# Our Saviour

## Lutheran Church



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#### **~** GATHERING **∲**

#### Gathering Song Although I Speak with Angel's Tongue ELW 644

Although I speak with angel's tongue, My faith, my knowledge all surpass, But have no love, my gifts are vain As clanging gong or blaring brass.

For love is patient, love is kind, And never vain with boasting pride; Love bears all things, all things endures. All things must end; love will abide.

For now we peer at darkened glass; Our visions end; our tongues all cease. In part we know, in part now see: Then we will see love face to face.

The gifts are many, the Body one, And into one are all baptized. Beloved, share one heart, one mind, One hope, one faith, one love in Christ.

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
  - Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what 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.

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

#### **Sharing the Peace**

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

#### Prayer of the Day

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### Amen.

#### ₩ WORD %

#### Children's Message

Children come forward as we sing "This Little Light of Mine".

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

A reading from Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn and her salvation like a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your vindication and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.

and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

<sup>4</sup>You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her
and your land Married,
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.

<sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 36:5-10

<sup>5</sup> Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

<sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;

you save humankind and animals, O Lord.

<sup>7</sup>How priceless is your love, O God! All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

<sup>8</sup>They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.

<sup>9</sup> For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.

<sup>10</sup> Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.

#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

L A reading from 1 Corinthians

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. <sup>2</sup> You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup> Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says

"Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

#### C Thanks be to God.

Gospel: John 2:1-11

P The holy gospel according to Saint John.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Narrator: Three days later, they all went to celebrate a wedding feast in Cana of Galilee. Mary, the mother of Jesus, was invited <sup>2</sup> together with Him and His disciples. <sup>3</sup> While they were celebrating, the wine ran out; and Jesus' mother hurried over to her son.

**Mary:** The host stands on the brink of embarrassment; there are many guests, and there is no more wine.

**Jesus:** <sup>4</sup> Dear woman, is it our problem *they miscalculated when buying wine and inviting guests*? My time has not arrived.

Narrator: <sup>5</sup> But she turned to the servants.

Mary: Do whatever my son tells you.

Narrator: 6 In that area were six *massive* stone water pots that could each hold 20 to 30 gallons. [a] They were typically used for Jewish purification rites. 7 Jesus' instructions were clear:

**Jesus:** Fill each water pot with water until it's ready to spill over the top; 8 then fill a cup, and deliver it to the headwaiter.

**Narrator:** They did exactly as they were instructed. <sup>9</sup> After tasting the water that had become wine, the headwaiter couldn't figure out where such wine came from (even though the servants knew), and he called over the bridegroom *in amazement*.

**Headwaiter:** <sup>10</sup> This wine is delectable. Why would you save the most exquisite fruit of the vine? A host would generally serve the good wine first and, when his inebriated guests don't notice or care, he would serve the inferior wine. You have held back the best for last.

Narrator: <sup>11</sup> Jesus performed this miracle, the first of His signs, in Cana of Galilee. *They did not know how this happened*; but when the disciples *and the servants* witnessed this miracle, their faith blossomed.

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Song of the Day All Are Welcome ELW 641

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

#### Refrain:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a home where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,

Where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

#### (Refrain)

Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;
A banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

## (Refrain)

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:

(Refrain)

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
(Refrain)

### Prayers of the People

P Beloved, let us lift prayers to our friend, Jesus, either out loud or in silence. Before and after we pray, we sing together.

Prayer Song Silent Night Verse 4

Silent night, holy night; Wondrous star, lend thy light. With the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King; Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

#### The prayers conclude with:

- P Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen.

The Prayer Song is repeated at the conclusion of our prayers.

#### ₩ MEAL \$>

#### **Sharing Our Gifts**

Let us offer back to God what God has first given us: ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of his gracious love.

Our offerings support the work of the church here and around the world. Please pass the baskets from front to back. You may also make an offering online at www.oslc-warrenton.org by clicking the "DONATE" tab on the homepage. Thank you!

#### Offertory

## What Feast of Love

**ELW 487, Verse 2** 

What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing!
The Word of God is given!

#### Offering Prayer

- L Let us pray together.
- C Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### Dialogue

- 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.

#### Thanksgiving at the Table

- P Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
- Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.
- 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.
- Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.
- By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.
- Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### Lord's Prayer

- P Let us pray as our Savior taught us.
- C 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.

#### **Sharing Holy Communion**

All baptized Christians are invited to share Christ's Body. If you wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward and stand or kneel around the altar.

#### Communion Hymn Your Love O Lord

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens.
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky.
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains.
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide.

**Refrain:** I will lift my voice to worship You, my King. I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings. (repeat song, repeat Refrain)

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens. Your faithfulness stretches to the sky.

#### **Prayer After Communion**

L Let us pray.

Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

#### **≈** SENDING **∞**

#### **Blessing**

- L Almighty God, Father, Son + and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### Sending Song Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

**ELW807** 

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love, teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer:
"Hither by thy help I've come";
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wand'ring from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

### Dismissal

- L Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Thanksgiving at the Table: With One Voice