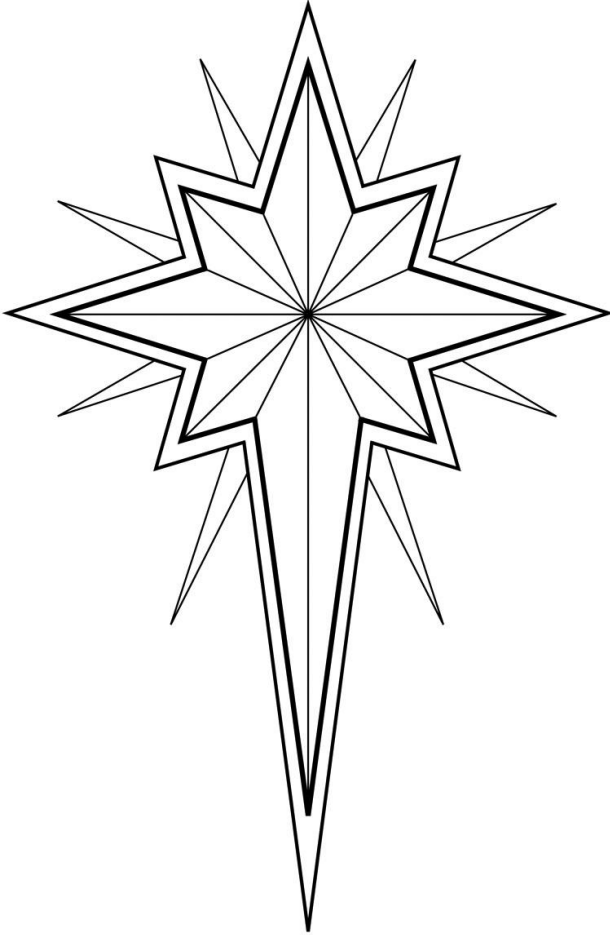


SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 18, 2026



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA  
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# **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

***EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP, SETTING 10 (PAGES 203-209)***

*The liturgy is in the front of the ELW with numbers at the bottom of the pages.  
The hymns begin in the middle of the ELW with numbers at the top of the pages.*

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Mighty God, lover of justice,

**C: you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

P: The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in ☩ Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN #303 “BRIGHTEST AND BEST OF THE STARS”**

## **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.

## **KYRIE** [PAGE 203]

✠ Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.  
We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord, make sin and shame depart.  
Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

## **CANTICLE OF PRAISE** [PAGE 204]

✠ Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.  
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:  
we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;  
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:  
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.  
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Let us pray. (*concluding...our Savior and Lord.*)

**C:** Amen.

## **READINGS**

**ISAIAH 49:1-7 | PSALM 40:1-11 | 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-9**

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION [PAGE 205]**

**♪ Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.  
Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.  
Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.**

### **GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-42**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to John, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**C:** Glory to you, O Lord.

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **YOUTH SERMON – NOISY OFFERING**

**SERMON – REV. LEAH HOLLOWAY-NILSEN**

### **HYMN #302 “AS WITH GLADNESS MEN OF OLD”**

#### **CONFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES’ CREED**

**P:** With the whole church, let us confess our 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**

P: As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home.

(*Each petition ends: P: Merciful God, C: receive our prayer.*)

P: Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray for God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. (*concluding...our Savior and Lord.*)

**C: Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

## **PREFACE** [PAGE 207]

P: It is indeed right...and join their unending hymn:

**C:        ♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
             heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

## 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.**

### COMMUNION

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table.*

*Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are available.*

**♪ O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;  
eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.**

### HYMN #336 "LAMB OF GOD"

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and  
keep you in his grace.

**C:** Amen

#### POST COMMUNION HYMN

**♪ Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. (*concluding...*Jesus Christ our Lord.)

**C: Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

P: May the Triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise ☩ bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **HYMN #301 “BRIGHT AND GLORIOUS IS THE SKY”**

## **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## **RINGING OF THE BELL**

## **POSTLUDE**

**Those to keep in prayer:** Lydia Szelag, Mallory Bousselot, Cathy Goddard, the homebound: Carol Christensen, Delores Lahann, Myrna Kay Peterson, Vera St. John, and Bus Seastrand; and those serving in the military, Andrew Grau.

**Pastor:** Rev. Leah Holloway-Nilsen

**Organist:** Jason Bousselot or Linda Whitman

**Acolyte:** David Burke

**Lector:** Eva Burke; **Next Week:** Jason Bousselot

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## **This Week At A Glance**

**Week beginning January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

Monday,  
January 19<sup>th</sup>

**February newsletter items are due  
in the church office.**

Wednesday,  
January 21<sup>st</sup>

6:00 pm Confirmation at Faith  
7:00 pm Bible Jam at Faith

Sunday,  
January 25<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am Worship at Faith  
**Annual Meeting after Worship**  
10:30 am Worship at Our Savior's  
**Annual Meeting after Worship**  
NO Sunday School



## **Announcements**

### **Gratitude**

The participation of everyone who assisted in leading services during Pastor Leah's maternity leave was greatly appreciated. It allowed us to worship together and continue our fellowship of faith.

Pastor Leah was well-prepared in organizing guest pastors, volunteers, and writing sermons.

We look forward to the new year knowing our shared experiences have made our parish stronger in service and support of each other and the community. Thank you. - **Worship Committee** -

### **Special Collection of Warm Clothing**

During the month of January, the parish will be collecting winter wear. Please bring new (or very gently used) winter coats, hats, gloves and mittens to Faith and Our Savior's. The items will be given to the Carroll Assistance Center in Wheatland for distribution to those who need something warm to wear this winter.

### **House for Rent by Our Savior's**

Do you know anyone looking for a house to rent? The house by Our Savior's will be available for rent. There is no smoking, and pets are considered on a per case basis. If you know anyone interested in renting the house, please contact a member of Our Savior's Council or Nicole in the church office.

### **Annual Meeting**

Faith's Annual Meeting and Our Savior's Annual Meeting will be held on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026 after Worship. NO Sunday School. **All confirmed members are eligible to vote, and all members are encouraged to attend the meeting of their respective congregation.**

### **Mission Quilts and Fabric Kits**

**Our parish will gather Mission Quilts and Fabric Kits for Lutheran World Relief.**

1. **Mission Quilts** provide quilts to people needing something to keep them warm or covered after a weather-related disaster or life-changing event.

Skills needed: measure and cut fabric, sew, tie layers together

2. **Fabric Kits** provide fabric and thread to people who may then create items to sell as a way to make a living.

Skills needed: purchase fabric in required measurements, purchase thread

An information sheet which provides specific details for each item is available at both churches. If you have questions, please contact

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## Prayers of Intercession

Each Sunday when we gather for worship we have time of intercessory prayer. While this is an important part of our worship, we may not always know why we do it or what it means. Our prayers of intercession are, in short, asking God to be God to act in this world as God has promised us God will move and act in the world. These prayers are meant to be timely to current happenings at local, national, and global levels.

The Worship Committee and Pastor Leah have heard the request for members of our parish to offer up their own intercessions. This certainly fits in line with the meaning behind our prayers of intercession, because while we try to address the many things happening in our lives and world, we certainly cannot perfectly address them all. Here is how Worship Committee and Pastor Leah plan to honor this request...

- 1) Please submit in writing your prayer petition to Pastor Leah by the Wednesday preceding the upcoming Sunday.
- 2) Please be brief. 1-3 sentences will suffice.
- 3) Pastor Leah may edit or reject your petition. We are a parish filled with people of diverse opinions and experiences, and we hope our prayers reflect this reality. Pastor Leah will communicate any suggested edits, and the petition will not be prayed without full agreement from the writer and Pastor Leah.
- 4) We will start asking for petitions from members in January, with plans to include them in the prayers of intercession in February.
- 5) Honoring deaths within and connected to our community will still be prayed in the final petition where we give thanks to God for all those saints who have died.

The Worship Committee and Pastor Leah appreciate hearing from our parish on ways to enhance our communal worship life together. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to Pastor Leah or a member of the Worship Committee.

### **Pastor Leah and the Worship Committee**

**Faith:** Terri Bousselot, Brittany Hoffmann, Andrea Shelton

**Our Savior's:** Dan Burke, Jason Bousselot, Deb Detlefs, Linda Whitman