

Welcome to
All Saints Lutheran Church

where God calls us to spread God's message of love and grace through word and action.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2023
9:30AM WORSHIP

Welcome to Worship!

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. 1John 3:1a

We invite all into the grace, love and acceptance we have from God. WE WELCOME YOU: who you are, as you are; where you are coming from. We welcome:

- all sexual orientations and gender identities
- all ages, financial situations, married, divorced, single, with or without children
- all racial, ethnic, and social backgrounds
- all who are struggling with addictions and other personal hardships
- all levels of physical and mental health and abilities
- all faith backgrounds, those questioning their faith, and those new to faith

Every one is welcome. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation. We invite all to fully participate in the life and ministry of All Saints Lutheran Church where we seek to share God's love and grace, through word and action.

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Colossians 3:14,15

A Special Welcome to Visitors

Our worship is enriched because you are here! You are welcome to participate in all activities of the congregation.

Join us for coffee and conversation after worship—we'd like to get to know you!

Communion at All Saints

Believing in the real presence of Christ, we practice Eucharist hospitality: all baptized persons are welcome to communion. Any who prefer not to receive communion are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing; simply keep your hands folded to indicate this preference.

Both wine & grape juice are available, and gluten-free wafers are available on request.

Children are Welcome in Worship

We believe that children are not "the future of the church" but are the present of the church. Their presence is a gift to us all. Picture books and activity bags are available for children's use during worship.

OUR PURPOSE STATEMENT

God calls us to spread God's message of love and grace through word and action.

Our Guiding Principles

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD AND SAVIOR.

WE BELIEVE.

*We seek to grow in our faith and relationship with God.
We offer opportunities for all to come to know Jesus Christ.*

WE LISTEN.

*We pray boldly, seeking the guidance and transforming power of the Holy Spirit.
We seek to understand the needs of individuals and the community.*

WE ACT.

*We demonstrate God's grace in our relationships with others
through caring, sharing, and respect for all.*

We serve others first and seek justice and reconciliation in the church, community, and the world.

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January 29, 2023

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.

GATHERING

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ALICE KUBO

*Before the Prelude, speak to one another. During the Prelude, speak to God.
During the service, let God speak to you. During the week, let God speak through you.*

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

All Amen.

Pastor Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Pastor We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.

Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

All Amen.



We are the dark - skin We are the light
We are the walk - ing We are the lame
We are the sin - gle We are the wed
We are the weal - thy We are the poor



We are the blind - ness and we are the sight
We are the dif - f'rent and we are the same
We are the hun - gry and we are the bread
We are the stee - ple and we are the door

Text: Ray Makeever
Music: OPEN THE DOOR, Ray Makeever

WORDS OF WELCOME

GREETING

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

All And also with you.

KYRIE

Refrain

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Pastor Let us pray.

All **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. Amen.**

WORD

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

FIRST READING

MICHAH 6: 1-8 (NRSV)

With the mountains and the foundations of the earth as the jury, God brings a lawsuit against Israel. God has "weari- ed" 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.

Lector The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 15 (NRSV)

Read responsively

Lector LORD, who may dwell in your
tabernacle?

All **Who may abide upon your holy
hill?**

Lector Those who lead a blameless life and
do what is right,

All **who speak the truth from their
heart;**

Lector they do not slander with the tongue,
they do no evil to their friends;

All **they do not cast discredit upon a
neighbor.**

Lector In their sight the wicked are
rejected, but they honor those who
fear the LORD.

All **They have sworn upon their health
and do not take back their word.**

Lector They do not give their money in hope
of gain, nor do they take bribes
against the innocent.

All **Those who do these things shall
never be overthrown.**

SECOND READING

I CORINTHIANS 5:18-31

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.

Lector The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TALK

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*We acclaim the living Word, Jesus Christ, present in the gospel reading.
Please stand as you are able.*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the fourth chapter.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

MATTHEW 5: 1-12 (NRSV)

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

Pastor The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

You may be seated.

SERMON

Preaching brings God's word of law and gospel into our time and place to awaken and nourish faith.

The sermon concludes with a moment for silent reflection.

HYMN OF THE DAY

LET STREAMS OF LIVING JUSTICE



1 Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;
2 For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end,
3 Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;



give free - dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.
for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.
your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.



The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,
Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;
Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,



the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.
on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.
our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home - land bright - ly gleams.

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Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;
 O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;
 In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way—the path un - tried;

a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance: pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.
 dye our tex - ture with your ra - diance, light our col - ors with your sun.
 your truth—the heart of strang - er; your life—the Cru - ci - fied.

Text: William Whitla, b. 1934
 Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934
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APOSTLE'S CREED

Joining together with the baptized of every time and place we profess the faith.

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

Assisting Minister Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

Each petition ends, "Merciful God". We respond, "send wholeness to all."

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love through Jesus Christ, our Holy Wisdom.

All Amen.

THE PEACE

Pastor The Peace of the Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

We exchange the Peace of Christ, greeting each other with words of peace, aware that Christ is in our midst in the faces of those around us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING *As the magi entered the house, they knelt and paid homage to Jesus, giving him gifts.
So we come into God's house today, offering from our own treasure chests gifts to Christ, the light of the world.*

MUSICAL OFFERING

BLEST ARE THEY

CHOIR

OFFERTORY HYMN

Please stand as you are able, as we present our gifts to God.

Refrain/Estribillo



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,
da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;
y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.

1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té
1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold

con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;

que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry

Refrain/Estribillo

pul - so de tu a - mor.
beau - ti - ful for thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, adapt.; Spanish text: Vincent Mendoza, 1875–1955
Music: TOMA MI VOLUNTAD, William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956
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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor God of all creation, you have given us life, love, compassion and hope. We offer the gifts of our very beings to your holy calling. Strengthen us through these gifts to be arms of acceptance, mercy and justice for the world.

All **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Before the Lord's supper is shared, the presiding minister leads us into thanksgiving. With the whole creation, we join the angels' song.

Pastor The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The presiding minister speaks holy words, recalling the Gospel story of Jesus sharing a holy meal with his followers and proclaiming God's grace. Jesus Christ is present in, with, and under the bread and wine.

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.

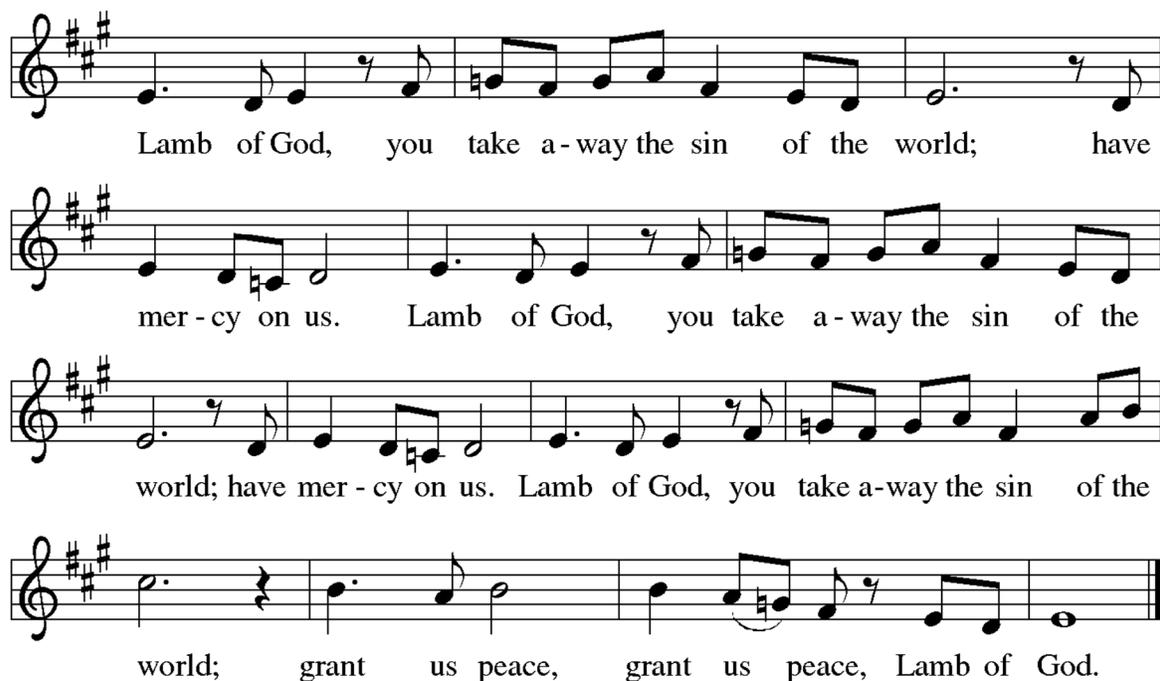
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor Come and taste the joy of God!

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

The ushers will invite you forward for communion. Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request. White grape juice is in the center area of the communion trays.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

WHAT FEAST OF LOVE



- 1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban-quet come from heav - en?
- 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
- 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim-son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last-ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?
What hope of ev - er - last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv - en?
What stream of ev - er - last-ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

Text: Delores Dufner, osb, b. 1939

Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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TABLE BLESSING

Please stand as you are able

Pastor The body and blood of our Lord strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All **Amen.**

SENDING

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD.

SENDING HYMN

LET US TALENTS AND TONGUES EMPLOY



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

SENDING DIALOGUE

We leave this worship to take the good news of God's love with us in the world.

Pastor The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. Say Amen!

All **Amen!**

Pastor The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Say Amen!

All **Amen!**

Pastor The God of all grace † bless you now and forever. Say Amen!

All **Amen!**

In WORSHIP TODAY

Ministers	<i>All Saints' Faith Community</i>
Presiding Minister	<i>Pr. Dave Miller</i>
Assisting Minister	<i>Pat Cash</i>
Lector	<i>Val Banta</i>
Choir Director	<i>Alice Kubo</i>
Pianist	<i>Alice Kubo</i>
Ushers	<i>John & Marian Caldwell</i>
Altar Guild	<i>Michele Damazyn, Vera Janikowski</i>

Altar Flowers

*...are given by Bill & June Davis in thankfulness
for a wonderful 40 years of marriage*

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for reminders and general information



ALL SAINTS NEWS

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING

The Annual meeting is TODAY. Hard copies of the report are available in the Narthex. Electronic copies have been sent, as well. Thank you to those who provided some extra snacks for the morning.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12th

Which team logos will be on our table this year? Eagles? 49ers? Bengals? Chiefs? On February 12, cast your votes (you are ENCOURAGED to vote more than once in this case!). For the team you want to/think will win the Superbowl and help provide food for the folks in our community facing food scarcity daily. THEY will wind up being the TRUE winners of the Soup-er Bowl!!

OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

Your 2023 offering envelopes are available in the narthex. Be sure to pick them up today. If there is not one with your name on it, just choose a blank boc and make sure your name is on the first envelope you use.

COMPANION SYNODS

In January, our Second Mile Giving program uplifts and celebrates "Companion Synods," Lutheran Ministry in three countries with which our Sierra Pacific Taiwan, El Salvador, and Rwanda.

A Memorial Service for
Kathy Landig
will be held
on Saturday, February 4
at 2:00 p.m.

All are invited to come and
celebrate her life and the blessing
she was to those around her.

We will miss our sister in Christ,
but rejoice in the ultimate healing
of eternal life.

COOKIES FOR OUR STUDENTS

Don't forget to bring your homemade cookies and treats to the church on February 11 so they can be packed up in the care packages the women of the ELCA send each year to our college students and military. More info to come.

THIS WEEK WE HOLD IN PRAYER

Karen Kessler, Teagan, Ken Briggs,
Mike Landig, Linda McAndrew,
Trent Blake, Jackie Green, Gerrod, Jimmie,
Pr. Steve Giordano, Reiko, Nicole,
Sig Damazyn, Neyat Tesfay, Carol, James,
Donna Slining, Levi Allen,
Gina Ferretti, Donna, Doug & Barbara,
Barbie & Shortly Lewis, Augie,
Sharon, Elaine, John

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS
JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4, 2023

- TODAY:** **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**
Worship – 9:30a.m.
Annual Meeting of the Congregation
AlAnon – 7:15 p.m.
AA – 8:30 p.m.
- MONDAY:** *NMA – 7:00-9:00 p.m.*
- TUESDAY:** Office hours 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Weight Watchers – 9:00a.m.
- WEDNESDAY:** Office hours 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Choir – 7:00p.m.
- THURSDAY:** *Pizza @ All Saints – noon*
- FRIDAY:** Office hours 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- SATURDAY:** *Council Retreat – 9 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*
Memorial Service – 2:00 p.m.
AA – 8:00 p.m.
- SUNDAY:** **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**
Worship – 9:30 a.m.
AlAnon – 7:15 p.m.
AA – 8:30 p.m.

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