



# Lutheran Church of Our Savior

## ☩ DIVINE SERVICE ☩

*Setting I - Service of the Word*

10:00am

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

**Jan 25, 2026**

### Our Mission

Responding to God's love, Lutheran Church of Our Savior desires to reach more people for Christ by proclaiming Him, by growing in faith, and by caring for all people.

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### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING HYMN

*Arise*

**TSI**

1. Let ev'ry valley be raised up,  
and ev'ry lowly heart be filled.  
Arise and wipe away your tears,  
for your eyes shall see the Lord revealed.
2. Let ev'ry mountain be made low,  
cast down your trust in might and gold.  
And crown yourself with humble faith,  
that your God provides a truer hope.

**Chorus:** Arise, arise, awake your soul in the glory of the coming Lord.  
Rejoice, rejoice, prepare the way for the One who comes in pow'r to save.

3. Make straight the road to Bethlehem,  
that marches on to Calvary.  
The King is on His way to save,  
He the rescue in our deepest need. **(Chorus)**
4. All those who wander without home,  
striving in the wilderness.  
He is not far, He is not far,  
you will soon behold God's very face. **(Chorus x two)**

Stand

## CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTiON

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Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the **☩** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: 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 on God's Word and for self-examination)*

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the **☩** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

## KYRIE

Sung

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: 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.

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Amen.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Gloria in Excelsis*

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## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let Us Pray:

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

## RESPONSIVE PSALM READING

Pastor: The Lord is my light and my salvation;

**People: whom shall I fear?**

Pastor: The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

**People: of whom shall I be afraid?**

Pastor: When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,

**People: my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.**

Pastor: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

**People: though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**

Pastor: One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:

**People: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,**

Pastor: to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.

**People: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;**

Pastor: he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;

**People: he will lift me high upon a rock.**

Pastor: And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me,

**People: and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**

Pastor: Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! You have said,

**People: "Seek my face."**

Pastor: My heart says to you,

**People: "Your face, Lord, do I seek."**

Pastor: Hide not your face from me.

**People: Turn not your servant away in anger,**

## Psalm 27

Pastor: O you who have been my help.

**People: Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!**

Pastor: For my father and my mother have forsaken me,

**People: but the Lord will take me in.**

Pastor: Teach me your way, O Lord,

**People: and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.**

Pastor: Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;

**People: for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.**

Pastor: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!

**People: Wait for the Lord;**

Pastor: be strong, and let your heart take courage;

**People: wait for the Lord!**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 9:1-4*

Reader: The Old Testament Lesson is from Isaiah the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.

But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING

Reader: The Epistle Lesson is from 1 Corinthians the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



## 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Stand

## HOLY GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:12-25

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, those having seizures, and paralytics, and he healed them. And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

## UPWARD BOUND KIDS

*I Just Want to be a Sheep  
Unshakable Joy*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON HYMN

*All Christians Who Have Been Baptized*

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## SERMON

## APOSTLES' CREED

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

People: And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

## OFFERINGS

*Presented during Instrumental*

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.  
(2 Corinthians 9:7)

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH *From Divine Service Setting 5 LSB p.215*

Pastor: Friends in Christ, I urge you all to lift up your hearts to God and pray with me as Christ our Lord has taught us and freely promised to hear us. God, our Father in heaven, look with mercy on us, Your needy children on earth, and grant us grace that Your holy name be hallowed by us and all the world through the pure and true teaching of Your Word and the fervent love shown forth in our lives. Graciously turn from us all false doctrine and evil living whereby Your precious name is blasphemed and profaned. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: May Your kingdom come to us and expand. Bring all transgressors and those who are blinded and bound in the devil's kingdom to know Jesus Christ, Your Son, by faith that the number of Christians may be increased. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Strengthen us by Your Spirit according to Your will, both in life and in death, in the midst of both good and evil things, that our own wills may be crucified daily and sacrificed to Your good and gracious will. Into Your merciful hand we commend [those we name in our hearts now] and all who are in need, praying for them at all times: Thy will be done. Lord, in Your mercy.

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Grant us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and help us trust in You to provide for all our needs. Lord, in Your mercy.

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Forgive us our sins as we also forgive those who sin against us so that our hearts may be at peace and may rejoice in a good conscience before You, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us. Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lead us not into temptation, O Lord, but help us by Your Spirit to subdue our flesh, to turn from the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil with all his wiles. Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: And lastly, O heavenly Father, deliver us from all evil of both body and soul now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy.

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: We trust, O Lord, in Your great mercy to hear and answer us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom as you teach us to pray:

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

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Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

*Jesus Loves Me*

*LSB 588*

<b>Worship Assistants</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
Acolyte	Lucy Chaney
Elder	Art Atrops
Usher	Jim LaBelle
Lesson Reader	Becky Zielke
Keyboard	
Media	Chad Thorstenson
Altar Guild	Sara Chaney