

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship –9:30 am.

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Sunday School & Bible Class: 10:45am

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY

January 19, 2025

OPENING HYMN Video: "Open Our Eyes," by Bob Cull

INVOCATION

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



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** 1 John 1:8-9

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C: **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 upon 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.**
P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sin. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
C: Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

THE PSALM *Psalm 139:1-4, 13-14*

P: O Lord, you have searched me and known me!
C: **You know when I sit down and when I rise up;**
P: you discern my thoughts from afar.
C: **You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all of my ways.**

P: Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.
C: **For you formed my inward parts;**
P: You knitted me together in my mother's womb.
C: **I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.**
P: Wonderful are your works;
C: **My soul knows it very well.**
All: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Wonderful are your works, O Lord; my soul knows it every well.**

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.
Almighty and eternal God, Governor of all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of your people, and grant us your peace in our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT *Isaiah 62:1-5* ("As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.")

P: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING *1 Corinthians 12:1-11* (The Spirit bestows many gifts but for one purpose—that God may be glorified and His church edified.)

P: This is the Word of the Lord.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL *John 2:1-11* (The first miracle of Jesus at Cana of Galilee, where He turned water into wine.) (*Please stand.*)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.
C: **(Spoken) Glory to You, O Lord.**

(After the reading)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: **(Spoken) Praise to You, O Christ. (Please be seated.)**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY LSB #408, "Come, Join in Cana's Feast"

**Come join in Cana's feast
Where Christ is honored guest.
He welcomes all who come to taste
The wine His hands have blessed.**

**The old wine now is gone
From jars that stand apart.
No longer can it satisfy
The yearning, thirsting heart.**

**But Christ, the Word made flesh,
Bids water turn to wine.
He fills our empty cups again
With grace and truth divine.**

**Come, friends, and share the feast;
Here drink the wine supplied
By Him who is both guest and host
For us, the crucified.**

**For now He lives and reigns
Through all eternity
With Father, Spirit, Three in One,
The glorious Trinity.**

SERMON John 2:1-11, "The Caring Christ at Cana," Rev. Tony Troup

CREED *The Nicene Creed. (Please rise.)*

OFFERING *(Please be seated for the offering.)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SELF-EXAMINATION

The Apostle Paul encourages us to examine ourselves in the light of God's law so that we may see our sin and recognize our need of a Savior. We take a moment to reflect on this need and then to ask ourselves the following questions:

1. Are you baptized in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit?
2. Do you know you are a sinner in need of God's grace?
3. Do you believe Jesus died to atone for your sins?
4. Do you believe that God offers His forgiveness through the "real" presence of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine?
5. Do you seek to amend your sinful life?

PREFACE *2 Timothy 4:22*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and all places give thanks to you, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, and now we praise you that you sent us your only-begotten Son and that in him, being found in fashion as a man, you manifested the fullness of your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

SANCTUS (Sung, LSB page 161)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Video

#394 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

636 "Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness"

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise," LSB P. 164

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; Tell everyone what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, you have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of his coming, we may, together with all your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in his kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who live and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

BENEDICTION *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.** (*Please rise for our closing hymn.*)

CLOSING HYMN LSB #550, "Lamb of God"

**Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God. Refrain**

Refrain:

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

**Your Gift of love they crucified,
They laughed and scorned Him as He died:
The humble King they named a fraud,
And sacrificed the Lamb of God. Refrain**

**I was so lost, I should have died,
But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod,
And to be called a lamb of God. Refrain**



THE SENDING

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**