



**WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN!** Thank you for joining us as we worship of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, *please* place your cell phones on mute for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here!

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

We Serve Today:

Reader: Priscilla Alonzo Offering:

Communion: Jeanne Keyser, Geri McGary Greeter: Jean Mennenga

We Serve Next Sunday:

Reader: Peggy Sue Dygert Offering: Communion: Bev Cisco, Bubbles, Peggy Sue Dygert Greeter:

#### SERVICE OF THE WORD

GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME: Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements

# CONFESSIONAL PRAYER - congregational responses in BOLD

Pastor: Lord, we approach your altar with love for You and our concern for the price you paid for us on the cross. We realize the difficulties that we face, and we confess the poor job we have done with our response to your sacrifice. For that, dear Lord, we make our confession to you this day.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

#### ABSOLUTION

<u>Pastor</u>: As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus on His cross, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I bring you the Good News. Having made a go confession our sins have been forgiven in the name of the, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus we pray. **Alleluia and Amen**.

ENTRANCE HYMN: "Joy to the World" # 92

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### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):

Alleluia. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us. Alleluia and Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:**

Isaiah 63:7-9 New Revised Standard Version

- <sup>7</sup> I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord, the praiseworthy acts of the Lord, because of all that the Lord has done for us, and the great favor to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his steadfast love.
- <sup>8</sup> For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely"; and he became their savior<sup>9</sup> in all their distress.

It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

## Psalm 148 New Revised Standard Version (Recited whole verse by whole verse – Congregation in **Bold**)

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
- <sup>2</sup> Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!
- <sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!
- <sup>4</sup> Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
- <sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.
- <sup>6</sup> He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.
- <sup>7</sup> Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,
- 8 fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!
- <sup>9</sup> Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
- <sup>10</sup> Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
- 12 Young men and women alike, old and young together!
- <sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

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<sup>14</sup> He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the Lord!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen

### **EPISTLE LESSON:** Hebrews 2:10-18 New Revised Standard Version

- <sup>10</sup> It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
- <sup>11</sup> For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters,
- <sup>12</sup> saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."
- <sup>13</sup> And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Here am I and the children whom God has given me."
- <sup>14</sup> Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,
- <sup>15</sup> and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death.
- <sup>16</sup> For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham.
- <sup>17</sup> Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people.
- <sup>18</sup> Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Please rise for the singing of the Alleluia.

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

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- <sup>13</sup> Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him."
- <sup>14</sup> Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt,
- <sup>15</sup> and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."
- <sup>16</sup> When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men.
- <sup>17</sup> Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah:
- <sup>18</sup> "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."
- <sup>19</sup> When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said,
- <sup>20</sup> "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead."
- <sup>21</sup> Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel.
- <sup>22</sup> But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee.
- <sup>23</sup> There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazarene."

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you oh Christ!

SERMON - Pastor Tony Alonzo M.div

SERMON HYMN: "Go Tell It on the Mountain" #132

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OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; [God of God], Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. "Who, for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

"And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father [and the Son]; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen."

THE OFFERING: Offertory - In The Bleak Mid Winter Dean Carson

As the offering is brought forward, we will sing the Doxology.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below, Praise him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF PRAISE: Let us Pray:  $(Prayer\ Response)\ Lord\ in\ your\ Mercy$ : Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE, WORDS OF INSTITUTION, THE DISTRIBUTION, THE COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: "Blessed Assurance" #362

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#### THE AARONIC BENEDICTION & Let There Be Peace On Earth

### Congregational Song, Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God as our father
Brothers all are we
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me.

#### THE DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God

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Bible Study 2: Wednesdays

10 A.M. At OSLC