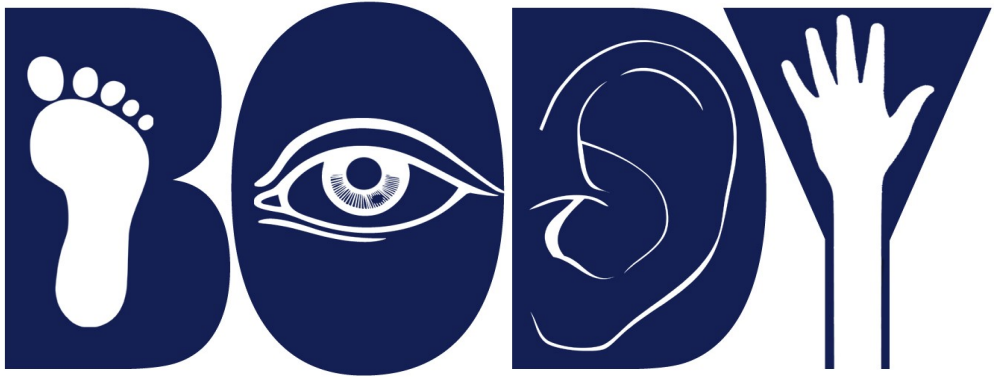


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1 Corinthians 12:27, NRSV

6 p.m. Sat., Jan. 23 & 8:15 a.m. Sun., Jan. 23, 2022
Sermon: "No 'Lone Ranger' Christians"
1 Corinthians 12:12-21,26-27



St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School

- a Family to Whom You Belong -

Our Mission is to: **Make More & Better Disciples**

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

(8:15 a.m. Sun., Jan. 23; 10:45 a.m. Sun., Jan 23, 2022)

Servants of God's House

Pastor: Rev. Kenny Hsu **DCE :** Grace Wolfgram

Organists: 6 p.m. Sat., Joyce Seymour; 8:15 a.m. Sun., Doris Hill

Usher: Nick Gunn

Missionaries: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump, Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf,
Rev. Paul Flo, Rev. Charles Cortwright

Readers: 6 p.m. Marlis Hilden; 8:15 a.m. Sun. Doug Lehr

WELCOME! We are glad that you are here worshipping God with us. We pray for God's blessings to you and invite you to come back again soon.

AS WE GATHER "Each one of us comes into God's house individually, from different backgrounds, families, situations, experiences, challenges, and joys. But here, in God's house, something happens that makes us not just a collection of individuals but joined together as one person, one Body. This unity happens because we have been gathered by one Baptism in one faith in one Lord, our God whose greatness has been shown in our hearts and to the world in His Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Here our Lord speaks, and we listen. And in the listening, we are moved to repentance and faith, true repentance of heart over our sins and true faith that knows that the Scriptures, the Word of God, are fulfilled in the Lord Jesus Christ. May true joy motivate our praise of God here and all our days as God's people scattered throughout the world.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Lord God, Your Word clearly shows Your love for the world in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Give to us both heartfelt repentance and faith that we may rejoice together and praise Your goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Worship Service

(The congregation is invited to respond with the words written in **bold**.)

The Ringing of the Bells

The Wave of Fellowship

School Choir Tour (8:15 a.m. service)

Hymn of Invocation "O Christ, Our True and Only Light"

LSB 839

(stand as you are able for the last verse)

(The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.)

The Invocation and Opening Sentences

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

C: For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,

P: but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

C: Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

Confession Absolution

P: Let us confess our sins to God, our merciful Father.

C: To You, O God, we confess that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and deeds, and also by the good that we have failed to do. Our love for You and for our neighbors has been weak or even dead. By Your Law, You reveal the judgment we rightly deserve. Because Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, has fulfilled Your Law on our behalf, we beg Your forgiveness and grace to restore us to life with You in the fellowship of all believers. Amen.

P: Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ, our Lord! In the stead and by the command of our Savior, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day

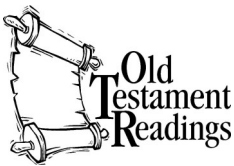
P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10 (Ezra reads the Law.)



¹ All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel.

² So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and

women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. ³ And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.

⁵ And Ezra opened the book in the

sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. ⁶And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

⁸They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. ⁹And Nehemiah, who was the

governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual We praise God together in the words of the Gradual.

C: Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts!

The Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 12:12–31a (One Body with many members)



¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸But as it is, God

arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²²On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer

together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. ²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and

various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand as you are able)

The Alleluia and the Verse *Luke 4:18a*

C: Alleluia. Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor. Alleluia. Alleluia.

(Please remain standing for the Gospel and the Creed)

The Holy Gospel *Luke 4:16–30* (Jesus rejected at Nazareth)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 4th chapter.

C: Glory be to You, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

¹⁶And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²And all spoke

well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?”

²³And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Physician, heal yourself.’ What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.” ²⁴And he said, “Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow.

²⁷And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath.

²⁹And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰But passing through their midst, he went away.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

(on the back cover of the hymnal)

(Please be seated)

The Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

"The Church's One Foundation"

LSB 644

TODAY'S SERMON  "No 'Lone Ranger' Christians"
1 Corinthians 12:12-21,26-27

Offering of God's People to their Beloved Savior



We honor God with the gifts He has given to us.
St. Paul's members have pledged to support our ministry in their tithes and offerings. Please place your offerings in the box upfront.
To our guest: Thank you for joining us today and please do not feel that you are obligated to participate. We invite you to come back again.

Please put your **Welcome Card** in the box at the back of the church.

2 Corinthians 9:12—For the ministry of this service (giving) is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

Offertory Hymn

"Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray"

LSB 623 vs.1,3,5

(stand as you are able)



PRAYERS
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P: Lord God, we give You thanks that You have gathered us together from our solitary lives to be a united family in the forgiveness of our sins. We thank You for Your wonderful grace and mercy, which You have revealed to us and to the whole world in Your Son, Jesus Christ. As we have faithfully heard Your mighty Word this day, cause our hearts to rejoice and respond in glad praise to You. Lord, in Your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Grant unity and blessing to Your whole Church on earth. Give her grace and power to faithfully proclaim Your perfect Law and glorious Gospel. Bless all preachers of Your Word and those who serve You and the world in their various vocations. Grant that many be drawn by Your Spirit to join us in the fellowship of all the saints. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Lord, graciously bless, protect, and defend our nation, its elected leaders, and especially those who serve bravely in the military and all the agencies that help and protect us. Bind all citizens of our country in a common allegiance and obedience to Your will and the rule of law. Bless all who care for the poor, the downtrodden, and the lonely. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Today, as we celebrate the beginning of Lutheran Schools Week, we thank You for the privilege and joy of teaching children to know Jesus and Your Word. We ask Your continuous blessings and guidance on all who are part of our school ministry: Board of Education, our Principal, Mrs. Alyce Strong Davis, our teachers, Lindsey Parker, Deb Chelew, Pam Zirpel, Suzy Awe, Bethamy Lewis, Melina Vasquez, Karen Nelson and Cassandra Hager and all other staff and volunteers, that they would use the talents given by You to Make More and Better Disciples, Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: As Your Son came to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, so bring comfort and healing to all who are sick or have any other adversity, *especially* Richard Hinrichsen, Carolyn Montagne, Dana Montagne. We continue to ask for healing for those who have COVID and those who are weak and dealing with ongoing sicknesses: Amber Gilmore, Kelly Winegar, Helen Eriksen, Verlie Yockey, Bernie Attema, Mary Kay Holiday, Natalie Powell, Deb Chellew, Bethamy Lewis and Suzy Awe. Grant Your help and blessing to all who minister to them in any need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We remember those who have shared the faith with us and now have departed this earthly life, especially those whose earthly lives came to an end: Doug Siefker, Wanda Petersen and Rev. Charles Horkey. Direct our ways that we complete our journey of life in faith with divine wisdom to direct us. At the end of our days, bring us to rejoice together eternally with saints and angels and all the company of heaven in light everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: For those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries that they remain faithful to your Word including; Dustin Brown, Brenda Budzinski, Kenneth Windle, Linda Greene, Cassandra Porter, Brandon Porter, Brittany Dodds, Reagan Granstrom, Tracy Yingst, and Carol Draube, Lord in Your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer

P: Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

The Closing Hymn

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

LSB 918

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Colossians 1:15-20