

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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JANUARY 24TH, 2021 + THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Take a Breath. Jesus Calls.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people, whose goodness, cascades over all creation. **Amen.**

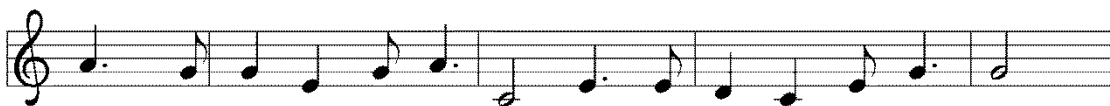
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another...Gracious God, **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

How vast is God's grace! Through the power and promise of ☩ Christ Jesus, our sins are washed away and we are claimed as God's own beloved. Indeed, we are forgiven. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"Give Me Jesus" #770



1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,
2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,
3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,
4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,
5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
dark. . . mid-night was my cry, give me Je - sus.
just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.
and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.



GREETING (ELW p. 138)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE (ELW P. 138)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

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. **Lord, have mercy.**

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

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 139)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

LET THE CHILDREN COME...

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The book of Jonah is a comedy starring a reluctant prophet who is given a one-sentence message: Nineveh will be destroyed in forty days. Much to Jonah's dismay, the people of Nineveh repent. The point of the story is to get the reader to wrestle with the question "On whom should God have mercy?"

PSALM 62:5-12

God alone is my rock and my salvation. (Ps. 62:6)

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Paul does not disapprove of marriage or other human social institutions. He does, however, want Christians to live in the present in fervent anticipation of God's future, which even now has dawned through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

Before Jesus calls his first disciples, he proclaims a message that becomes known as "the gospel" or good news from God. God is ready to rule our lives. Those who realize this will respond with repentance and faith.

SERMON

HYMN

"You Have Come Down the Lakeshore" #817



1	Tú	has	ve - ni - do_a la_o - ri - lla,	no has bus -
1	You	have	come down to the lake - shore	seek - ing
2	You	know	full well what I have, Lord:	nei - ther
3	You	need	my hands, my ex - haus - tion,	work - ing
4	You	who	have fished oth - er wa - ters;	you, the



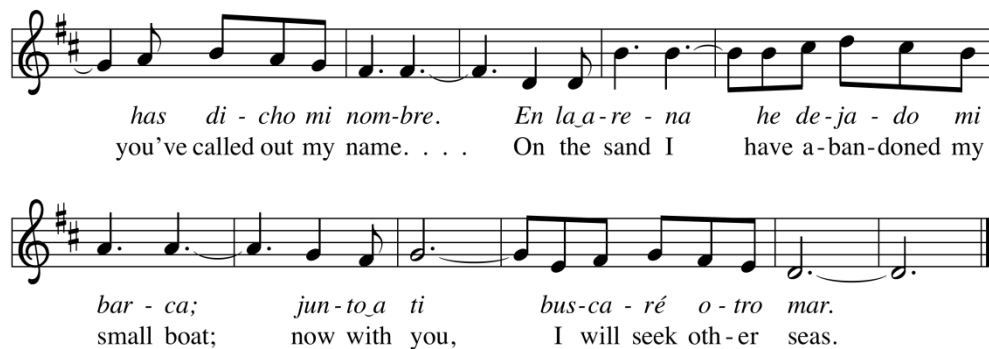
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love for	the rest of the	wea - ry—	a love that's
long - ing	of souls that are	yearn - ing:	O lov - ing



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ask - ing	for me	to	fol - low.
fish nets	and will	for	work - ing.
will - ing	to go	on	lov - ing.
Friend, you	have come	to	call me.



Se - ñor,	me has mi - ra - do_a los	o - jos;	son - ri - en - do,
Sweet Lord,	you have looked in - to my	eyes;	kind - ly smil - ing,



NICENE CREED (ELW p. 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 truly 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 in glory 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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN:

"As Saints of Old" #695

- 1 As saints of old their firstfruits brought of orchard, flock, and field to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield; so we today firstfruits would bring, the wealth of this good land, of farm and market, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.**
- 2 A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give; to make our life an offering to God, that all may live. The church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true: a world redeemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.**
- 3 In gratitude and humble trust we bring our best today to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way. O God, who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son, teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.**

OFFERING PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN:

“Shine Jesus Shine” #671

Refrain

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!

1 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...*Refrain*

2 As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me...*Refrain*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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This Week's Radio Broadcast is given by Dale Hanson in memory of Gayle Hanson. Her birthday would have been of January 29th.

Sunday Worship from Home continues: 8:30 am Facebook Live, 11:00 KOVC 1490 AM Radio Broadcast, afternoon "OSLC Valley City" YouTube. If you will like a bulletin mailed to you, please contact the church office.

January Worship Opportunities: For those for whom worshipping from home isn't working, we will resume in person worship opportunities with short, socially distanced services of Word and Prayer on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. January 24th will include Holy Communion. At 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday 26th, we will offer a short service of Prayer and Holy Communion. As always, these in person opportunities are subject to change.

January Bible Reading Challenge: During the month of January, you are invited to read the gospel of Mark. If you read one chapter a day, you could read the whole story of Jesus' life in just over 2 weeks. Will you join the challenge?

The 2021 Missionary Calendar is now available to be filled! Claim a date and donate \$25 in support of our missionaries, Willie and Anne Langdji and Global Health Ministries. Donations can be made with checks clearly marked for "Missionary Calendar" or through the "GIVE" button on our website, oursaviorsvc.org.

Monday Morning Prayer Group will not gather in person at this time. From wherever we are on Monday mornings, we will start our week in prayer as we pause and pray for the people of Our Savior's as well as a variety of prayer concerns. This week, we hold in prayer: Carolyn Timm; Jerome Timm; Luke & Loni Trapp, Emma, Simon; Travis & Mindy Tvedt, Bentley; Delores Ust; James & Brenda Veach; Clayton & Beverly Velure.

Apartment for Rent Unfurnished, ~950 square feet, 2nd floor apartment with hot water & heat included, two bedroom (carpet), hardwood floor hallway/living room, stove, fridge, shared washer and dryer, private entrance with off street parking. (No pets or smoking). Call Bobby Koeplin 701-840-0250.

The Annual Meeting of Our Savior's Lutheran Church is scheduled for Sunday, January 31st at 10:30 a.m.

You can attend the meeting either in person or online through Zoom. If you wish to attend through Zoom, you will need to register. You may email rev.emmy@gmail.com to request a registration link.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity! Offerings can be mailed to the church office at 138 3rd St. NW, Valley City, ND. Online offerings can be made at the church website, www.oursaviorsvc.org, by clicking the blue "Give Now" button at the bottom of the homepage.

January – December 2020

Year To Date Income \$340,144.94

Year To Date Expense \$356,138.83

Year To Date – Expense Over Income (-\$16,178.91)

A week of OSLC ministry: \$7,148.10

Last week's General Fund Offering: \$4,189.13