

# OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, February 2, 2025**  
**Fourth Sunday of Epiphany**  
**8:30 AM**

**PRELUDE**

**Organist: Vicky Grothmann**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN:** "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

**ELW 697**

***Refrain:** Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea;  
daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

*1) I am weak but thou art strong: Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied  
as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. (Refrain)*

*2) Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me  
my burden shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. (Refrain)*

*3) When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more; guide me gently,  
safely o'er to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore. (Refrain)*

**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: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

**ELW 733**

*1) Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.*

***Refrain:** Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided; great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

*2) Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)*

*3) Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)*

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

L: Lord of the Sabbath,

**C: Your followers were told not to work on the Sabbath, and yet they boldly plucked grain to show that you are Lord of all. The world tells us not to rest on the Sabbath. Show us how to rest boldly, rejecting conventions that go against your will, and instead praying and resting as you did up on the mountain, for the glory of your word and work, Lord Jesus Christ. 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 6:1-16**

One Sabbath while Jesus was going through some grain fields, his disciples plucked some heads of grain, rubbed them in their hands, and ate them. <sup>2</sup> But some of the Pharisees said, "Why are you doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, "Have you not read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? <sup>4</sup> How he entered the house of God and took and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and gave some to his companions?" <sup>5</sup> Then he said to them, "The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath."

<sup>6</sup> On another Sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught, and there was a man there whose right hand was withered. <sup>7</sup> The scribes and the Pharisees were watching him to see whether he would cure on the Sabbath, so that they might find grounds to bring an accusation against him. <sup>8</sup> But he knew what they were thinking, and he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come and stand in the middle." He got up and stood there. <sup>9</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to save life or to destroy it?" <sup>10</sup> After looking around at all of them, he said to him, "Stretch out your hand." He did so, and his hand was restored. <sup>11</sup> But they were filled with fury and began discussing with one another what they might do to Jesus.

<sup>12</sup> Now during those days he went out to the mountain to pray, and he spent the night in prayer to God. <sup>13</sup> And when day came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles: <sup>14</sup> Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, and James, and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, <sup>15</sup> and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Simon, who was called the Zealot, <sup>16</sup> and Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

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

## MESSAGE

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

**TOSB 198**

*1) Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care  
And bids me at my Father's throne, make all my wants and wishes known  
In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare, by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.*

2) *Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my petition bear,  
to Him whose truth and faithfulness, engage the waiting soul to bless;  
And since He bids me seek His face, believe His word and trust His grace,  
I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.*

3) *Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, may I thy consolation share,  
till from Mount Pisgah's lofty height, I view my home and take my flight:  
This robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise to seize the everlasting prize;  
and shout while passing through the air, farewell, farewell, sweet hour of prayer!*

## **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**

ELW 752

*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.

(Repeat Prayer Song)

## **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

### 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:** "On Our Way Rejoicing"

**ELW 537**

*1) On our way rejoicing gladly let us go. Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe. Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy; who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy? On our way rejoicing; as we forward move, hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!*

*2) Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing; unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring; unto God the Spirit bow we and adore, on our way rejoicing now and evermore. On our way rejoicing; as we forward move, hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!*

### 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 today: Bud Skogen, Clarice Satrom, Llewellyn Rauser, Mataya Arends, Claire Tarvestad

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

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

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**EDUCATION PASTOR:** Pastor Amanda Johnson, 218.556.8895

**VISITATION MINISTER:** Joy McSparron, 701.361.9990

**HEAD USHERS:** (8:30) Peter Lovas (10:30) Scott and Carissa Olsen

**ACOLYTES:** (8:30) Ava Hjelmstad, Bridger Longthorne  
(10:30) Cayden Olson, Mason Ouellette

**ATTENDANCE:** January 26, 2025 – (8:30) 58 and (10:30) 75

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT:** January 26, 2025: \$2,578.09; January to date: \$14,627.07;  
Income through December 31, 2024: \$418,094.00; Expenses through December 31, 2024:  
\$418,094.00. Income less Expense: 0

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

### **MONDAY QUILTING GROUP**

Monday Quilting has resumed at Our Savior's and YOU are invited to come and check it out! Making Quilts and LWR Kits are some of our most needed and worthwhile projects. If you are available on any part of Mondays, January through March, from 9AM-4PM, consider joining in the fellowship! No experience necessary. Bring a friend. We hope to see you there!

### **TEEN TALK** for 6<sup>th</sup> grade students!

- A four-week class - Wednesdays, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5:00pm at OSLC.
- All 6<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to attend! We will explore important subjects, discuss how faith can help them navigate these subjects, and, hopefully, create an open channel of communication as they transition from elementary school to middle school.
- Questions? Contact Pastor Amanda at 218.556.8895

**W.O.W. (Women of the Word) BIBLE STUDY** will complete "The Tender Warrior - The Life of David" Study on Monday, February 10th.

Beginning on Monday, February 17 they will embark on a new study entitled "JESUS: The God Who Knows Your Name" by Max Lucado. This study has 6 sessions, has a DVD, and you will need to purchase a \$5 study guide, which will be available that Monday.

W.O.W. meets on Mondays at 9 AM in the 2nd floor lounge at Our Savior's.  
ALL ARE WELCOME! ~Senora Almquist, Leader

### **BIO Girls! is coming to Hillsboro!**

BIO Girls is on a mission to improve the self-esteem in adolescent girls grades 2-6 through empowerment of self and service to others. BIO Girls will meet **Tuesdays from March 4th - May 20th** at the community center in Hillsboro from 6-7:30pm. Register by texting Dera @ 701.793.5183 and she will send you the link.

**HILLSBORO KIWANIS FOOD PANTRY:** Place your items in the wood crate located inside and to the west of the front door of the church. **ITEMS NEEDED INCLUDE:** Chicken Noodle Soup, Tomato Soup, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cooking Oil and Spray, Stuffing, Cake and Cookie Mixes, Coffee, Mac & Cheese, Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Paper Products: bath tissue, paper towels, Kleenex

The Hillsboro Kiwanis Food Pantry is located at the Hillsboro Armory. Open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month from 4-6 pm. THANK YOU for your generous donations for those in need. If you have any questions please contact Rich G. at 701-436-5777 or Dan C. at 701-430-1595.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

### **Sunday, February 2**

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

### **Monday, February 3**

9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study  
9am-4pm Quilting

### **Tuesday, February 4**

7:00am Text Bible Study  
at Hillsboro Café

### **Wednesday, February 5**

7:00am Men's Bible Study  
at Hillsboro Café  
3:30pm Teen Talk – 6<sup>th</sup> gr.  
5:30pm Meal  
6:00pm Confirmation (7-9 gr)  
7:30pm Youth Group (9-12 gr)

### **Thursday, February 6**

9:30am WELCA Exec. meet  
10:00am WELCA Meeting  
10:45am Worship service at HMC  
2:00pm Kiwanis Bldgs  
communion

### **Sunday, February 9**

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

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