

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
**January 25, 2026**  
***Oak Lake Lutheran Church***  
***Kerrick, MN 55756 (218) 485-8710***  
***Pastor: Tim Ehling (320)226-7074***

**AS WE GATHER:** We are happy that you are worshiping with us today.  
Today's worship service is being led by Hila Dipman.

L: Leader C: Congregation \*Please stand as you are able

Welcome and Announcements

\* L: As we gather, let us worship God together.

**All: We come before you, Mighty God, asking forgiveness and cleansing for our lives that are rough and unfinished. Cleanse us, purify us, give us your gentle love, your pure peace, and your shining hope. Let the offering of our lives be beautiful and unhindered.**

**\*Hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"** LBW, Pg 439

First Lesson—Isaiah 9:1-4	The government of the Promised Son
Psalm 27:1, 4-9 pg 227	An Exuberant Declaration of Faith
1 Corinthians 1:1-18	Sectarianism is Sin
Matthew 4:12-23	Jesus Begins His Galilean Ministry

Sermon: Just Exactly—Who Are We?

**\*Hymn: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"** LBW, Pg 315

**Sharing the Peace**

**OFFERING PRAYER:** C. Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

**\*Sending Hymn: "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"**

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**\*Benediction:** The expression of Christian character is not good doing, but God-likeness. God's life in us expresses itself as God's life, not as human life trying to be godly. (Oswald Chambers)

L: Well said! Go in peace,  
**C. Serve the Lord.**

#### **--ANNOUNCEMENTS--**

We welcome all to worship today. Please join us after the service for treats and conversation. Members, especially, greet our visitors and invite them to your table.

January 28 - Sunday School and Confirmation classes at 6 pm  
January 29 – Cooperative Church Council meets at 6pm at Hope in Moose Lake

**February 1st – worship at 11:15 Annual Meeting** after. Potluck lunch to follow. All ages sleigh ride in the woods – after potluck. Please RSVP to Julie Gunderson for planning purposes. We will meet at the church at 1:30 and carpool the 2 miles to the site of the sleigh ride through the woods. Hot chocolate and coffee provided. Bring your own cup (thermal for hot) or your water bottle. If you wish to roast a marshmallow (or two – provided), bring a fork or two if you are able. A fun day for all is planned!

**Offering**