



**February 4, 2024**  
**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**  
**9:00 AM**

**ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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*Members of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, in response to Christ's love,  
Reach out in service to each other, the community, and the world.*



*Welcome to Worship! All words will be displayed on the screen.  
Kids, don't forget your Praise Packs! Children's Bulletins are available in the Praise Packs!*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS



### PRELUDE

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Kevin Sadowski



## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

**C: Amen.**

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

***Brief pause***

God, our rock and our refuge,

**C: We pour out our hearts before you.**

**We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.**

P: God has spoken: the time of grace is now.

In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.

By the authority of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.

**All: Amen**



## OPENING HYMN

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

#617, verses 1,2 & 5

## 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION



## READING

Psalm 119:1-16, 105

R: <sup>1</sup>Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

**C: <sup>2</sup>Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart,**

R: <sup>3</sup>who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways.

**C: <sup>4</sup>You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.**

R: <sup>5</sup>O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

C: <sup>6</sup>**Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**

R: <sup>7</sup>I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.

C: <sup>8</sup>**I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.**

R: <sup>9</sup>How can young people keep their way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

C: <sup>10</sup>**With my whole heart I seek you; do not let me stray from your commandments.**

R: <sup>11</sup>I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you.

C: <sup>12</sup>**Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes.**

R: <sup>13</sup>With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth.

C: <sup>14</sup>**I delight in the way of your decrees as much as in all riches.**

R: <sup>15</sup>I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways.

C: <sup>16</sup>**I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.**

R: <sup>105</sup>Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

R: *The Word of the Lord*

C: **Thanks be to God**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Monte



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

# 175



## HOLY GOSPEL

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.

*P: This is the Gospel of our Lord*

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**



## SERMON

Pastor Monte



## SERMON HYMN

“Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness”

#843, All Verses



## APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,  
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.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven.  
He is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
And 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 CHURCH

P: God of grace, **C: Receive our prayer.**



## PEACE

*P: The peace of the Lord be with you always* **C: And also with you.**

*Please greet one another with the words, “Peace be with you.”*



## OFFERING

*Pew Pads are located at the far end of each pew.  
Please fill them out and pass them, noting those seated around you.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“On Eagle’s Wings”

Michael Joncas

*Voices of St. Luke’s – Congregation sings refrain as directed.*

*Children are invited to gather at the back during the anthem and help bring forward the offering.*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

**P:** *The Lord be with you.*

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** *Open your hearts.*

**C:** **We open them to God and to one another.**

**P:** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**C:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### † LORD’S PRAYER

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 - Continuous

*If you wish to have the Pastor bring communion to your pew, please notify an Usher.  
All are Welcome!*



## COMMUNION HYMN

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

#612, All Verses



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**P:** Giver of every gift,

**C:** **We have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.**



## BENEDICTION



## CLOSING HYMN

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

#858, verses 1 and 4



## DISMISSAL

**P:** Go in peace. You are God’s Beloved.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADERS WHO RECEIVED THEIR BIBLES TODAY**

Phineas Braatz  
Lucas Feucht  
Kamryn Lawlor  
Charley Thomas

**+ THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSISTED DURING WORSHIP TODAY! +**

You can now **GIVE ONLINE**, by scanning the QR code:



*Thank you for all the ways you contribute to the life and ministry of the church!*

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given by Todd and Diane Beutin, for blessings received.

**OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

**Monday, February 5**

9:00 am Quilters  
7:00 pm Dartball

**Wednesday, February 7**

10:00am Quilters  
1:00 pm Worship  
6:00 pm Confirmation (Fe)  
6:00 pm Handbell Choir  
7:00 pm Choir

**Thursday, February 8**

6:30 pm Rock of Faith

**Friday, February 9**

**Church Office Closed**

**Saturday, February 10**

9:30 am Rock of Faith

**Sunday, February 11**

**Rock of Faith and Sunday School Sings**

9:00 am Worship  
10:00 am Fellowship  
10:15 am Pancake Breakfast



**Service for Ash Wednesday will be February 14, 2024 at 1:00pm & 7:00pm.**

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**Soup Supper begins on February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:30pm.**

# Church ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALL ONLINE SIGN-UPS CAN BE FOUND AT:** [www.slchurch.org/sign-ups](http://www.slchurch.org/sign-ups)

## **”SOUPER BOWL”**

Everyone – adults and children – is urged to bring a can of soup to worship on Sunday, February 11, and join in our “Souper-Bowl” challenge to pick the winner of the NFL championship game later that day. A “football stadium” will be set up in the gathering space, and you can place your soup can on the side of the field representing the team that you think will win. The soup will be donated to our partner food pantry at First Lutheran Church in West Allis

## **DINNER FOR 8, ROUND 2!**

A great way to get to know St. Luke’s better, for long-timers and newcomers alike!

- Groups eat and share together however they want: potluck meal, restaurant or a picnic.
- Singles or couples, members and non-members. All are welcome!
- Kick-off dinner Sunday, February 25, 6:00pm at church. Mexican & Margaritas **\$15/person.**
- Meet your group, have some fun, and decide on your future plans.
- Even if you can’t come to the kick-off dinner, you can still join and be in a group!
- Sign-ups begin TODAY in person or online.
- Indicate if you prefer a group that meets every other month OR quarterly.

Let the little children come to me ...  
it is to such as these that the  
kingdom of God belongs.  
Mark 10:14, NRSV



### **\*\*PRAISE PACK ICONS\*\***



Light your candle when the candles are lit at the front of the church & hold it up high. At the end of the service turn your candle off.



Take out the cross & hold it tight during tight during times of prayer.



Use the ribbon stick to move to the music



Look at the booklet on the clipboard to follow along with today’s reading(s), or follow along on the screen



While listening to the sermon, color the picture(s) & do the activity sheets on your clipboards. Can you make any connections between your sheets & the sermon?



Put “I Give myself to God” Paper in the offering plate as your offering.



Greet those around you with a handshake, wave, fist bump, or say hello



Place the sticker on your shirt to remember that you are a child of God and He loves you!