



*We invite, encourage, educate and empower  
all people to follow God and serve others."*

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5th Sunday of Epiphany

February 4, 2018

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## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **RINGING OF THE BELL**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who stretches out the heavens,  
who sends light to the nations, who gives breath to us all.*

**Amen.**

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

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

*Loving God,*

**We confess that we have turned from your way to follow our own ways. Forgive us for the times we have spoken or acted too quickly; we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us; we have hurt those we have yet to know; we have thought more about ourselves than others; we have thought less of ourselves than we ought. Turn us around, and give us a fresh start, so that we can live again as your children. Amen.**

*Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right. Even when we have messed up, God puts us together. God's love never runs out. God never tires of calling us beloved children. Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.*

**Amen.**

**HYMN**      *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”*

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**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**

**Isaiah 40:21-31**

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God”?

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary and the young will fall

exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

**WELCOME THE CHILDREN**                    *“Step By Step”*

Oh God, You are my God,

And I will ever praise You. (repeat both lines)

I will seek You in the Morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways,  
And step by step You’ll lead me, and I will follow You all of my days.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SONG**            *“Step By Step”*

**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**            *“The Power of God”*

**HYMN**    *“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”*            #843

## **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**

*Let us pray, have mercy, O God.*

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

*“We Are An Offering”*

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### **OFFERING PRAYER**

*Merciful God,*

**Receive the gifts we bring, ourselves, our time, and our  
possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body,  
shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake  
of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **THE LORD’S PRAYER**

# COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

# POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

# BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” #547

# DISMISSAL

*Go in peace. Serve the Lord.* **Thanks be to God!**

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Lutheran World Relief  
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT. LASTING PROMISE.

## Personal Care Kits

### ITEMS FOR PERSONAL CARE KITS

- 1 towel, light or medium weight, dark color, minimum 20” x 40”, maximum 27” x 52”
- 2 regular size bars of soap
- 1 Adult toothbrush
- 1 sturdy comb
- 1 nail clipper

\*Please give new items only, do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your congregation’s name, items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage. Please place items in the box provided in the narthex.

Our Savior’s WELCA is putting together personal health care kits for Lutheran World Relief. These kits are shared with people all over the world who have lost everything from a natural disaster or life-threatening violence. This month our Mission will be to team up with WELCA and DOG Night to support this project. **“Give Hope through a Bar of Soap”**

Lutheran World Relief is a nonprofit organization that helps families in the world’s poorest communities build the resilience they need to thrive.

Money donated will be used to purchase any supplies needed to complete the kits and help with postage.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS | (WHAT'S HAPPENING)

### *WELCOME to our worship service*

*If you would like to be added to our church mailing list or have other information you would like us to know, please fill out an information card located with the hymnals.*

#### **Today, February 4**

**9:30** Worship/Communion

**11:00am** Worship Committee Meeting

#### **Tuesday, February 6**

**7:00am** Men's Breakfast

#### **Wednesday, February 7**

**5:15-7pm** D.O.G. Night

#### **Saturday, February 10**

**5:30pm** Annual Valentine's Day Prime Rib Dinner @ OSL

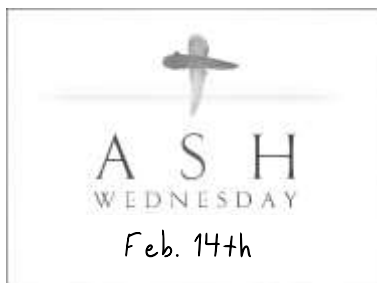
#### **Sunday, February 11**

**9:30** Worship

**8:30-11:15** Second Sunday Breakfast

**11:00** Property Committee Meeting

**11:30** Youth Group meets at OSL



Ash Wednesday Services will be held at OSL on Wednesday, February 14th.

**7:00am** Ash Wednesday Worship Service with Communion and Imposition of Ashes.

(Breakfast will follow)

**7:15pm** Ash Wednesday Worship Service with Communion and Imposition of Ashes.

**SERVE**

**SERVING TODAY:**

**Greeters/ Ushers** – Greg Neugebauer Family

**Reader** – Marie Kennedy

**Music** – Peg Tesch and Conni Virtue

**Communion Prep and Fellowship Servers**—

Marie Kennedy, Greg & Kristin Neugebauer

**Communion Assistant**—Jamie Neugebauer

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Greeters/Ushers** – The Youth Group

**Music** – Praise Team

**Reader** – Jayden Carrier

**Fellowship Server** – Second Sunday Breakfast

**Back By Popular Demand!!!**

**Annual Valentine's Day  
Prime Rib Dinner**

Saturday, February 10, 2018

5:30pm

Our Savior's Lutheran Church



Sponsored by the OSL Community Youth Group with all proceeds going towards their summer trips.

Tickets are available at Pop's Grocery, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, from OSL Community Youth Group members, or from Pastor Deb Grimmer.

\*\*Limited tickets available. Tickets need to be purchased by February 7, 2018. Tickets WILL NOT be sold at the door.

*Menu*

PRIME RIB  
BAKED POTATO  
LETTUCE SALAD  
FRUIT CUP  
ROLLS  
CALIFORNIA BLEND VEGETABLES  
CHEESECAKE

**\$30 PER PERSON**

*Ben Appetit!*

# PRAYER REQUESTS

*Praying for one another is vital to our community of faith and part of being a member of the priesthood of all believers. If you or a family member wishes to be included in this printed prayer list, please contact Josie in the church office.*

We pray for the comfort and strength for those who have recently lost loved ones, especially the friends and family of **Archie Clifford** (Tammy Dennert's father.)

We pray for the health and healing of those ill or hospitalized and their caregivers, including **Bishop Zellmer**, **Suzan Heidelberger**, **Crystal Swenson** (friend of Pastor Deb) and **Baby Darius** (son of Dakota and Blake Hunsaker.)

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: **Don Aduddell**, **Val** (Steve & Patti Pendegraft's sister-in-law), **Bernie Quaschnick**, **Rodney Shay**, **Talon Gibson** (Tenaya Gibson's son), **Kelly Edwards**, **Glenyce** (Carla's cousin), **Dennis Hempler** (Dixie Clark's brother), and **Heidi** (Hunsaker's niece.)



**Join us next Sunday  
February 11th  
8:30-11:15**

**Located at  
Our Savior's  
Lutheran Church**

**The whole community  
is invited!**

Freewill Donation will go towards sending our Community Youth Group members to camps this coming summer!

Delicious Menu:  
Breakfast pizza  
Slow cooker Oatmeal  
Sausage Patties  
Fruit  
Pastries  
Drinks