

SAVING GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



7th Sunday after Epiphany
Saturday, February 22, 2025 @ 3 pm
Parking Lot Radio Broadcast, FM 107.1
Sunday, February 23, 2025 @ 8:30 am & Livestream

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

OPENING HYMN

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Blue Hymnal #771

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness,
Great is thy faithfulness,
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hast provided;
Great is thy faithfulness,
Lord unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **[Refrain]**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside! **[Refrain]**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, You are always there to lead and guide us even when we don't recognize it.

Forgive us when we second guess Your wisdom and presence.

Lord Jesus, You call us to "love our enemies, bless those who curse you and pray for those who abuse you." (Luke 6::27-28)

Teach us to let go of resentment through Your grace and to give our pain to You.

Holy Spirit, through You we believe in Christ and are empowered to love others.

The things that are impossible with humans, are possible with God.

(Moment of silence for personal reflection and self-examination)

Almighty God, You lead Joseph to save the Israelites, even though his brothers were malicious and jealous of him. Teach us to trust in You and Your guidance, even when we fail to see it. It is through faith in Jesus Christ, that we've been adopted as Your own, guided in our lives and given the promise of eternal life. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to those who do truly repent and believe in Jesus Christ the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

GREETING

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

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, through Your Son, You have revealed Your love for us. Teach us to follow Christ in all we do, that we may love our enemies, bless those who curse us and pray for those abuse us, that we may know the freedom of Your forgiveness, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

PASTOR'S WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 43:3-11, 15

OT p. 39

(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God.")

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

NT p. 1051

(When Reading is concluded, the congregation responds, "Thanks be to God.")

Special Music

"There Is A Name I Love to Hear, (Oh How I Love Jesus)"

Saving Grace Choir

Director Chloe Sawall

Accompanied by Shayla Menter, Piano

Katherine Altreuter, Violin

Gospel Acclamation:

"Alleluia!"

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

(Before the Gospel is announced, the congregation says "Glory to you, O Lord!")

(After the Gospel is concluded, the congregation says, "Praise to you, O Christ!")

 SERMON

"The Reset"

 Pastor David Irgens

 RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn of the Day

"I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"

Blue Hymnal #770

"I was there to hear your boring cry, I'll be there when you are old.

I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;

In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell."

"When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;

You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,

I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun."

"In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,

I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.

When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes.

I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise."

"I was there to hear your boring cry, I'll be there when you are old.

I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin, Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer, (Sung)

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Communion Distribution, (Saturday)

Blessing and Prayer, (Saturday)

SENDING

SENDING HYMN

“In The Morning When I Rise”

Blue Hymnal #777

In the morning when I rise, In the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise, Give me Jesus.

Refrain:

**Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus.
You may have all the rest, Give me Jesus.**

Dark midnight was my cry, Dark midnight was my cry,
Dark midnight was my cry, Give me Jesus. **[Refrain]**

Just about the break of day, Just about the break of day,
Just about the break of day, Give me Jesus. **[Refrain]**

Oh, when I come to die, Oh, when I come to die,
Oh, when I come to die, Give me Jesus. **[Refrain]**

And when I want to sing, And when I want to sing,
And when I want to sing, Give me Jesus. **[Refrain]**

**Doxology, (Sung) Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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