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EPIPHANY 7

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**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** God gathers us through Word and Sacrament to celebrate God's presence and to receive God's gift of grace. God has made us his people through our baptism and keeps us close to him through the preaching of the word and God's presence in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. We give thanks today for the gift of faith God has planted in us, and we depart to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

We extend a special **welcome** to those who are our guests. May God bless this time of worship for you as we are blessed by your presence. If you have no church home we invite you to join with us and consider Our Savior's as your church home. If you are not baptized and would like to talk about baptism as part of your faith journey, please speak with one of the pastors.

**OFFERING:** No offering is collected during our worship this day; however, we do welcome your support of our ministries and thank you for your gifts. Together we make a difference in the lives of others.

Offering plates are available as you leave the sanctuary. For online giving go to the church website: [oursaviorswestsalem.org/giving](http://oursaviorswestsalem.org/giving). Or text 608-471-7267.

# Order of Worship

\*Please stand as you are able

## Welcome

**Meditation:** Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40

<sup>1</sup>Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup>For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

<sup>3</sup>Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

<sup>4</sup>Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart's desire.

<sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD, and see what God will do.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.

<sup>7</sup>Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

<sup>8</sup>Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.

<sup>9</sup>For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

<sup>10</sup>In a little while the wicked shall be no more; even if you search out their place, they will not be there.

<sup>11</sup>But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

<sup>39</sup>But the deliverance of the righteous comes from you, O LORD; you are their stronghold in time of trouble.

<sup>40</sup>You, O LORD, will help them and rescue them; you will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because in you they seek refuge.

## **\*Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. **Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news: In Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **Amen.**

## **\*Prayer of the Day**

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for

you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*Gospel** Luke 6:27-38

*Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders. Living in harmony with God's intent brings the reward of overflowing blessing.*

Jesus said: <sup>27</sup>“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. <sup>31</sup>Do to others as you would have them do to you. <sup>32</sup>“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup>If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. <sup>34</sup>If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. <sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. <sup>37</sup>“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

# Sermon

## \*Hymn "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"



1 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood  
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you glad - ly, free - ly,  
3 Won - drous hon - or you have giv - en to our hum - blest  
4 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood



as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -  
of your own. With the sun - shine of your good - ness melt our  
char - i - ty in your own mys - te - rious sen - tence, "You have  
as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -



men - dous sac - ri - fice; and with that have free - ly giv - en  
thank - less hearts of stone till our cold and self - ish na - tures,  
done it all to me." Na - ked, sick, in pris - on, hun - gry—  
men - dous sac - ri - fice. Give us faith to trust you bold - ly,



bles - sings count - less as the sand to the un - thank - ful  
warmed by you, at length be - lieve that more hap - py  
in the least, your face we view, say - ing by your  
hope, to stay our souls on you: but, oh, best of



and the e - vil with your own un - spar - ing hand.  
and more bless - ed 'tis to give than to re - ceive.  
poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you."  
all your grac - es, with your love our love re - new.

## **\*Apostles Creed**

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**

P: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

*A brief silence.*

*(Sunday worship - after a brief silence ... The **congregation** is invited to read aloud individually the prayer petitions as the spirit moves them. If more than one person reads the petition, all the better!)*

You teach us to love our neighbors and enemies alike. Encourage your church to follow the leading of your love, especially when it is risky or difficult. Help us to show mercy just as we have first received mercy. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Nurture fields that lie dormant, resting until it is time to bloom again. Bless farmers and all who cultivate fields and urban gardens. Give favorable weather for planting. Bring forth from buried seed an abundant harvest, and guard against famine and disease. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Look upon our world with mercy, that we delight in an abundance of peace. Protect all whose lives are marred by war and civil unrest. Release political prisoners and amplify the voices that challenge us to seek forgiveness and pursue nonviolence. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your people cry out for mercy. Console hearts that long for forgiveness. Mend broken relationships. Heal bodies that suffer chronic pain or illness. Strengthen and deliver all whose spirits are troubled. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

You bind us together into one family. Teach us to forgive one another and to resolve conflicts with humility and patience. Bless families of all shapes and sizes, and show love to those who are lonely or grieving. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Watch over your servants that they may be faithful disciples. Be with our confirmation students, especially Ethan, Briauna, and Emily as they seek to grow in their discipleship, and guide their families that together they may reflect your love and grace. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We praise you for the saints who have inherited the fullness of your kingdom. As you have raised them to imperishable and eternal life, sustain us in faith by the promise of resurrection. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

P: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

### **\*Communion Liturgy**

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## **\*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**

Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

*HOLY COMMUNION All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, bringing to us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of eternal life, are welcome to gather at the Lord's Table. Younger children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.*

*Both wine and grape juice are available – grape juice glasses are purple. Gluten free wafers are also available.*

## **Distribution**

### **\*Post Communion Prayer**

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn** "All Creatures, Worship God Most High!"  
(verses 1,4,6)

All creatures, worship God most high!  
Sound ev'ry voice in earth and sky: Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

Sing, brother sun, in splendor bright;  
sing, sister moon and stars of night:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All who for love of God forgive,  
all who in pain and sorrow grieve: Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

Christ bears your burdens and your fears;  
still make your song amid the tears:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O sisters, brothers, take your part,  
and worship God with humble heart: Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

All creatures, bless the Father, Son,  
and Holy Spirit, Three in One:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**\*Blessing**

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,  
who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,  
bless your going out and your coming in, today and  
forever. Amen.

**\*Dismissal**

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good  
news.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **COME AND WORSHIP:**

Join us for worship on Saturdays at 6 PM and Sundays at 8 AM and 10:30 AM.

**USHERS NEEDED:** Go to SignUpGenius on the church website to volunteer.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** at 9:15 AM  
for PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Sunday, February 20  
for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Sunday, February 27

## **CONFIRMATION MINISTRY:**

February 23  
6 PM – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class  
6 PM – 7&8 Electives

**NEW MEMBERS / EVENING STUDY** - Just what does it mean to be Lutheran? Join us on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm - February 22 and March 1 & 8 to find out. Pastor Jon will lead a four-session study on faith and life as a Lutheran. Whether you're interested in becoming a new member or you just want to explore our faith, have fun along the way, and make new connections, we'd love to have you.

## **ASH WEDNESDAY** - March 2

- 7:30 - 8:45 am - drive through ashes and Holy Communion in the parking lot. Bring your elements, receive ashes and short devotions - and stay in your warm car.
- 6 pm – worship in the sanctuary with ashes and Holy Communion - music, message, and a souvenir to take home!

Check out the February newsletter ([www.oursaviorswestsalem.org](http://www.oursaviorswestsalem.org)) to find out more ...

**Remember – masks are required when you are in the building. Thank you!**

