



# **All Saints Lutheran Church**

Everyone is Welcome here! Seriously, Everyone!

## **Fifth Sunday After Epiphany**

February 8, 2026 at 9:30 am

Wales, WI

**Welcome to Worship! *Congregational Responses will be in Bold.***

**PRELUDE**

Judy Knoernschild

**WELCOME & PRAYER REQUESTS**

**OPENING HYMN**           **“Gather Us In”**

**#532 vs 1,3,4**

**LITANY**

P: If the human body, body of blood and muscle, is to live, it needs salt.

**C: If the body of Christ, body of peace and justice, is to live, it needs us!**

P: If the earthly creation, bustling and blooming, is to flourish, it needs the sun's light.

**C: If the new creation we are in Christ is to flourish, it needs the Spirit's light!**

P: Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world.

**C: Our faith, our love, our hope — essential as salt and light.**

P: But if salt isn't salty?

**C: It isn't what it's meant to be.**

P: And if a light doesn't shine?

**C: It isn't what it's meant to be.**

P: Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world. Briny and bright, we are God's faithful people.

**C: We shall be who we are meant to be in Christ: a welcoming oasis, a compassionate community, a justice-making people, giving glory to God!**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**FIRST READING****Isaiah 58:1-9a**

<sup>1</sup> Shout out; do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup> Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they want God on their side. <sup>3</sup> “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup> You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup> Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

<sup>6</sup> Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

<sup>7</sup> Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? <sup>8</sup> Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9a</sup> Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, “Here I am.

<sup>9b</sup> If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup> if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup> The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup> Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

**Psalm****27:1,4-9 (Read Responsively)**

P: <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God’s commandments!

- C:** <sup>2</sup> **Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**
- P: <sup>3</sup> Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.
- C:** <sup>4</sup> **Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**
- P: <sup>5</sup> It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.
- C:** <sup>6</sup> **For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**
- P: <sup>7</sup> They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.
- C:** <sup>8</sup> **Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**
- P: <sup>9</sup> They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- C:** <sup>10</sup> **The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.**

## **Gospel**

### **Matthew 5:13-20**

[Jesus said:] <sup>13</sup> “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

<sup>14</sup> “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup> People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

<sup>17</sup> “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup> For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until

all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup> Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup> For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

### **MESSAGE**

Pastor Jennifer Rose

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      “This Little Light of Mine”

**#677**

### **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 OF THE PEOPLE**

*Each prayer petition will end with:*

**P:** Merciful God,

**C:** **receive our prayer.**

*The prayers will end with:*

**P:** Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God’s loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior.

**C:** **Amen**

## **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

*We encourage you to share God's peace however you are comfortable. Handshakes, high-5's, fist bumps, peace signs, and waves are all appropriate.*

## **OFFERING**

The offering is an act of worship. We offer a portion of what God has blessed us with for the purpose of doing God's work in the world through the church. You can donate via collection plate, by scanning the QR Code, or Texting to Give at 262-233-1776.



## **POST OFFERING CANTICLE**

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **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**

*This is a table of grace where all are welcome! Please come forward to receive Holy Communion. For those of you who are with us online, please find some sort of bread & wine/juice at home to use & share during Communion. Feel free to say to one another, "The body and blood of Christ given and shed for you."*

<b>COMMUNION HYMN</b>	<b>“Lamb of God”</b>	<b>#195</b>
<b>COMMUNION HYMN</b>	<b>“Lord Whose Love in Humble Service”</b>	<b>#712</b>
<b>COMMUNION HYMN</b>	<b>“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”</b>	<b>#742</b>

### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

**P:** May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise bless you now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<b>CLOSING HYMN</b>	<b>“We are Marching in the Light”</b>	<b>#866</b>
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### **Sending**

**P:** Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.

**C:** Thanks Be to God.

### **POSTLUDE**

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***Thank you for joining us for worship this Sunday!***



Worship Participants	February 8 <sup>th</sup>	February 15 <sup>th</sup>
<i>Reader</i>	Bethanne Cochenet	Nansi Hawkins
<i>Communion Servers</i>	Pam and Rick Gasper	Nansi Hawkins and Joanne Bartelt
<i>Communion Prep</i>	Brenda Calhoun	Joanne Bartelt
<i>Greeters</i>	Joanne Dudkiewicz	Bethanne Cochenet
<i>Coffee Hosting</i>	Carol and Gary Renner	Chuck and Ellen Gallagher
<i>Ushers</i>	Jim and Laura Dralle	G. Zimmerman and J. Dudkiewicz

[To sign up for Greeters and Readers, you can scan the QR Code.](#)

Coffee Hosts can sign up in the kitchen.

Ushers are assigned by Greg Cholka.



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*All Saints Lutheran Church is a Reconciled in Christ Congregation.*

*We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture,*

*every sexual orientation and gender identity,*

*any socio-economic status and every ability and challenge.*

*We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.*



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