

Our Savior's Lutheran Church and School

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"Inspired to Love, Encouraged to Think and Sent to Serve."



Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

*A special welcome to all.
Please join us each and every Sunday
as we worship the risen Lord.*

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Introduction

Who are the blessed ones of God? For Micah, they are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. For Paul, they are the ones who find wisdom in the weakness of the cross. For Jesus, they are the poor, the meek, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, those who mourn, and those who hunger for righteousness. In baptism we find our blessed identity and calling in this countercultural way of living and serving.

Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C **Amen.**

P We give you thanks, holy and gracious God, for you created the waters of the earth: wide oceans, rushing streams, clear lakes, mighty rivers.

P You led your people through the sea and called them to life in covenant with you. Your Son was baptized in the river Jordan to begin his mission among us. You pour out your Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth. Through this water remind us of the gift of baptism. Renew us in your promise so that we may serve this world in all its need; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

“King Of Glory”

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Greeting

P 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.**

Jesus, the Light of the World

Christ, by high - est heav'n a-dored, Je - sus, the Light of the world;
Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord! Je - sus, the Light of the world. —
We'll walk in the light, beau-ti - ful light, come where the dew - drops of
mer-cy are bright. Shine all a-round us by day and by night, Je-sus, the Light of the world.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray
Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

Special Music

OSLS Preschoolers

Children's Message

First Reading

Micah 6:1-8

With the mountains and the foundations of the earth as the jury, God brings a lawsuit against Israel. God has "wearied" Israel with a long history of saving acts. God does not want or expect lavish sacrifices to attempt to earn divine favor. Rather God empowers the people to do justice, to love loyalty to God, and to walk shrewdly in God's service.

¹Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice.

²Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.

³"O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

⁵O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

⁶“With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

⁸He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

According to the world's standards of power and might, the message of the cross seems stupid and offensive. Yet this word reveals the paradoxical way God has chosen to work power and salvation through weakness, rejection, and suffering. Hence the message of the cross becomes true wisdom and power for believers.

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

²⁶Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God.

³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Gospel Acclamation

Come, light, light of God, give light to cre - a - tion. Al -
le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

Jesus opens the Sermon on the Mount by naming those who are blessed in the reign of God.

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Message

Pastor Cole McGlynn

Hymn of the Day

“Blest Are They”

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Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand

of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always

C **And also with you.**

Offering *(Please consider making an offering to Habitat for Humanity)*

Musical notation for the offering song. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "As they of-fered gifts most rare at thy cra-dle, rude and bare, so may". The second staff continues: "we with ho-ly joy, pure and free from sin's al-loy, all our". The third staff concludes: "cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'n-ly king." There are measure numbers 5 and 9 indicated at the start of the second and third staves respectively.

Offering Prayer

P God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

C **Amen.**

Prayers of the People *(each petition shall end...)*

P Merciful God

C **Receive our prayer**

Holy Communion

P The Lord be with you

C **And also with you**

P Lift up your hearts

C **We lift them to the Lord**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise**

P It is indeed right...

The Lord's Prayer

C **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**

Distribution

Song of Assurance

I Love to Tell the Story



I I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Blessing

P God bless you and keep you, ✝ Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

C Amen.

Announcements

Sending Hymn

“All the People Said Amen”

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Dismissal

P Christ the Savior is born! Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.

C Thanks be to God.

Gathering Hymn

“King Of Glory”

Oh don't lose heart oh my soul oh my soul
Don't give up there is hope there is always hope

And there is peace in the storm in the storm
No don't forget He is Lord He is Lord of all

(Chorus)

**There is a King of glory
There is a God who saves
One who is strong and mighty
Freedom is in His name
Open the gates of heaven
Lift up a shout of praise
There is a lion roaring
Jesus the King of glory**

So lift your eyes stand in awe stand in awe
There is one only one where my help comes from

(Chorus)

**There is a King of glory
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Freedom is in His name
Open the gates of heaven
Lift up a shout of praise
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Jesus the King of glory**

(Chorus)

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Jesus the King of glory**

(BRIDGE)

Nations bow mountains shake
At the sound of just one name
Over all Jesus reigns (I know) I know
(Repeat)

(ENDING)

There is a lion roaring
Jesus the King of Glory

Hymn of the Day

Blest Are They

Blest are they, the poor in spi - rit; Theirs is the
Blest are they, the low - ly ones; They shall in -
Blest are they who show mer - cy Mer - cy
Blest are they who seek peace They are the
Blest are you who suf - fer hate All be -

6
king - dom of God. Blessed are they,
her - it the earth. Blessed are they, who
shall be theirs. Blessed are they, the
child - ren of God. Blessed are they who
cause of me Re - joice, be glad,

11
full of sor - row; They shall be con - soled.
hun - ger and thirst; They shall have their fill.
pure of heart They shall see God
suf - fer in faith The glo - ry of God is theirs.
yours is the king - dom Shine for all to see

16
Re - joice and be glad!

21
Bles - sed are you; ho - ly are you! Re - joice and be

27
glad! Yours is the King - dom of God!

All the People Said Amen

Matt Maher, Trevor Morgan and Paul Moak

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of ten staves of music with corresponding lyrics. The score includes a chorus section starting at measure 10 and ending at measure 29. The lyrics are as follows:

You are not a-lone if you are lone-ly When you feel a-fraid
 you're not the on-ly We are all the same in need of mer-cy—
 To be for-giv-en and be free It's all you got to lean on But thank
Chorus
 God it's all you need— And all the peo-ple said "A-men." whoa—
 And all the peo-ple said "A-men." Give thanks to the Lord for His love
 —nev-er ends And all the peo-ple said "A-men." If you're rich or poor
 well it don't mat-ter Weak or strong youknow love is what we're af-ter
 We're all bro-ken butwe're all in this to-geth-er— God knows we stum-ble and fall
 — And He so loved the world He sent His son to save us all
Chorus
 And all the peo-ple said "A-men." whoa— And all the peo-ple said "A-

Sending Hymn, cont

32
men." Give thanks to the Lord for His love—nev-er ends And all the peo-ple said "A -

36
men." Bless-ed are the poor in spir - it who are torn a - part Bless-ed are

39
—the per-se-cut-ed and the pure in heart Bless-ed are— the peo-ple hun-gry for an - oth-er start For

43
Chorus
theirs is the king - dom the king-dom of God— And all the peo-ple said "A - men." whoa—

47
And all the peo - ple said "A - men." Give

49
thanks to the Lord— for His love— nev-er ends And all the peo - ple said "A -

52
men." And all the peo - ple said "A - men."

The image shows a musical score for a hymn, continuing from a previous page. It consists of seven staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a chorus section starting at measure 43. The lyrics are: "men." Give thanks to the Lord for His love—nev-er ends And all the peo-ple said "A - men." Bless-ed are the poor in spir - it who are torn a - part Bless-ed are —the per-se-cut-ed and the pure in heart Bless-ed are— the peo-ple hun-gry for an - oth-er start For theirs is the king - dom the king-dom of God— And all the peo-ple said "A - men." whoa— And all the peo - ple said "A - men." Give thanks to the Lord— for His love— nev-er ends And all the peo - ple said "A - men." And all the peo - ple said "A - men."