



**Our Saviour**  
Lutheran Church

**Order of Worship**  
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany  
Sunday, February 04, 10:30 A.M

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# UNLEASHED



**THE KEYS OF CHRISTIAN FREEDOM**

A SERMON SERIES ON GALATIANS

## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **MEDITATION**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*Blessed be the holy Trinity (+), one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. Amen.*

*Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.*

**God, our rock and refuge, we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you fully. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.**

*The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of (+) Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved. Amen.*

## **GATHERING SONG - Christ is Made the Sure Foundation ELW 645**

### **THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

*People: **And also with you.***

### **KYRIE**

*Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

*People: **Lord, have mercy.***

*Pastor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*

*People: **Lord, have mercy.***

*Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*

*People: **Lord, have mercy.***

*Pastor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*

*People: **Lord, have mercy.***

*Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*

*People: **Amen. Amen.***

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

## **THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Pastor:* Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE FIRST READING: Galatians 5:1-11**

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

Listen! I, Paul, am telling you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no benefit to you. Once again I testify to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obliged to obey the entire law. You who want to be justified by the law have cut yourselves off from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. For through the Spirit, by faith, we eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision counts for anything; the only thing that counts is faith working through love.

You were running well; who prevented you from obeying the truth? Such persuasion does not come from the one who calls you. A little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough. I am confident about you in the Lord that you will not think otherwise. But whoever it is that is confusing you will pay the penalty. But my friends, why am I still being persecuted if I am still preaching circumcision? In that case the offence of the cross has been removed.

Here ends the reading. Word of God, Word of Life

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## **THE PSALM: 147:1-11** (*Read responsively by half verse.*)

Praise the Lord!

**How good it is to sing praises to our God;**

**for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.**

The Lord builds up Jerusalem;

**he gathers the outcasts of Israel.**

He heals the broken-hearted,

**and binds up their wounds.**

He determines the number of the stars;

**he gives to all of them their names.**

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

**his understanding is beyond measure.**

The Lord lifts up the downtrodden;

**he casts the wicked to the ground.**

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;

**make melody to our God on the lyre.**

He covers the heavens with clouds,

**prepares rain for the earth,  
makes grass grow on the hills.**

He gives to the animals their food,

**and to the young ravens when they cry.**

His delight is not in the strength of the horse,

**nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;**

but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,

**in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

## **THE CHILDREN'S SERMON - Heather Lussier**

### **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – Arise, Your Light Has Come ELW 314 v. 1**

*Arise, your light has come! The Spirit's call obey; show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today.*

### **THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1:29-39**

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who

were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

*Pastor:* The Gospel of the Lord

*People:* **Praise to you, O Christ**

**THE SERMON:** Unleashed: The Keys of Christian Freedom

*Stand Firm! Live Free!*

Pastor Frank Waugh

**THE HYMN OF THE DAY - Amazing Grace ELW 779**

**PROFESSION OF 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.**

**THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**THE PEACE**

**THE OFFERING**

**THE OFFERING RESPONSE - Praise and Thanksgiving ELW 689**

*Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.*

## **THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Pastor:* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Pastor:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

## **THE PREFACE** (*Sung by Pastor*)

## **THE SANCTUS**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might, heaven 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.**

## **THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **THE 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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

## **COMMUNION SONGS**

### **Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## **THE COMMUNION PRAYER**

**Giver of every gift, we are Christ's body, sustained by the Real Presence of Christ given in His body and blood, received in, under and through bread and wine. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, (+) bless you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **THE SENDING SONG - Just As I Am, Without One Plea ELW 592**

## **THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.  
**Amen.**

## **POSTLUDE**