

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, January 25, 2026

Third Sunday of Epiphany

10:30 AM

PRELUDE

THE FIRE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: "Just Be Held"

Hold it all together, everybody needs you strong, But life hits you out of nowhere and barely leaves you holding on. And when you're tired of fighting, chained by your control, There's freedom in surrender, lay it down and let it go

Chorus: *So when you're on your knees and answers seem so far away, You're not alone, stop holding on and just be held. Your world's not falling apart, it's falling into place, I'm on the throne, stop holding on and just be held, Just be held, just be held*

If your eyes are on the storm, you'll wonder if I love you still, But if your eyes are on the cross, you'll know I always have and I always will, And not a tear is wasted, in time you'll understand, I'm painting beauty with the ashes, your life is in My hands (Chorus)

Lift your hands, lift your eyes, in the storm is where you'll find Me, And where you are, I'll hold your heart, I'll hold your heart, Come to Me, find your rest, in the arms of the God who won't let go (Chorus)

Just be held, just be held

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: "Glorious Day"

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises, One day when sin was as black as could be, Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin, Dwelt among men. My example is He. The Word became flesh and the light shined among us, His glory revealed.

Chorus: *Living, He loved me. Dying, He saved me. Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising, He justified freely forever. One day He's coming; oh, glorious day, oh, glorious day.*

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain. One day they nailed Him to die on a tree. Suffering anguish, despised and rejected, Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He. The hands that healed nations stretched out on a tree and took the nails for me. (Chorus)

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer. One day the stone rolled away from the door. Then He arose; over death He had conquered. Now He's ascended, my Lord evermore. Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him from rising again. (Chorus 2X) Glorious day, oh, glorious day.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: God of all,

C: You gave us new life when we were born of water and Spirit. Help us live into that new life, refreshed and renewed for your work. Amen.

PSALM: Psalm 139:13-18

¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

- ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.
- ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.
- ¹⁶ Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written
all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.
- ¹⁷ How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!
- ¹⁸ I try to count them—they are more than the sand;
I come to the end—I am still with you.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG for the WORD: "Word of God Speak"

Word of God, speak. Would You pour down like rain, Washing my eyes to see, Your majesty, To be still and know, That You're in this place? Please let me stay and rest, In Your holiness, Word of God, speak.

GOSPEL READING: John 3:1-21 "Nicodemus"

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." ³ Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

¹¹ "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶ "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷ "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸ Those who believe in him are not condemned, but those who do not believe are condemned already because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

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¹⁹ And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹ But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

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

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY: “Walk by Faith”

Would I believe You when You say Your hand will guide my every way?

Will I receive the words You say ev’ry moment of ev’ry day?

Chorus: *Well, I will walk by faith, even when I cannot see. Because this broken road prepares Your will for me.*

Help me to rid my endless fears; You’ve been so faithful for all my years.

With the one breath You make me new; Your grace covers all I do. (Chorus)

I’m broken, but I still see Your face. You’ve spoken, pouring Your words of grace.

(Chorus 2X) Hallelujah, hallelu. Hallelujah, hallelu. Hallelujah, hallelu. Hallelujah, hallelu.

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: “In Jesus’ Name”

I speak the name of Jesus over you. In your hurting, in your sorrow I will ask my God to move. I speak the name ‘cause it’s all that I can do. In desperation, I’ll seek heaven, and pray this for you. I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus’ name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus’ name, in Jesus’ name.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

PRAYER SONG: "In Jesus' Name" continued

I speak the name of all authority, Declaring blessings, ev'ry promise He is faithful to keep. I speak the name no grave could ever hold. He is greater, He is stronger, He's the God of possible.

Refrain: *I pray for your healing, that circumstances would change. I pray that the fear inside would flee in Jesus' name. I pray that a breakthrough would happen today. I pray miracles over your life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.*

Come believe it, come receive it. Oh, the power of His Spirit is now forever yours. Come believe it, come receive it. In the mighty name of Jesus, all things are possible. (Refrain) I pray for revival, for restoration of faith. I pray that the dead will come to life in Jesus' name, in Jesus' name.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

"Chainbreaker" by THE FIRE

OFFERTORY: "Multiplied" Chorus

God of mercy, sweet love of mine, I have surrendered to Your design. May this offering stretch across the skies, and these hallelujahs be multiplied.

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: "Help Me Find It"

I don't know where to go from here, It all used to seem so clear, I'm finding I can't do this on my own. I don't know where to go from here, As long as I know that You are near, I'm done fighting, I'm finally letting go. I will trust in You. You've never failed before. I will trust in You.

Chorus: *If there's a road I should walk, help me find it, If I need to be still, give me peace for the moment, Whatever Your will, whatever Your will, Can you help me find it? Can you help me find it?*

I'm giving You fear and You give faith, I'm giving you doubt, You give me grace, For every step I've never been alone. Even when it hurts, You'll have Your way, Even in the valley I will say, With every breath, You've never let me go. I will wait for You. You've never failed before. I will wait for You (Chorus)

I lift my empty hands, Have Your way my King, I lift my eyes again, 'Cause You are all I need (Chorus) Can you help me find it?

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: Dawn Paulsrud, Lane Nelson

God's Healing Presence for...

Bryan Mueller	Lindsey Gilbertson (Kathy Duval's brother)
Bonnie Spicer	Dennis Taus (Phyllis Leraas' brother-in-law)
Jeanie Swenson	Connie Fillion (Phyllis Leraas' sister)
Mya Oelrich	Asher Madsen (Vicki Madsen's great grandson)
Dan Bjorklund	Tim Klocke (Mike Tweten's friend)
Clarice Satrom	Robert Thompson (Isaac, Ava, Mia's grandpa)
Vicki Dahlstrom	Dennis Sollid (Anne Kittelson's dad)
Jerry Boeddeker	Steve Rinke (Stacy Dickhoff's step-dad)
Becky Foss	Todd Donner (Tanya Buethner's brother)
Deb Kritzberger	Elaina Mueller (Bonnie Mueller's granddaughter)
Carol Christianson	Barry Sailor (Tara Fandrich's uncle)
Kenna Kappes	Hunter Gordon (Eunice Morlock's grandson-in-law)
Peggy Gilbertson	Marta Datsik (McSparron's Exchange Student-Ukraine)
Susie Anderson	
Charlie Anderson	

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: *The family of Cynthia Klemetson*

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

ACOLYTES: (8:30) Mason Stauss, Eli Thompson (10:30) Andrew Axness, Bergen Beach

ATTENDANCE: January 18, 2025 – 40 (8:30); 72 (10:30)

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: January 18, 2025: \$3,955.00; Jan. to date: \$15,455.00.

Income through Dec. 31, 2025: \$426,071.26; Expenses through Dec. 31, 2025: \$425,663.29

Income less Expense: \$407.97

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

TODAY! ANNUAL MEETING—SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026



Our Savior's Lutheran Church's Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 25, 2026 following the 10:30am worship service (approx. 11:30am). All Confirmed OSLC members are voting members and are encouraged to attend this meeting.

QUILTING: Monday quilting has begun! We are always looking for new people to assist with this project. 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.* If you are available on any part of **Mondays, January through March, 9am-4pm**, consider coming and joining in the fun! Come for all or any part of the day, bring a sack lunch or go out for lunch, bring snacks to share if you wish. No experience necessary. We hope to see you there!

HILLSBORO KIWANIS FOOD PANTRY at the Hillsboro Armory, open the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month from 4-6pm.

Donated Items Needed Include: Ramen Noodles, Stove-top stuffing, Hamburger Helper, Beef Stew, Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Canned Chicken, Canned Green Beans, Peaches & Pineapple Chunks, Pork/Baked Beans, Cereal, Cookies, Cake Mixes Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Hand Soap, Body Wash, Deodorant, Shampoo/Conditioner, Feminine Hygiene Products, Cleaning Supplies

Place your items in the wood crate located inside and to the west of the front door of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Rich G. at 701-436-5777 or Dan C. at 701-430-1595.

W.O.W. (Women of the Word) MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

W.O.W. Bible Study meets on Mondays at 9 AM in the Our Savior's Church's 2nd floor lounge. They will resume studying "The Coming Golden Age" by David Jeremiah – Watch for updates to be announced.

We will discover more of what God has ahead for us, and to anticipate tomorrow with enthusiasm. The glorious future awaits! ~Senora Almquist, Leader

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Sunday, January 25

8:30am Worship Service
9:30am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Contemporary Service
11:30am OSLC Annual Meeting
7:00pm AA Meeting

Monday, January 26

Meal Delivery Week
9am-4pm Quilting
6:30pm Choir practice
7:30pm Bell Choir practice

Tuesday, January 27

7:00am Text Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café

Wednesday, January 28

7:00am Men's Bible Study
at Hillsboro Café
5:30pm Meal
6:00pm Confirmation
7:30pm Youth Group

Thursday, January 29

10:45am Worship at HMC

Sunday, February 1

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



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