCIAL with which we purchased several pairs of

sweatpants, socks & underwear also for emergency use at the Whitehall Elementary School. We will be buying more heavy duty mittens, gloves & hats with the balance on the card. Thanks for the generous support of our Mitten Tree!

Happy Birthday: Wishing a happy birthday this upcoming week to: Robert Speerstra, Harriet Witt, Martha Bruneau, Peter Semb, Tammie Coburn, Gloria Qualley, Kenneth Giese Sr., and Randy Olson.

Coming Up This Week:

- Today** - Worship 9:15 AM
 Sunday School 10:15 AM
 Youth & Family 10:15 AM
 Faithfully Refurbished Planning meeting 10:15 AM
- Tuesday** - Quilters 8:30 AM
 Interim Pastor meeting 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 Life & Growth Team 5:30 PM
 Worship Team 7:00 PM
 Board of Education 6:30 PM
- Wednesday** - Bible Study 9:30 AM
 Confirmation 5:30 PM
 J Crew 6:30 PM
 Choir 7:00 PM
 Grace Council 7:00 PM
- Thursday** - Pastor Conference meeting 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM
- Sunday** - Worship 9:15 AM
 Sunday School 10:15 AM

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Videographer: ???
Power Point: Frank family

Office Hours: M & W 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
T & Th 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM