## OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Pastor Joe Johnson Pastor Amanda Johnson

Cindy Doeden - Church Office: 636-5701; Hours: 9am-3pm, M-F Radio Broadcast at 8:30am on KMSR 1520 AM and KMAV 105.5 FM <u>TV Broadcast at 8:30am and 10:30am on HTC Channel 34</u>

> Sunday, January 5, 2025 Second Sunday of Christmas 8:30 AM

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING HYMN:** "Be Thou My Vision"

ELW 793

1) Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2) Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

3) Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

4) Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS L (Leader); C (Congregation) L: In the name of the Father, and of the ∜Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

L: 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.

C: Amen

- L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- L: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on 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 L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

## GREETING

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

## **HYMN OF PRAISE:** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

ELW 836

1) Joyful, joyful we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

2) All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird, and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

3) Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Holy Spirit,

C: Be with us in this new year. Be in our eyes as we look for Jesus, be in our thoughts as we surrender to your will. Be in our movements, speech, and actions. Help us to see and do your will. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW p. 151

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

## GOSPEL READING: Luke 2:41-52 "The Boy Jesus at the Temple"

<sup>41</sup> Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. <sup>42</sup> When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. <sup>43</sup> After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. <sup>44</sup> Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup> When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. <sup>46</sup> After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup> Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup> When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you." <sup>49</sup> "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying to them. <sup>51</sup> Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup> And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" ELW 712

1) Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed: we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart; consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

2) Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead. As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

3) As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share. (Continued on next page...)

4) Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give, that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

#### PRAYER SONG

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- L: Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

**OFFERING / OFFERTORY:** "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" ELW 184 Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

ELW 752

(Repeat Prayer Song)

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#### THE LORD'S PRAYER ELW p. 154

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.

**HOLY COMMUNION** All are Welcome at the Lord's table. Note that all the communion wine is alcohol-free and the communion bread is gluten-free.

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING HYMN: "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

ELW 536

1) God be with you till we meet again; by good counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.

**Refrain:** Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

2) God be with you till we meet again; holy wings securely hide you, daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

3) God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you, put unfailing arms around you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

#### **BLESSING / THREE BELLS**

#### DISMISSAL

- L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C: Helping people experience the Love of God.

#### POSTLUDE

# O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

#### Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's. Those celebrating birthdays <u>today</u>: Anna Wiegandt, Cindy Doeden

#### God's Healing Presence for...

	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Sonja Diehl	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Larry (Butch) Lovas	Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Patrick Flanagan	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Carol Christianson	John (Veronika Pawlikowski's dad)
Kenna Kappes	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Becky Foss	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Peggy Gilbertson	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Deb Kritzberger	Kim Olson (Pastor Joe's cousin)
Liz Hanson	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Karen Paulson	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Susie Anderson	Tom Wait (friend of Jon Bertsch)
Charlie Anderson	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)
	Dr. Rich Martin (Cheri and family)

Safety for those serving in the Military... especially those serving in combat areas:

**Our Sympathy to...** Those in our church family who have experienced the death of a family member or friend:

**EDUCATION PASTOR:** Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895 **VISITATION MINISTER:** Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

**HEAD USHERS:** (8:30) Ed Laxdal (10:30) Josh Opp **ACOLYTES:** (8:30) Ryland Carlson, Lillie Drake (10:30) Coy Hass, Alexis Iverson

ATTENDANCE: December 29, 2024 – (9:30) 39

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** December 29, 2024: \$9,105.00; December to date: \$73,083.65; Income through November 30, 2024: \$332,344.32; Expenses through November 30, 2024: \$361,287.27. Income less Expense: -\$28,942.95

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Due in the church office by 9am Thursdays)

## MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

**W.O.W. BIBLE STUDY** has completed the Advent Study. Beginning tomorrow, Monday, January 6th at 9 AM in the 2nd floor lounge at Our Savior's, they will return to the study of "The Tender Warrior - The Life of David" by David Jeremiah.

ALL ARE WELCOME! and Have a Blessed New Year! ~Senora Almquist, Leader



SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025 11:30 AM

Our Savior's Lutheran Church's Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 26, 2025 following the 10:30am worship service (approx. 11:30am). All Confirmed OSLC members are voting members, and are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Reminder: End of the year Annual Reports (Staff & Committees) are due this week!

**QUILTING:** We will resume quilting tomorrow, **Monday, January 6 at 9 AM**. We need new people to assist with this project, as many of the previous participants are no longer able to participate. Making kits and quilts is one of our most needed projects. LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF TELLS US HOW RECEIVING A QUILT OR KIT, WHEN IN DIRE NEED, IS A REMINDER TO THE RECIPIENT THAT SOMEONE IS THINKING OF THEM. That is a very important part of the program. If you are available on any part of Mondays, January through March 9AM-4PM, consider joining in. Come for any part of the day, bring lunch or go out for lunch. Bring snacks to share, if you wish. Anyone can do the jobs and enjoy the visiting that occurs. We hope to see you there.

**THANK YOU NOTE:** The Community Christmas Concert "He Was Born For You" was a wonderful evening of musical praise and worship! Thank you to all who came out and joined us and celebrated the evening with us! I would like to thank all who have supported and prayed for the Senior Choir and GosBELLS these past nine years. I am honored to have been given the chance to direct the Choir and Bell Choir! It has been a wonderful experience that I will always treasure. ~Linda Hawn

**USHERS:** We are working on the 2025 Usher Schedule. Please call the church office if you would like to help usher at the 8:30am, 10:30am, or 9:30am Summer worship services this year – 636-5701.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

#### Sunday, January 5

Communion Sunday 8:30am Traditional Worship 9:30am Coffee/Fellowship 9:30am Sunday school 10:30am Contemporary Worship 11:30am **Council Meeting** 7:00pm AA Meeting

#### Monday, January 6

9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study 9:00am Quilting

#### Tuesday, January 7

7:00am Text Bible Study (Hillsboro Café)

#### Wednesday, January 8

7:00am Men's Bible Study (Hillsboro Café)
5:30pm Meal
6:00pm Confirmation (7-9 gr)
7:30pm Youth Group (9-12 gr)

Thursday, January 9 10:45am Worship service at HMC

#### Sunday, January 12

Communion Sunday 8:30am Traditional Worship 9:30am Coffee/Fellowship 9:30am Sunday school 10:30am Contemporary Worship 7:00pm AA Meeting

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