

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Epiphany

10:30 AM

PRELUDE

Joyful Noise

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: "Hold Us Together"

*It don't have a job, It don't pay your bills, Won't buy you a home in Beverly Hills
Won't fix your life, In five easy steps, Ain't the law of the land or the government
But it's all you need.*

***Chorus:** Love will hold us together, Make us a shelter to weather the storm,
And I'll be my brother's keeper, So the whole world will know that we're not alone*

*It's waiting for you, Knocking at your door, In the moment of truth, When your heart hits
the floor, And you're on your knees (Chorus)*

*(Bridge) This is the first day of the rest of your life, This is the first day of the rest of your
life, 'Cause even in the dark you can still see the light, It's gonna be alright*

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.

SONG OF PRAISE: "My Lighthouse"

*In my wrestling and in my doubts, In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through, You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea*

*In the silence You won't let go, In the questions Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through, You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea*

Chorus: *My lighthouse, my lighthouse, Shining in the darkness I will follow You
My lighthouse, my lighthouse, I will trust the promise You will carry me
Safe to shore (oh-oh-oh-oh-oh), safe to shore (oh-oh-oh-oh-oh),
Safe to shore (oh-oh-oh-oh-oh), safe to shore*

*I won't fear what tomorrow brings, With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through, You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea (Chorus)*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of mystery,

C: Just as the crowds wondered about Jesus, we too, wonder about you. Who are you to us? Are you the one? Show us that you are God, mysterious, wonderful, mighty. Amen.

PSALM: Psalm 146:5-10

⁵Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,
⁶who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;
⁷who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; ⁸the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who

are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. ⁹ The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. ¹⁰ The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

L: The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG for the WORD: "Sanctuary"

*Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

GOSPEL READING: Luke 7:18-35

¹⁸ The disciples of John reported all these things to him. So John summoned two of his disciples ¹⁹ and sent them to the Lord to ask, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to expect someone else?" ²⁰ When the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you to ask, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to expect someone else?'" ²¹ Jesus had just then cured many people of diseases, afflictions, and evil spirits and had given sight to many who were blind. ²² And he answered them, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight; the lame walk; those with a skin disease are cleansed; the deaf hear; the dead are raised; the poor have good news brought to them. ²³ And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me."

²⁴ When John's messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ²⁵ What, then, did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who put on fine clothing and live in luxury are in royal palaces. ²⁶ What, then, did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷ This is the one about whom it is written,

See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way before you.'

²⁸ "I tell you, among those born of women no one is greater than John, yet the least in the kingdom of God is greater than he." ²⁹ (And all the people who heard this, including the tax collectors, acknowledged the justice of God, having been baptized with John's baptism. ³⁰ But the Pharisees and the experts in the law, not having been baptized by him, rejected God's purpose for themselves.)

³¹ "To what, then, will I compare the people of this generation, and what are they like? ³² They are like children sitting in the marketplace and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not weep.'

³³ "For John the Baptist has come eating no bread and drinking no wine, and you say, 'He has a demon'; ³⁴ the Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!'" ³⁵ Nevertheless, wisdom is vindicated by all her children."

L: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: "Impossible"

You walked on water, Calmed the sea, You fed five thousand easily, You made a blind man see; Impossible. You turned water into wine, You heal the deaf and heal the blind, You gave your life for mine; Impossible.

Truly God and Truly Man, Truly died and rose again, You're truly the all-powerful right hand of God, You took my death so I can live, You take my sin and You forgive, I believe, unbelievable things you do, Lord, nothing is impossible with you.

You calmed the storm and cleared my head, You brought back Lazarus from the dead, Four thousand more were fed; Impossible. You trade your peace for my fears, You trade your comfort for my tears, Two or three are gathered here; Impossible.

Truly God and Truly Man, Truly died and rose again, You're truly the all-powerful right hand of God, You took my death so I can live, You take my sin and You forgive, I believe, unbelievable things you do, I believe, I believe, I believe, unbelievable things you do, Lord, nothing is impossible with you.

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: "Take Me Jesus As I Am"

*Take me Jesus as I am, for I can come no other way, Draw me closer unto you,
teach me how to walk your ways, Make me like a precious stone, crystal clear and finely
honed, The light of Jesus shining through, giving glory back to you*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

(Repeat Prayer Song)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "How Great Thou Art"

ELW 856 V. 1

*O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!*

OFFERING PRAYER

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.**

SENDING SONG: "Blessed Be Your Name"

*Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful, Where Your streams of abundance
flow, Blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, Blessed be Your name.*

Chorus: *Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise, When the darkness closes
in Lord still I will say, Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name, Blessed
be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name*

*Blessed be Your name, when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's all as it
should be, Blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name, on the road marked with
suffering, Though there's pain in the offering, Blessed be Your name. (Chorus)*

You give and take away, You give and take away.

My heart will choose to say, Lord blessed be Your name. (Repeat)

*Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name, Blessed be the name of the
Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name*

BLESSING / THREE BELLS

DISMISSAL / POSTLUDE

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Helping people experience the Love of God.**

O Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Praise & Thanksgiving to God for...

The people of Our Savior's.

Those celebrating birthdays today: Darlene Moen, Riley Olsen, Madison Olsen, Keira Kozojed, Lilah Sandberg, Cole Hebl

God's Healing Presence for...

Jerry Boeddeker	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)
Jim Olsen	Scott Berry (Benjamin Strand's uncle)
Carol Christianson	Jon Pawlikowski (Veronika Lee'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	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
Liz Hanson	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Karen Paulson	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Susie Anderson	Dr. Rich Martin (Cheri and family)
Charlie Anderson	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)

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) Eric & Dera Johnson family

LECTOR: (8:30) Rita Fandrich

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Caleb Ambuehl, Brayden Buccholz
(10:30) Brock Ferguson, Jacob Giffey

ATTENDANCE: February 9, 2025 – (8:30) 30 and (10:30) 68

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: February 9, 2025: \$2,260.89; February to date: \$7,392.89;
Income through January 31, 2025: \$31,903.31; Expenses through January 31, 2025:
\$34,954.28. Income less Expense: -\$3,050.97

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!

W.O.W. (Women of the Word) BIBLE STUDY- NEW STUDY BEGINS MONDAY!

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

HALSTAD TURKEY BINGO - Sunday, February 16 - at the LRC (S. Halstad)

Free-will Lunch at 12pm. Bingo at 1pm (\$5 unlimited games (3 cards/person))
Presented by the Halstad Lions Club to benefit future projects

HALSTAD LUTHERAN CHURCH COMMUNITY DINNER and BAKE SALE

Wednesday, February 19th from 5-7pm. Baked Potato Bar with Chili and all the fixin's, and Pie for dessert. Free will offering to benefit the Veterans Honor Flight of ND/MN.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, February 16

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

Monday, February 17

9:00am W.O.W. Bible Study
9am-4pm Quilting
Steeple Talk March news due!

Tuesday, February 18

7:00am Text Bible Study
- at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, February 19

7:00am Men's Bible Study
- at Hillsboro Café
3:30pm Teen Talk – 6th gr.
NO Meal/Confirmation

Thursday, February 20

10:45am Worship service at HMC

Sunday, February 23

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

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