

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 29, 2023 9:00 a.m. Our Saviour's Lutheran Church 108 Haarfager Ave. N.; Canby, MN 56220 www.oslcanby.org email: oslcanbymn@gmail.com Pastor: Levi Bollerud

\*\*Welcome! We are grateful for the spirit that prompted you to worship with us today

and hope you find a meaningful experience in your time with us. We thank you for the prayers you brought and for the witness you made to the world by being in the Lord's house on the Lord's Day. We invite you to worship with us again; our church family will always welcome you!\*

## To the parents of our young children, may we suggest:

- Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for children to see and hear.
- Sing hymns loudly, pray, and voice the responses with enthusiasm. Children learn behavior by copying you. If you are fired up about God, they will be too!
- Remember that the way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, to Christ, to one another. Let them know that they are at home in the Church.
- Teach children some of the basic prayers, being able to join in with the prayers help them feel they are contributing too. Attend worship often, children like and need routines where they can participate.
- Children are invited to participate in communion, where they learn that God loves them.

**To Members of the congregation:** A smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small, active children. The presence of children is a gift to the church! They give us a future filled with hope!

# \*Please, Stand As You Are Able—And Sit As You Feel The Need! CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Trusting in God's mercy, God our Savior, let us confess our sin.

[Silence for reflection and self-examination.]

- P: Holy one, source of our renewal.
- C: we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen
- P: Hear the good news: We are children of God and heirs of God's promises through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In †Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed. Sing with joy, for all the ends of the earth shall know the salvation of God.
- C: Amen

\*GATHERING HYMN CHILDREN'S SERMON "Rise up, O saints of God!"

#669 ELW

\*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.
- \*SHARING OF THE PEACE
- \*PRAYER OF THE DAY
  - P: Holy God,
  - C: 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 perserverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of you Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

WELCOME AND COMMENTS ON THE DAY

FIRST READING

Micah

6:1-8

Psalm 15

**SECOND READING** 

1 Corinthians

1:18-31

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia..."

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\*HOLY GOSPEL

**Matthew 5:1-12** 

Glory to you, O Lord. Praise to you, O Christ SERMON

### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Liberating God,

C: You break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Petitions end: Merciful God, Response: Receive our prayer.

**\*OUR LORD'S PRAYER** 

\*RECESSIONAL SONG "The Spirit Sends us forth to serve" #551 ELW

#### \*GOD'S BLESSING

P: The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod, † bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C: Amen \*DISMISSAL

P: So now together, we go out into God's great creation, and with the power of the Holy Spirit, ever present in our hearts, let's change some lives.

C: We will! Alleluia!

**SENDING SONG** "Go Now In Peace"

Projected

Postlude

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# Please remain in the Sanctuary until all the candles are extinguished. Thank you.

## Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Invites You To: Belong – Believe – Become – Be a Blessing

Custodian: Jesse Engesmoe Office Manager: Jill Winters

Organist/Handbell Choir: Karen Olsen Digital Projection: Linda Kockelman &

Dawn Ourada

Choir Director: Pastor Levi Bollerud

Treasurer: Brenda Lothert Guest Accompanist: Lector: Dawn Ourada

Videographers: Mark Fokken, Rick

Bueltel, & Jon Hanson

For *January* the *Eternal Lights* burn in the Sanctuary and Chapel in honor of *Vernon & Ilene Jacobson*.

Given by Curt & Karen Olsen.

## January Mission Calendar

1<sup>th</sup>: In honor of *Noah Hanson's birthday today*. Given by family.

8th: In memory of *Steve Benson*. Given by Shirley Saum.

We ask God's guidance and prayers for all those who have special needs: Fritz Urban, Mandy Kack, Ann Riekena (Ione Thorson's daughter), David Sorby, Paulette Johnson, Karen Wendroth (Sherri Full's sister). Shirley Markegard, Charlotte Thompson, Nick Benson, Karen Ouverson Pohlen, Bonnie Olson, Aiden Conrad, Debra (Haugen) Galecki, Troy Hoffman, Kara Mortenson, Ken Club, Fred Full, Myrna Tesch, Patty McLain (Sherri Full's sister), Lyla Nelson, Nina Benz, Katrina Vick, Debbie Cornell, Dane Nordquist, John Cornell, Joyce Brouwer, Mary Adler, Robert Kokesh, Fern Emmons and granddaughter Gabrielle, Fran Beecher, Patricia Hoffman, Bruce Garrels, Karin Livermore, Deanna Stephenson, Dean Hedge, Sandra Nelson, Sherry Olson, Linda Vlaminck and all whom we name before you in our hearts. May God strengthen all who are in need.

We continue to pray for the Leaders of the Nations, for all the Peacekeeping forces and especially for the service men and women connected with OSL, both those who remain deployed and those who now feel the safety of home: Andrew Fokken, Anthony Nemitz, Cody Dinius, Ross Larson, Nicole Nelson (granddaughter of Larry & Joanne Nelson), Ethan Webster, Tony Geier, Ryan Stoks, Nicholas Schultz, Tony Nelson, Kirk Larson, Ryan Otto, Tyson Coil, Christopher Oellien, Stephanie Geier. May God continue to strengthen these committed military personnel and their families. If anyone has been omitted or you would like to add a name, please contact the church office. We ask God to surround them and their loved ones with His love and presence.

At Our Saviour's we have many ongoing opportunities to "BELONG – BELIEVE – BECOME – BE A BLESSING"

Here are some ways you can do that during the month of January:

A Cry Room is available during the morning worship service for infants to 3 years. It is located off the chapel and is wired for sound enabling you and your child to participate in the service. For older children, we offer special activity bags for them to borrow during the worship service, encouraging them to join the congregation in the pews. These *activity bags* can be found at the back of the sanctuary hanging on the back of the last pew.

## OSL Church Council News.....

We are fast approaching the end of the year and that means we will be having our Annual Meeting soon (1/29/23). We are in need of new members for the Council. If you or someone you know is interested in being on the Council, please contact the office, 223-5528, or Dee Benson, 507-828-5054. Members are needed for all positions. The different areas of the Council are Board of Deacons, Board of Trustees and Board of Youth Education. The Deacons take care of the business of the church services, i.e. plan/assist with communion, decorate the sanctuary, deliver Easter plants to shut-ins, yearly service project. The Board of Trustees manage the finances of the Church, approve and pay bills, manage the upkeep of the Church building. The Board of Youth Education manage Sunday School, Confirmation activities, plan for fundraising, VBS. Council meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. (except for the summer months when we meet on the second Sunday after services).

\*\*\*\*\***2023 Offering Envelopes** are available for pickup. They are on the table in the Chapel.

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church will hold its *Annual Meeting of the* Congregation on Sunday, January 29, 2023, following the 9:00 a.m. worship service.

\*\*\*WE WILL BE HAVING A POT LUCK FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL MEETING.

HOTDISH: DISTRICT 1, 6A, 5 & 8 SALADS & BREADS: DISTRICT 4, 6B & 7 DESSERTS: DISTRICT 2 & 3

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.\*\*\*

## **CALENDAR**

Sunday, January 29th: Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar available prior to worship 9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Monday, January 30rd: Pastor's Sabbath Office hours 9a-3p

Tuesday, January 31st: Office hours 9a-3p Wednesday, February 1st: Office hours 9a-3p Thursday, February 2nd: Office hours 9a-3p Friday, February 3rd: Office hours 9a-3p

Saturday, February 4th:

Sunday, February 5th: Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Coffee Bar available prior to worship 9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:10 a.m. Coffee Talk

### Monthly Giving Report for December

Total Giving Needed Each Month:	\$ 23,438.10
Simply Giving for the Month	\$ 5,303.83
Weekly offering received for the Month	\$ 44,303.45
Total Giving for the Month:	\$ 50,492.78
Monthly Surplus/Deficit:	\$ 27,054.68
Thrivent Choice Deposits (YTD 12/30/2022)	\$ 1,613.00
Total Giving (YTD 12/30/2022):	\$284,788.87
Noisy Coin Offerings: (YTD 12/30/2022)	\$ 3,240.73

Cornerstone Fund Balance as of 12/30/2022: \$29.961.92

If you would desire a pastoral visit for any reason, please call the **church office at 507-223-5528**. If you have an emergency, i.e, hospital or family issue, please call **Pastor Levi's cell phone at 701-367-7072**.

#### GIVE+Online.....

We invite you to consider our new <u>electronic giving program</u> as a way to automate your <u>regular weekly offerings</u>. Electronic giving is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for our church. There is no cost for you to participate. To get started you will need to sign up in the link on the front page of our website (oslcanby.org) or you may call the office 223-5528 for assistance.