

# SHARING THE GOSPEL

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

February 7, 2021

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## RINGING OF THE BELL

## INVOCATION

*In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*  
**Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.* **Amen.**

*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.*  
**Amen.**

*Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.*

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive 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.**

*In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### **HYMN            *What a Friend We Have in Jesus***

**What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear--  
all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!**

**Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged--take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge--take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.**

### **GREETING**

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

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Everlasting God,*  
**you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

**1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

<sup>16</sup>If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for

boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup>For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

*The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

## SCRIPTURE READING

**Mark 1:29-39**

<sup>29</sup>As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup>He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup>And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup>In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup>When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." <sup>38</sup>He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

*The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

**SERMON        “Sharing the Gospel”**

**APOSTLES CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**He will come again 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**

**OFFERING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*We pray to you, ... God:* **We await your steadfast love.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who are 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.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever  
and ever. Amen.**

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER**

## BENEDICTION

### SENDING HYMN *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?  
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, we are trav'lers on the road;  
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with  
you.

I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey  
through.

## DISMISSAL

*Go in peace. Share the Good News.*

**Okay, we will. Thanks be to God!**

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UP NEXT

### **Today, Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30am** Worship with Communion @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

[www.facebook.com/OSLHermosa](http://www.facebook.com/OSLHermosa)      [www.youtube.com/TheOSLHermosa](http://www.youtube.com/TheOSLHermosa)

**10:30am** Property and Worship Committees meet @ OSL and on Zoom

**6:30-8pm** HS Youth Group

### **Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30am** WELCA- meet in person and on Zoom

*Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825      Password: OSLHermosa*

**7:00pm** Devotion/Conversation/Prayer via Zoom with Chelle

*Zoom Meeting ID: 886-0644-8843      Password: 372054*

### **Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30am** Worship with Communion @ OSL and live on Facebook and YouTube

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**10:30am** Mission Committee meets

**6:30-8pm** HS Youth Group



## We Lift in Prayer...

- \*\*Those who are grieving losses of any sort.
- \*\*Those recovering from COVID-19, surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including Glen; Aaron Neugebauer (grandson of Duane and Margie); Bruce Sunding, Michael (cousin of Donna Zuerlein); Randy, Marie & Family (Cousin of Peg Tesch); Brenda Kummer; Bernadean (mother of Alan Johnson); Kara and Chad (friends of Kendra Malacek); Marlene (Aunt of Jason Virtue)
- \*\*Those with on-going health concerns, including Ruth Sichterman (mother of Dan Mintzlaff); Dennis Wilkersen; Kitty Aman; Larry Mills; Randy (Shotgun) Schumack; Peg Tesch; Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Pepper (nephew of Mike and Dianna Baschnagel)
- \*\*For those in long-term care facilities
- \*\*For our firefighters, our first responders and our frontline & healthcare workers.
- \*\*For our leaders at every level.
- \*\*For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far.



## Committees & Teams at OSL

*It takes the whole congregation using their gifts and skills to accomplish the ministry that we have been called to do.*

God called some of you to be leaders of the congregation! Thank you to everyone who has served on Committees and/or Teams at OSL. Would you like to continue serving in this way? Have you thought about using your gifts through being on a Committee and/or a Team at OSL? We would love to have you!

If you are interested in being on the Mission Committee, Education Committee, Property Committee, Outreach Committee, Worship Committee or Prayer Shawl Team, please talk to Pastor Deb or any Church Council Member or just show up at a meeting. We need many hands to lighten the load.



# DOG Night

Visit our website every Wednesday for new videos for age groups from toddlers to 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Each week will visit a new lesson!

[www.oslhermosa.com](http://www.oslhermosa.com)



2021 BLACK HILLS COUPON BOOKS ARE HERE!!!

\$20.00

Coupon books can be purchased from Pastor Deb, Josie in the church office or a Youth Group member or future Bible Camper. Call, text or email Pastor Deb at 605-890-0781 or [pastordeb@oslhermosa.com](mailto:pastordeb@oslhermosa.com)



Three of the Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota Bible camps are welcoming back campers this summer. Safety protocols will be in place following the guidelines of the American Camp Association! Pastor Deb is so excited to head camp this summer! Who wants to go with her? If you are interested or have questions, please talk to Pastor Deb or Josie.



Dan lost his home on Gumbo Lily Lane as well as all possession in the home because of a fire on November 18, 2020. He continues to live on the property in a camper with plans to begin rebuilding soon. Donations this month will help Dan with rebuilding expenses.

Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Globe Offering during worship or given electronically. There is a place to check Mission of the Month if you use Tith-ly. Thank you for your generosity.

## Come and See and Be a Part of Our Lenten Journey

As we continue our journey of faith from the stable to the cross, we are continually reminded that we are called to come and see what being a disciple of Jesus is all about and we are called to invite others to come and see as well. During this season of Lent, you are invited to be a part of two worship series- *Restoring Relationships* on Sunday mornings and *Created for Community* on Wednesday evenings. The journey continues through Easter morning. May these series be tools that inspire you and others to come and see.

### Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021

OSL will be open for prayer and reflection from 7 am to Noon. Pastor Deb will be available for Imposition of Ashes in the parking lot or in the building.

6:30 pm – Ash Wednesday service in the building and live stream on Facebook and YouTube. Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion will be a part of the service.



#### Sunday Mornings

9:30am

In person and Live on  
Facebook/YouTube

\*Holy Communion on Feb 7th and 21st

*Lent is a time for self-examination, repentance, and confession. It's also a time to take stock of our relationships, both with God and with others. As we walk together toward the cross, we'll discover ways to restore our relationships through justice, faithfulness, trust, limits, love and forgiveness.*



#### Wednesday Nights

6:30pm Feb. 24th,

March 3, 10, 17, 24

In person and Live on  
Facebook/YouTube

*Lent is also a time for deepening of community. During this pandemic time, our hearts have yearned for a deeper community that extends beyond the walls of the church and into our homes and hearts. Using readings from Mark's gospel, this Lenten worship series invites the assembly to reflect on what it means to be in community with one another, with the world, with creation, and with God.*

**Open to everyone in the community. Masks will be worn in the building.**

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