

**Third Sunday After Epiphany**  
**January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2023**  
**Our Savior's Lutheran, ELCA**

**Order of Worship**

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship:

L: In the beginning when God created

**C: A wind swept over the waters,  
A breath warmed the dark voids,  
A Spirit called forth creation.**

L: God gave in grace:

**C: Let there be light for all to see,  
Let there be water for all to splash in,  
Let there be life in the midst of death**

L: Yes, let there be life beyond death.

And God invited and invites us to respond, rejoicing!

**C: It was good,  
It was awesome and awe-filled,  
It is good.**

Song            "Dearest Jesus, at Your Word"

# 520

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| 1 Dearest Jesus, at your word<br>we have come again to hear you;<br>let our thoughts and hearts be stirred<br>and in glowing faith be near you<br>as the promises here given<br>draw us wholly up to heaven.                      | Light of light from God proceeding,<br>Jesus, send your blessed light;<br>help our hearing, speaking, heeding,<br>that our prayers and songs may please<br>you, as with grateful hearts we praise you.              |
| 2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight<br>lie in deepest darkness shrouded<br>till your Spirit breaks the night,<br>filling us with light unclouded.<br>All good thoughts and all good living<br>come but by your gracious giving. | 4 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,<br>praise to you and adoration!<br>Grant us what we need the most:<br>all your gospel's consolation<br>while we here on earth await you,<br>till in heav'n with praise we greet you. |
| 3 Radiance of God's glory bright,   |   |

## Confession and Forgiveness

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

L: Let us draw near to God in humility and confidence, confessing our sin.  
(Silent Reflection and Self-examination)

L: God of truth and light,

**C: We confess our trust and reliance on human wisdom and strength. We acknowledge the things that divide us within the church, among the nations, and in our own relationships. Pour out your great light on us. Through the power and wisdom of the cross, heal our brokenness and forgive our foolish ways, that your light may shine through us and we may give glory to you.**

**Amen**

L: The boundless riches of Christ are the gift of God's grace to all people. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I 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.

**C: Amen**

Song of Calling "Here I Am, Lord"

# 574

1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,

They turn away.

I have heard my people cry.

I will break their hearts of stone,

All who dwell in dark and sin

give them hearts for love alone.

my hand will save.

I will speak my word to them.

I, who made the stars of night,

Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

I will make their darkness bright.

3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,

Who will bear my light to them?

I will tend the poor and lame.

Whom shall I send?"

I will set a feast for them.

*Refrain*

My hand will save.

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

Finest bread I will provide

I have heard you calling in the night.

till their hearts be satisfied.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will give my life to them.

I will hold your people in my heart.

Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,

I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them.

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Prayer of the Day  
A Gift of Song "Come to Jesus"

Kristi/Mark Ongalo

First Reading- 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

Gospel

Matthew 14: 22-33

Matthew 4: 18-22

Sermon

Sermon Song "Will You Come and Follow Me" # 798

- 1 "Will you come and follow me and do such as this unseen,  
if I but call your name? and admit to what I mean  
Will you go where you don't know in you and you in me?  
and never be the same? 4 "Will you love the you you hide  
Will you let my love be shown, if I but call your name?  
will you let my name be known, Will you quell the fear inside  
will you let my life be grown and never be the same?  
in you and you in me? Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
2 "Will you leave yourself behind through my sight and touch and sound  
if I but call your name? in you and you in me?"  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same? 5 Lord, your summons echoes true  
Will you risk the hostile stare, when you but call my name.  
should your life attract or scare? Let me turn and follow you  
Will you let me answer pray'r and never be the same.  
in you and you in me? In your company I'll go  
3 "Will you let the blinded see where your love and footsteps show.  
if I but call your name? Thus I'll move and live and grow  
Will you set the pris'ners free in you and you in me.  
and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean,

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

he is seated at the right hand of the  
Father,

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our  
Lord,

and he will come to judge the living and  
the dead.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to 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.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

*\*Or, “he descended into hell,” another translation of this text  
in widespread use.*

Sharing the peace

Offering Invitation

Offering

Offering Prayer

God’s Giving Continues...

Lord’s Prayer

Sharing the Meal

Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

***Radio version is ended here***

(Short Break for Coffee-Meeting in the fellowship hall)

Song “How Firm a Foundation”

#796

2022 OSLC Annual Meeting

Blessing

Sending

L: Go in peace. Shine the Light of Christ in all you do.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **An Invitation**

**Holy Communion:** All are welcome to this table. Whether you belong to this church, or another church, or no church at all, the gift of this bread and wine, and Christ’s real presence are for us all. Your Children are welcome. You do not need to be a certain age to receive the gift of God at this table. Those not communing may come forward for a blessing. Crossing your arms in front of your chest (sign language for love) will let our

servers know you would like a blessing. If you prefer grape juice, take the cups from the center of the tray. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, let the server know as you come forward. Please let the usher know if you would like communion brought to you.

We also celebrate the gifts of God's grace and love in **Holy Baptism**. If you have not been Baptized and would like to be, please contact the church office to visit with our pastor.

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Come for all is ready!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### Announcements January 22, 2023

**PRAYER:** You are invited to light the candles on the tables in the back of the sanctuary any time before, during, or after worship for yourself, or in memory/honor of a loved one as a symbol of the promised light of Christ shining in the darkest, gloomiest, most uncertain times of our life – to give us hope.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** Today at the end of the worship service, we will convene for coffee and the meeting in the Fellowship Hall, and continue with an opening Hymn~

**MONTHLY FOCUS ON THE "FREE LITTLE PANTRY"** We are asking for donations of boxed/dry pasta goods this month for the outside *Free Little Pantry*. Food items like spaghetti, shell or elbow macaroni, mac & cheese boxes, ramen noodles will be collected. You can bring your donated food item to the metal shopping cart in the Social Hall. Thank you! Every month we will announce a new food item to collect.

**CLOTHING SALE DONATIONS:** You may bring in donated clothing for next spring's clothing sale and leave in the back left side of the social hall or the west wing of the church on **MONDAYS**. Call Gloria if you have questions @ 218-750-7362. *Our Annual Clothing Sale will be Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>.*

**COLD WEATHER CLOTHESLINE:** You may place your donated winter items outside the west wing entrance in the boxes or on the clothes rack. Jackets, sweatshirts, sweaters, hats, gloves & mittens, and scarves are welcome. *If there is no room outside, the w. wing Library room has a box for items to put out as needed.*

**HELP UKRAINE** 🏠 You can support the people of Ukraine by sending donations to: *Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061*. You may also call LWR @ 800-638-3522. **Please continue to pray for peace, protection, and provisions.**

**IF YOU'RE VISITING:** *Thank you for being here today. If you would like to know more about OSLC, call the church office at 218-741-6207 or Pastor Tim @ 320-226-7074 (voice messages are routed to our email, so leave us a message). Office hours are Mon-Wed from 10am to 4pm, and Fri. 10am to 4pm (except during holidays). Join us for coffee & treats in our Fellowship Hall across from the sanctuary after worship. Bathrooms are located to the left and down the hall as you exit the sanctuary. Parents: As you enter the Sanctuary, to the left, there is an activity tree holding canvas bags with toys & books for your children to use during worship, and coloring pages/books with crayons in the basket beside it - feel free to use them! You are also welcome to utilize the Youth room down the hall with your little ones if needed (Sunday School also takes place here after worship). We're glad you're here~*

**PRAYER CHAIN:** You may call Janet Heglund @ 218-749-6143, prayer chain leader through April. Please pray for people in need of comfort, hope, healing, or safe transition: Matt(heart), Ethan(community, illness), Deb,

Jessica, Breanna, Jeremy, Richard, Shari, Rodney, Matt P., Ross-(needs your prayers to recover from infection, needs eye surgery & transplant of kidneys & pancreas), Marlene K., Avery(heart), Dave C., Lee, Kathy, Mary, Wally C., Carolyn, Raymon(blood circulation), Marlene S., Cliff, Gerilyn & family, Bonnie M.(MS), Victoria, Bob & Wife (ALS).

**RADIO SPONSORSHIP: Ed & Vickie Gorny support today's worship in honor of the celebration of their son Eric's birthday! Thank you for supporting this important ministry.** If you are interested in sponsoring a Sunday worship broadcast in honor of someone or a special event (wedding anniversary, birth of children, baptism date) or in memory of a loved one who has passed, you may do so in full for \$90 or in partial at \$45. Just call the +church office, and/or sign up on the sheet provided on the blue bulletin board by the fountain. Those in nursing homes, assisted living communities or at home and unable to attend in person thank you for considering. Our live worship can be heard on KRBT 1340AM & 104.9FM.

**A FEW ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY:**

**Giving Envelope Boxes:** You may pick up a new box in the entry/narthex. They are not numbered so be sure to write your name on the envelopes when you give. \* *There are 100 envelopes per box, a box could last two years.*

**Prayer Meetings:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 10am, next meeting will be Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>

**ANNUAL MEETING:** After Worship, Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, in our Fellowship Hall

**Confirmation:** Wed., Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade will meet together

**Contribution Statements:** Will be mailed to you the week of Jan. 23-27<sup>th</sup>

**Next Family Fun Night:** Wed., Feb. 1st at 5:30pm, Sprinkles & Glitter, Brownie/cake decorating & cardmaking.  
*Think... Valentine's Day*

**WELCA:** February Love offerings will begin. Thursday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> we will be the day we will make receiving blankets and pack Baby kits, you are welcome to join us, 10am – 12pm.

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*Thank you for contributing – the check was sent by  
WELCA to purchase the animals listed below on behalf  
of the church family!*



January  
22<sup>nd</sup>

*Annual Meeting  
after worship*