



# Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

*Sharing God's Love with All!*

**Third Sunday After Epiphany**

January 22, 2017, 9:15 am

*Praise Team Sunday*

Welcome

Gathering Hymn.....*Create In Me A Clean Heart*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord, and take not Thy Holy  
Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and renew a  
right spirit within me.**

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.**

Confession (Let us pray together)

**C: Spirit of Life, we come acknowledging that we have turned away  
from the lives of others to our own selfish gain. We have  
abandoned a future together for quick successes here and now.  
We have become shortsighted, looking to our desires and ignoring  
the needs of others. Call us away from the temptation of the world  
and bring us back to a fulfilling life, a life in which we live for  
others, for you, and live out your call on our lives. In the name of  
Jesus, the life who is the light of all people. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**P:** Open your hearts to others and receive grace and forgiveness,

knowing that God loves you, and you are important and needed by God. God will continue on the side of love for you, as Christ went to the cross with the love of the world. You are forgiven. You are beloved by God.

**C: Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

**C: Amazing and Wondrous God, you continue to shed new light on the vision that guides us into a life of hope and joy. Keep us in your faithfulness when the world seems dark and bound to disorient us. Guide us away from the world's false light that shines, that holds us to where we are; instead, help us to grow with you in your light, for you are the light of the world, the life of all people, and your light will always shine in the darkness to guide our way. In the name of Jesus, who is the light of the world, we pray. Amen.**

Special Music.....*Come, Now Is The Time To Worship*.....Praise Team

Psalm.....Psalm 132:1-12

L: Lord, remember David, and all the hardships he endured;

**C: How he swore an oath to the Lord and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob.**

L: "I will not come under the roof of my house, nor climb up into my bed;

**C: I will not allow my eyes to sleep, nor let my eyelids slumber;**

L: Until I find a place for the Lord, a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

**C: "The ark! We heard it was in Ephrathah; we found it in the fields of Ja'ar.**

L: Let us go to God's dwelling place; let us fall upon our knees before God's footstool."

**C: Arise, O Lord, into your resting place, you and the ark of your**

**strength.**

L: Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; let your faithful people sing with joy.

**C: For your servant David’s sake, do not turn away the face of your anointed.**

L: The Lord has sworn an oath to David, and in truth, will not break it: “A son, the fruit of your body, will I set upon your throne.

**C: If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, their children will sit upon your throne forevermore.”**

Reading.....Daniel 3:19-27

Daniel in Exile.....Mike Anhorn

Hymn of the Day.....*Step By Step*

**Oh God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. Oh God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.**

**I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.**

**And I will follow you all of my days, and I will follow you all of my days. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.**

Apostles Creed.....Page 105

Prayers of Intercession (Each petition will end with “Lord in your mercy”; please respond “**Hear our prayers**”.)

Sharing of the Peace

## Offering

Offering Hymn.....*Lord, I Lift Your Name On High*.....#857

**Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.**

## Offering Prayer

P: Knowing that many voices clamor and compete, we pray that these offerings given may become symbolic of our decision to serve one master, one God.

**C: Amen.**

Lord's Prayer.....Page 145

Sending Hymn.....*Go In Peace and Serve The Lord*

**Go in peace and serve the Lord, God is calling you today. Go and tell gospel news everywhere. Go in peace and serve the Lord, God is calling you today. To bring truth and love to every nation.**

## Blessing

P: Go out in response to the voice of God who calls you, proclaim the message of the Kingdom of God. Go out united in purpose and do not be afraid when your purpose is called foolishness. And may God be a sheltering tent above you and a firm rock below; may the foolishness of Christ Jesus be your wisdom; and may the Holy Spirit be the light that overcomes your darkness and sets you free.

**C: Amen.**

P: Go in peace, love and serve the Lord, and one another!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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## **Announcements**

**Office Hours Change:** The church office will be permanently changing its hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays to 7:00am - 1:00pm and will no longer be open on Fridays, effective immediately. Please take note and sorry for any inconveniences!

**WELCA Donations:** Thanks for the generous support of the WELCA Mitten/Hat Tree during the Christmas Season. We collected 27 hats and 25 pairs of gloves and mittens. We will be donating them to the Whitehall Elementary School for students that are in need this winter.

**Pastor Vacation:** Pastor Dorothy Sandahl will be on vacation January 24<sup>th</sup> thru January 31<sup>st</sup>. Pastor Bowman and Pastor Christianson will be available for any emergencies. Sorry for any inconveniences.

**Celebration Sunday:** Anybody who celebrated a birthday or special occasion in the month of January, please feel free to bring a treat to share after worship next Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> in celebration!

**French Toast Breakfast:** Please support your area Girl Scouts by joining them for a French Toast Breakfast on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am - 12:00pm in Our Saviour's Fellowship Hall. Menu includes french toast, sausage, fruit cup, coffee and milk.

**Committee Leaders:** Please remember to update the office, or write on the calendar outside of the office, times of any practices, meetings, events, and so forth so that they can be added to the Sunday announcements and monthly Messengers. Thanks!

**Annual Meeting:** Our Saviour's annual congregational meeting will take place after worship on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Happy Birthday:** Wishing a happy birthday this upcoming week to:  
**Andrea Lyga, Donald Lewis, Donald Johnson, Lisa Haines, and Karla Ausderau.**

**Please pray for the following:** Barb Harms, Karl Fernholz, Roy Arneson, George Przybilla, Goodwin Anderson, Vicki Windjue, Steven Hanvold, Ralph Johnson, Lara Schansberg, Charlie Bratz, Fern Moe, Bob Guinn, Jeff Betthausen, Mary Eid Everson, Jerry Betthausen, Elaine Foss, Linda Schroeder, Christin Stoutner, and Bev Brey.

**Coming Up This Week:**

**Monday** - Bible Study 6:15pm

**Wednesday** - Bible Study 9:30am

Confirmation 4:00pm (Going to Independence)

JCrew 6:30pm

**Sunday** - Girl Scout French Toast Breakfast 8:00am

Sunday Worship 9:15am

Sunday School 10:15am

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