

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship – 9:15 am.

Rev. Vernon Lintvedt, Pastor
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and Matt Martin
Cheryl Vohlken, Organist
Sunday School – 10:45 am

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 23, 2022

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Psalm 118:19–24

L: Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

C: **This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

L: I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

C: **The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.**

L: This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

C: **This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L: Let us confess our sins to God, our merciful Father.

C: **Today, O God, we find ourselves in need of Your forgiveness. As we look back over the week we see moments of our unfaithfulness. Our thoughts, words, and actions have not reflected the love You have placed in our hearts through Your Holy Spirit. We have resisted obeying Your holy will and deserve the judgment Your law requires. But because Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, has fulfilled Your Law on our behalf, we beg Your forgiveness and grace to restore us to life with You in the fellowship of all believers. Renew a right spirit within us, O Lord, for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF GRACE

SHARING THE PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE "Mighty to Save" mp3

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

Lord God, Your Word clearly shows Your love for the world in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Give to us both heartfelt repentance and faith that we may rejoice together and praise Your goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10*
(Ezra reads the Law.)

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 12:12–31a* (One Body with many members)

VERSE *Luke 4:18a*

L: Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,

C: **because He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor.
Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 4:16–30* (Jesus rejected at Nazareth)

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read.)

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN No. 915 “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

Today Your mercy calls us
To wash away our sin.
However great our trespass,
Whatever we have been,
However long from mercy
Our hearts have turned away,
Your precious blood can wash us
And make us clean today.

Today Your gate is open,
And all who enter in
Shall find a Father’s welcome
And pardon for their sin.
The past shall be forgotten,
A present joy be giv’n,
A future grace be promised,
A glorious crown in heav’n.

Today our Father calls us;
His Holy Spirit waits;
His blessed angels gather
Around the heav’nly gates.
No question will be asked us
How often we have come;
Although we oft have wandered,
It is our Father’s home.

O all-embracing Mercy,
O ever-open Door,
What should we do without You
When heart and eye run o’er?
When all things seem against us,
To drive us to despair,
We know one gate is open,
One ear will hear our prayer.

SERMON “Today!” Luke 4:16-30 Pastor Vern

CONFESSION OF FAITH THE APOSTLES’ CREED *stand*

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

**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.**

**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.**

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Final Petition)

L: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord who taught and enables us to pray saying:

LORD'S PRAYER *(Matthew 6:9-13)*

**All: 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.**

BLESSING OF THE LORD *Numbers 6:24-26*

P: 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.
C: **Amen.**

HYMN No. 571 “God Loved the World So That He Gave” (vss. 1-3, 6)

God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.

God would not have the sinner die;
His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To you, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

SENDING

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
C: **Thanks be to God!**



May **God**
continue to
 bless us;
let all the
 ends of
 the earth
revere him.

Psalm 67:7, NRSV