



POUR ON THE
SALT & LIGHT
MATTHEW 5:13-14

5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

INVOCATION

We gather for worship in the name of the Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

God, Whose Almighty Word

#673

**God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard
and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

**Christ, who once came to bring, on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight; health to the troubled mind,
sight where illusions blind; oh, now to humankind
let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove,
speed forth your flight; move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.**

**Holy and blessed three, glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might: boundless as ocean's tide,
rolling in fullest pride, through the earth, far and wide,
let there be light.**

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

Lord God,

with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 58:1-12

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 112:1-10

Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:13-20

[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HYMN

This Little Light of Mine

#677

**This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

**Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

**Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

SERMON

HYMN

Christ, Be Our Light

#715

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has pow'r to save us.

Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

Longing for food, many are hungry.

Longing for water, many still thirst.

Make us your bread, broken for others,

shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

Make us your building, sheltering others,

walls made of living stone. *Refrain*

Many the gifts, many the people,

many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another,

signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, Maker of all things.

As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now
gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to
those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our
Savior. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

HYMN

Lamb of God

#195

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace. *(Repeat)*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

#574

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.

The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.

Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

**With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living,
the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face—
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God's children, the whole human race.
With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God!

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Please Pray For...

****Those who are grieving losses of any sort, including the friends and family of Mike (Brother of Cindy, one of our online worshippers)**

****Those recovering from surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized including LeAnn Maude; Denny Tesch; John Sunding; Josie Weekley; Elizabeth Mertz; Randy Eley (son of Peg Tesch); Ruth Henriksen (Mother of Rebecca Kaiser); Sarah Fischer; John Sunding; Ken (Brother of Cathy Dahl); Rose Bintliff and Kirt Burt (Friends of the Kaisers); Keith Buchholz (Brother-in-law of Judy Stanley); LeAnn (Friend of Mikkey T.); Seth and Brenda (Friends of the Baschnagels); Abbot (Great-Grandson of Lane); Dorothy Wall (Friend of Toni Ramsey)**

****Those with on-going concerns, including Chuck Baschnagel (Father of Mike); David Vining; Bob and Peg Tesch; Glynce (Cousin of Carla Oerter); Reece Ullerich (Friend of Linda Boll); Gary McKean (Nephew of Lane Pine); Marie Kennedy; Iris Brimer; Clay Walberg; Rod Dikoff (Cousin of Roger); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik; Barbara (Aunt of Carmen Lakner); David Henriksen (Brother of Rebecca Kaiser)**

****For our military members and their families**

****For our leaders at all levels**

****For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far**

****For those who are homeless and those whose homes do not provide warmth and safety**



Sunday, February 5th

9:30am Worship and Communion both in the building and live online (Facebook and YouTube)

5:00 Sunday Night Live

Monday, February 6th

9:30-10:30am Bible Study with Pastor Deb- @ OSL and on Zoom
Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa

Wednesday, February 8th

5:30-6:30pm Bible Study with Pastor Deb- @ OSL and on Zoom
Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa

Thursday, February 9th

10:00am Book Study Opportunity - *Life Together*

Join Pastor Deb in her office, or one Zoom

Zoom Meeting ID: 518 251 3825 Password: OSLHermosa

Sunday, February 12th

9:30am Worship and Communion both in the building and live online (Facebook and YouTube)

10:45 Choir Practice

10:45 New Member Gathering

5:00 Sunday Night Live

No Sunday Night Live

Soup-er Bowl Challenge

The challenge is on at OSL! Who do you think will win the Super Bowl? The Eagles or the Chiefs? Vote for your team by putting money in the soup pot or adding Cup Noodles to the pile. Drop off items at the church during the week or bring them to worship on Sunday morning or evening. Voting will commence following offering during worship on Feb 12. The winner will be announced at the end of worship. The true winner though will be our Mission of the Month, Wambli Ska/Woyatan Mobile Warming Station which will receive all proceeds from this challenge. (In case you are wondering, the warming station can only use soup cups to which hot water is added. Pastor Deb found some at the Dollar General but she knows they can be found elsewhere in Rapid as well.)



Bible Camp Registration Is Now Open!!!

Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota (LOSD) is dedicated to quality faith experiences and hospitality for all, and has been for more than 65 years. Christian camping allows each person to explore and experience Christ's love in community and creation. Campers live and play in a nurturing environment, which in turn leads them to build a stronger faith foundation, discover personal gifts and develop new skills, as well as connecting with others and building life-long relationships.

Some other things campers will learn during a Bible Camp experience...

Controlled Independence: Kids learn responsibility and independence by keeping their bunks tidy, keeping their clothes together, and being ready on time...all under the supervision of adult leaders.

Positive Role models: From the rec staff to the leadership staff to fellow campers, kids are surrounded by godly role models who encouraged them in their relationship with God.

They will encounter God: A Bible-believing camp is the perfect opportunity for your kids to step into their own relationship with God. For a few days they are not distracted by home life, sibling squabbles, or pressure from school. It's just them and God.

And...IT'S FUN!

Do you have questions, or would like to get registered? Contact Josie in the church office (605-255-4662) or Pastor Deb (605-890-0781)

*****There are scholarships and funds available to help with the cost of camp if needed. For all the information about each camp, visit www.losd.com***

Please see the summer schedule. Camps Pastor Deb will be attending are marked.



SUMMER 2023

WONDER

LUTHERANS OUTDOORS IN SOUTH DAKOTA



WEEKLY CAMP CALENDAR



OUTLAW RANCH



NESODAK



KLEIN RANCH

WEEK 1

JUNE 11-16

HOSTED CAMP
STAFF-IN-TRAINING (9-12th)

CONFIRMATION 1
STAFF-IN-TRAINING (9-12th)

JUNE 4-9
STAFF/WRANGLER-IN-TRAINING (9-12th)

YOUTH CAMP (6-9th)

WEEK 2

JUNE 18-23

YOUT CAMP (3-8th)
PRIDE CAMP (9-12th)

CAMP GILBERT

YOUTH CAMP
(6-9th)

WEEK 3

JUNE 25-30

FAMILY CAMP
ADVENTURES (7-12th)

CONFIRMATION 2
SIT (10-12th)

YOUTH CAMP
(6-9th)

WEEK 4

JULY 2-7

FAMILY CAMP
ADVENTURES (7-12th)
SERVANT CAMP (8-12th)

1-2-3 CAMP (1-3rd)*
EXPLORERS (3-6th)*
*JULY 5-7

CLOSED

WEEK 5

JULY 9-14

FAMILY CAMP
ADVANTURES (7-12th)
SERVANT CAMP (8-12th)

VENTURE CAMP (7-12th)
FISHING CAMP (6-9th)

YOUTH CAMP
(6-9th)

WEEK 6

JULY 16-21

FAMILY CAMP
ADVENTURES (7-12th)
SERVANT CAMP (8-12th)

YOUTH CAMP
(3-8th)

YOUTH CAMP
(6-9th)

WEEK 7

JULY 23-28

YOUTH CAMP (3-8th)
ADVENTURES (7-12th)
SERVANT CAMP (8-12th)

VENTURE CAMP (7-12th)
FISHING CAMP (3-5th)

YOUTH CAMP
(6-9th)

WEEK 8

JULY 30-AUG. 4

FAMILY CAMP
ADVENTURES (7-12th)
SERVANT CAMP (8-12th)

YOUTH CAMP (3-6th)

REGISTER

WEEK 9

AUGUST 6-11

1-2-3 CAMP (1-3rd)
AUG. 6-8
EXPLORERS (3-6th)
AUG. 9-11

AT
LOSD.ORG

Pastor Deb attending

Transportation can be arranged

MISSION OF THE MONTH

WAMBLI SKAWOYATAN'S MOBILE WARMING STATION

This mobile warming station is the first of its kind in South Dakota. The Warming Bus is a collaboration of Woyatan Lutheran, the South Dakota Synod and Lutheran Disaster Response being Church Together. The mission of the ministry is to help serve those experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity this winter. The bus travels throughout Rapid, providing a place people can come in and sit and rest, while receiving something warm to drink and soup to eat. Your financial donations will help pay for the expenses needed to keep the bus running, such as gas and insurance, and the supplies needed to share with others. If you would like to donate items, the ministry is currently in need of hand warmers, hot chocolate packets, disposable cups for hot liquids, Cup O Soup and gas cards. These items can be brought to the church throughout the month or dropped off at Woyatan Lutheran Church.

If you would like to financially support this fund, place your contribution in the Globe offering or in the offering plate. Donations for the Mission of the Month can also be made online through Tithley. Checks can be made out to OSL with "Mission" in the memo line. Thank you for being a blessing in helping others stay warm this winter.



At some point in every Christian's life, they discover a question about their faith and what they believe. Questions like, *What really happens when we die? How could God forgive me after what I've done? How do I know what God wants me to do next?* Sometimes one feels isolated when they discover that type of question, as if they are the only ones asking it. Like maybe the question feels forbidden, out-of-bounds.

But what if faith requires us to ask questions? What if questions are an essential part of our personal faith? What if we need questions to survive and grow as a community of faith? What if dialogue with God, *relationship* with God, requires questions. When we read Scripture, we discover questions everywhere.

Join Pastor Deb this Lent on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings and or Wednesday evenings and be part of a worship series for anyone who has ever had a question about faith. Each worship will be slightly different but all will focus on questions asked in Scripture and by Christian's everywhere. Our series begins on Ash Wednesday and continues throughout Lent. All are invited to come to OSL and experience Ask!

Ash Wednesday Worship– February 22nd 6:30pm (There will not be a meal this evening)

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:30 am

Sunday Evening Worship – 6:00 pm with dinner before

Wednesday Evening Dinner Church – 6:30 pm (We will worship and eat together)



Ashes to Go

Wednesday, February 22

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Parking Lot

**Or inside building if weather is awful*

6:30 – 8:00 am



All are invited to be a part of this sharing of ashes to mark the beginning of Lent outside of the traditional Ash Wednesday service. During this brief encounter with Pastor Deb, a brief prayer will be spoken, one Scripture verse read and the imposition of ashes will be done. You can stay in your car or stand with Pastor Deb outside your vehicle. If you would like Pastor Deb to travel to your home or place of work for *Ashes to Go*, please contact her before February 22 at 605-890-0781 or pastordeb@oslhermosa.com.

This ministry is available to everyone in Hermosa or part of the larger community.