

And I said,

“ Here am I;
send me! ”

Isaiah 6: 8

Epiphany 5

Sunday, February 9, 2025

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA
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to all as we worship, serve and grow together."***

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+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+

Presiding Minister: Pastor Joanne Richmond

AV Team: Gary & Deb Wold

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Communion Assistant: Laura Sanborn

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

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

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.**

We are truly sorry and humbly repent.

In your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things we have done

and things we have failed to do.

Turn us again to you,

and uphold us by your Spirit,

so that we may live and serve you

in newness of life

through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy,

loved us even when we were dead in sin,

and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ,

your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you

with power through the Holy Spirit,

that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

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Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.

Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Most holy God,
the earth is filled with your glory,
and before you angels
and saints stand in awe.

Enlarge our vision to see
your power at work in the world,
and by your grace
make us heralds of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

READING: Isaiah 6: 1—8

A reading from Isaiah

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Joanne Richmond

Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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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 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 INTERCESSION

(Response to each petition is the refrain from ELW #617, Shine Jesus, Shine.)

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all.

God of creation, provide protection from the elements and other hazards to all whose work brings them outside: for fishers, ranchers, line workers, and construction crews. Guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**Shine, Jesus, shine fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!**

Open the hearts of all leaders, especially those who serve in the armed forces, that they respond to their commission with wisdom and patience. Ensure that all who serve are kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict.

Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental illness, injury, or illness of any kind. Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens.

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Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!**

Call our faith communities to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of this congregation, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world.

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith. May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

**Shine, Jesus, shine fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!**

We entrust our prayers to you, God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

NOISY OFFERING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

You may come forward for communion using the center aisle. After receiving bread from Pastor, please take an empty glass from the small table. If you prefer grape juice, take a full glass. Proceed to the person with the pouring chalice. After receiving your wine/blessing, place your empty glass in the basket you will see as you walk toward the side aisle.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

May God bless you and keep you.

May the face of Christ shine on you with grace and mercy.

May the Spirit of God look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

In Christ Called to Baptize



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
 2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
 3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
 4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
 a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
 the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
 for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
 Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
 By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
 E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
 One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
 in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
 In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

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DISMISSAL

Go with Christ into a world of need.

Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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MOO-MOO'S PRAYER CLUB

Today, 10:15am—Sanctuary

All ages are welcome (especially infants, toddlers, and elementary-age school children) to come join us to discover the many different ways people can praise and serve God!

CHOCOLATE SUNDAY

Today, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Celebrate Valentine's Day with us in style! Come indulge in a morning of pure chocolate bliss featuring a variety of scrumptious confections and decadent desserts—all while enjoying great company.

MARDI GRAS OSLC STYLE!

Sunday, February 16, 2025, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Join us for this fun fellowship event! The fun begins after worship, with New Orleans style food and music. This is a chance for our whole church family to get together before we prepare for Lent.

MARDI GRAS SET-UP

Saturday, February 15, 2025, 10am—12 noon—Fellowship Hall and Fellowship Hall Kitchen

We are looking for help prepping food and decorating for Mardi Gras. If you are available, just show up and we'll put you to work. All ages welcome to participate.

DR. EDDIE KIM'S FUNDRAISING EVENT!

Sun., Feb. 2025, 1pm—Friendship First Community Center, Blair, WI

Come enjoy an afternoon of music and fun as we raise funds for Friendship First programming! Featuring Dr. Eddie Kim, Coulee Region pianist, performing a variety of tunes from classic favorites to today's hits! **Tickets:** \$10 in advance, available at: Blair Lutheran Church; Blair-Preston, Whitehall, Taylor and/or Ettrick Public Libraries. **Additional Fun:** Meat bundle raffle with delicious items from Blair Meat Markets; Refreshments available. Bring your friends! We can't wait to see you there!

OUR SAVIOR'S COOK-OFF

Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025—Fellowship Hall

We are **looking for cooks** to try to win the '*Best of Our Savior's*.' So rustle up a favorite recipe and sign up with the name of your dish and a brief description on the bulletin board next to the church office to register. Who will win the title of "*Best of Our Savior's*?"

PIE-LUCK SUNDAY

Sunday, March 9, 2025, 10:15am—Fellowship Hall

Come chase cabin fever away! Bring your favorite pie to share during the coffee hour! All pies are welcome, be they savory or sweet or store-bought or homemade.

HEALTHY LIVING WITH DIABETES

Gundersen Health System will be hosting a VIRTUAL workshop Mondays (2 ½ hours) for 6 weeks starting Monday, March 3, 2025. This workshop is designed to help adults with type 2 diabetes, pre-diabetes or for those caring for someone who has diabetes to learn self-management skills, healthy eating strategies and more. For more information, please call Vicky at 608.775.6870 or go to [Gundersenhealth.org/events](https://gundersenhealth.org/events).

LENT 2025: THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let's refresh our knowledge of Luther's Small Catechism!
Specifically, what Luther had to say about the Lord's Prayer.

ASH WEDNESDAY—Wednesday, March 5, 2025

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name..."

We'll look at the Introduction and first petition of Luther's explanation.

MIDWEEK LENT 1—Wednesday, March 12, 2025

"...your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven."

We'll look at the second and third petitions of Luther's explanation.

MIDWEEK LENT 2—Wednesday, March 19, 2025

"Give us today our daily bread..."

We'll look at the 4th petition of Luther's explanation.

MIDWEEK LENT 3—Wednesday, March 26, 2025

"Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us."

We'll look at the 5th petition of Luther's explanation.

MIDWEEK LENT 4—Wednesday, April 2, 2025

"Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil."

We'll look at the 6th and 7th petitions of Luther's explanation.

MIDWEEK LENT 5—Wednesday, April 9, 2025

"For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen."

We'll look at Luther's explanation to what he calls the "conclusion" of the prayer.

HOLY WEEK 2025

PALM SUNDAY—Sunday, April 13, 2025

Processional Gospel Matthew 21: 1-9 and Reading from Philippians 2: 5-11

We hear the story of Jesus's grand entry into Jerusalem.

Then, we consider Paul's words to the Philippians *"he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross"*

MAUNDY THURSDAY—Thursday, April 17, 2025

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 "The Lord's Supper"

GOOD FRIDAY—Friday, April 18, 2025

We read the Passion according to the Gospel of John.

Easter Sunday: Luke 24: 1-12 The resurrection of Jesus!

OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

CALENDAR

Chocolate Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025

9:30am Worship/HC
10:15am Moo-Moo's Prayer Club
10:15am Chocolate Sunday
6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Monday

9am—1pm Office Open
10am—12 noon Gas Vouchers
6pm Priscilla Circle

Tuesday

9am—1pm Office Open
9am Quilters
9am—3pm Pastor Joanne at
Spring Theological
1—5pm WCC
4pm CFS Doors Open
4:15—5:15pm CFS Meal Served
5:15—5:30pm CFS Carry Outs

Wednesday

9am—1pm Office Open
9am Staff mtg.
12 noon Worship

Thursday

9am—1pm Office Open

Friday

Pastor/Staff Sabbath

Saturday

9am—1pm WCC open
10am—12 noon Mardi Gras Set-Up

Mardi Gras Sun., Feb. 16, 2025

9:30am Worship/HC
10:15am Mardi Gras
6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg.

Calendar Notations:

HC—Holy Communion

CFS—Come For Supper

WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Athena Burg, **Bev** Hanson, **Casey** Kanter, **Cindy** Moe, **Cindy** Vieth, **Dan** Odenbach, **Danielle** Sorenson, **Dave** Kjos, **Erik** Rudrud, **Esther** Harman, **Eugene** Herold, **Gabe** Centanni, **George**, **Jean** Koll, **Jeannie** White, **Jeff** Kent, **Jim** Garson, **Jim** Radatz, **Joyce** Gosman, **Karen** Geoglein, **Kate** and **Kalvin**, **Katie** White, **Kilian** Crary, **Lane** C., **Lois** Horne, **Lucy** Radatz, **Kelly** Olson, **Mary** Covey, **Monica** & **Jack**, **Morris** Buros, **Peggy** Kneifl, **Pete** Harman, **Rich** Pitz, **Robert** Onsrud, **Rose** Sabotta, **Roxanne** North, **Sandy** Kjos, **Sonja** Simonson-Schrag, **Tom** Cade, **Vera** Wensole, and **Vickie** Hengel

GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

Dorothy Gray and **Carol** Kant

MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

Gabriel W. Kleven, **Greg** Phillips, **Ricky** Macon, **Stacie** Phillips, and **Tom** Rudrud

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

John Schroeder	February 10
Gabrielle Jendro	February 12
Jameson Pitz	February 12
Lorraine Glanzer	February 13
Cheryl Vieth	February 13
Peter Schilling	February 15
Mary Stutesman	February 16
Cruz Marquez	February 16
Colleen Pitz	February 16