



Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Aurora, MN

January 22, 2023

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Pastor Greg Anderson

PRELUDE

HEARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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HYMN You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

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GREETING

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HYMN OF PRAISE “Lord God, heavenly king...”

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, your loving kindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

But there will be no gloom for those who were 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 will make 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 lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

R: The word of the Lord. C: *Thanks be to God.*

PSALM 27:1, 4-9 (please read responsively)

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!
“Come,” my heart says, “seek his face!” Your face, LORD, do I seek.

Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's

people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been 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 can 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 proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

R: The word of the Lord. C: *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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C: *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go...*

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GOSPEL INTRODUCTION

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C: *Glory to you O Lord.*

GOSPEL

Matthew 4:12-23

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had

been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked 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 fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

GOSPEL RESPONSE

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C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult LBW # 494

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. 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. 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

P: Merciful God, **C: *receive our prayer.***

THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Create in me.....

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Liberating God, you break the bonds of justice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, **C: Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION		LBW pg. 95
SENDING HYMN	I Love to Tell the Story	LBW # 390
DISMISSAL		LBW pg. 95
POSTLUDE		

Thank you to those who helped with today's service ~

Pastor Greg Anderson

Reader ~ Mary Mulari

Ushers ~ Mary Hess & Doug Shuck

Music ~ Diane Boback

~Prayer Concerns~

Joy Norman, Charlotte and Ken Carlson, Louise Ellingson, Glorene Clark, Bill Utley, Joanne Barstad

~Calendar ~

Tuesday	8:30	Bandage Rolling
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2:00 Interchurch Meeting @ St. Marks

Wednesday 9:00 Quilting
**** Bulletin Announcement Deadline

Next Sunday 10:30 Worship/HC and Sunday School

11:30 Coffee an

Next Sunday ~ January 29, 2023

Pastor Greg Anderson

Reader ~ Janet Salo

Ushers ~ Jack Jeffery & Mark Boback

Music ~ Diane Boback

~ Announcements~

Annual Meeting is today, following our worship service. There are a couple reports that came in after the deadline and printing of the Annual Report. There are copies of those on the table in the narthex.

Wanted ~ Donated white sheets for the mission project of making bandages for Global Ministries. If you have any questions, please call Jan Moore at 229-3466.

Prayer Concerns ~ Everyone, if you need or know someone who needs/wants prayers, please call the church office, Pastor Greg, Deb Maki or call the prayer chain as printed in the weekly bulletins and monthly EyeOpener.

Prayer Chain ~ When anyone is in need of prayer for special needs, concerns or support, please call Pastor Greg, or anyone on the list of the prayer chain. All requests and prayers are kept confidential. Lorraine Ekman 229-3328, Janet Salo 229-2332 or 404-3358, Yvonne Trowbridge 229-2463, Linda Loeffler 229-0130, Jan Moore 229-3466, Kate Undeland 780-2436, Debbie Maki 290-1471.

Snow Shoveling List ~ Thank you to all who shovel, you all are very much appreciated!!

1/20 – 1/26	Chad Skelton
1/27 – 2/2	Mark Boback
2/3 – 2/9	Kim Norman