

Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

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Worship –9:30 am.

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Cheryl Vohlken, Organist
Sunday School & Bible Class: 10:45am

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 26, 2025

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

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



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 19:7–9, 11–14*

P: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;
C: **the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;**

P: the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the just decrees of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.
C: **Moreover, by them is Your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.**

P: Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.
C: **Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

P: Let us confess our sin to God our Father.

C: **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God has had mercy upon you and has given His only Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Jesus Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: **Amen.**

P: He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE .

HYMN OF PRAISE No. 948 “All Glory Be to God Alone”

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.
O almighty and eternal Father, You defend us from error and join us into the unity of the one Body of Christ, the church, so that we might give witness to Your name. Help us to live out the unity of faith within the Body of

peace through our life together under Your Word; through Jesus Christ, 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* (They taught the Word of the Lord clearly so that the people might understand.)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 12:12–31a* (Though individually members, we are all one Body in Christ.)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE Luke 4:18a

P: 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 opens a scroll to read and fulfills its words in His person and work.)

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TALK

Brett Arrasmith

HYMN OF THE DAY No. 658 "Preserve Your Word, O Savior"

Preserve your Word, O Savior,
To us this latter day,
And let Your Kingdom flourish;
Enlarge Your Church, we pray.
Oh, keep our faith from failing;
Keep hope's bright star aglow.
Let nothing from truth turn us
While living here below.

Preserve, O Lord, Your honor,
The bold blasphemer smite;
Convince, convert, enlighten
The souls in error's night.
Reveal Your will, dear Savior,
To all who dwell below,
Great light of all the living,
That all Your name may know.

Preserve, O Lord, Your Zion,
Bought dearly with Your blood;
Protect what You have chosen
Against the hellish flood.
Be always our defender
When dangers gather round;
When all the earth is crumbling,
Safe may Your Church be found.

Preserve Your Word and preaching.
The truth that makes us whole,
The mirror of Your glory,
The pow'r that saves the soul.
Oh, may this living water,
This dew of heav'nly grace,
Sustain us while here living
Until we see Your face.

Preserve in wave and tempest
Your storm-tossed little flock;
Assailed by wind and weather,
May it endure each shock.
Stand at the helm, our pilot,
And set the course aright;
Then we will reach the harbor
In Your eternal light.

SERMON "Another Church Service?" Luke 4:16–30 Pastor David Pelsue

CREED – The Apostles' Creed (please rise)

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9–13*

C: 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.

(Please be seated.)

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.

HYMN No. 917 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" (please rise)

Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease,
Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;
With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day.
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon Thy name.

Grant us Thy peace, Lord through the coming night;
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light.
From harm and danger keep Thy children free;
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

Grant us Thy peace through-out our earthly life,
Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife;
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.



All who heard him
were amazed...

Luke 2:47, NRSV

