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Singing Through the Church Seasons
Sunday, December 31, 2023
Worship 9:00 am

Throughout the service, where you find an asterisk () you are invited to stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

OPENING PRAYER *

THE SEASON OF ADVENT

Explanation

Prayer

Reading: Luke 1:26-38

Hymn* *Comfort, Comfort, Now My People* Red #256

THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

Explanation

Prayer

Reading: Luke 2:1-7

Hymn* *Joy to the World* Red #267

THE SEASON OF EPIPHANY

Explanation

Prayer

Reading: Matthew 2:1-12; Mark 9:2-9

Hymn* *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise* Red #310

THE SEASON OF LENT

Explanation

Prayer

Reading: Mark 1:9-15

Hymn* *The Glory of These Forty Days* Red #320

THE SEASON OF EASTER

Explanation

Prayer

Reading: Mark 15:25-37; Mark 16:1-8

Hymn* *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* Red #365

SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST

Explanation

Prayer

Reading: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Hymn* *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind* Red #400

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *

See Celebrate

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heav'nly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION*

LORD'S PRAYER*

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*Lamb of God**

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DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER*

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ENDTIME

Explanation

Prayer

Reading: Mark 13:24-37

Blessing for the New Year

Hymn * *Wake, Awake for Night is Flying*

Red #436

DISMISSAL *

POSTLUDE

Help us keep an updated prayer list. *If you have placed an individual on our prayer list, please remember to notify the office when that individual can be removed. Thank you.*

Dave Wolf, Abby Keith, Anneke Fleming, Larry Wilt, Marianne McCann, Nedda Pollock family, Betty Nickle, Carol Gerig, Robin Walker (friend of Margo Whittaker), Linda Freed, Betty Hammell, Jason Ziegler (friend of T.J. Johnson), Denise Calamia (friend of Sue DeArmitt), Malane Digon, Pastor John Schaertel, Miriam Reinard, Larry Wilt, Sue Kistler (friend of Andrea Faber), Patsy Bauman, Dottie Koppenhaver, Tracy Burigana (Jesse's father), George Schreffler, John Piazza (Dawne Veet's co-worker), Katherine Keister (friend of Nancy Pinko), Tina Stark (friend of Linda Schreier), Eileen Cera (friend of Linda Freed), John Digon (Malane Digon's brother-in-law), Sara Dooley (Logan family member), Kaden Stevenson (relative of Otis Martin), Jacqueline Neil (Brad's mother), Nancy Staab (Joan Bateman's sister), Patti Spirk (Logan family friend), Janice Mixell (Jesse Burigana's grandmother), Fran & Kitty Kuntz (family of Lauralee Kunz), Tommy Weldon, Scott Schneider (Herb Logan's co-worker), Joyce Hrestack (Joel Hain's ex-wife), Yolanda Barron, Linda Freed, Liam Brotherton, Grace & Leroy MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's parents), Mike Boyer (friend of Buriganas), Richard Walker (friend of Margo Whittaker), Deb Nickle (Betty Nickle's daughter-in-law), Marion Tosheff, Mary Louise Shuler, MaryPat & Aaron MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's family members), Todd MacMurtie (Hope Bowling's nephew), Lisa Tosheff (Marion's daughter-in-law), Russ Kolacek (Tom Snyder's son-in-law), Tiffany Crosby, Annabelle Paul, Cheryl Digon (Malane Digon's daughter-in-law), Betty Giovaninello (friend of Linda Schreier), Sondra Andrews (Bob & Jean Lisse's daughter), Barbara Hammell (Betty's daughter), Bishop Dunlop.

Pray for our military, especially Ian Bowling, Robert McCann, Jason Nunez, Maxwell Reilly, Myles Reilly, & George Schreffler, III.

Pray for our shut-ins, especially Shirley Kaltreider, Dottie Koppenhaver, Jean Lisse, Miriam Reinard, Ed Seneca, Tom Snyder.

Prayers of remembrance for Gerald "Gerry" Gaetske, Lisa Neil's uncle, and condolences to the Neil family.

Our Saviour Mission Statement

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, a caring congregation dedicated to the word of Christ welcomes all people to worship and grow with us as we share His love and salvation with our neighbors, our children and ourselves.

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOUR TODAY

- **Welcome pads are on the pews** at the center aisle; please sign and pass to your neighbor. Please include any changes.
- Please put your cell phones on quiet mode.

The bulletins today are sponsored in memory of her father, John Farling by Deb Flage.

ASSISTING TODAY

9:00 am	Reader	Hope Bowling
	Ushers	Kathy & Bill Sheetz
	Communion Assistants	Jeanette & Herb Logan
	Counters	Neil/Youngblood family

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024

9:00 am	Reader	Dave Wolf
	Ushers	Donna Miller, Dawne Veet
	Communion Assistants	Alice & Jim Lubrecht
	Counters	Herb Logan, Nadine & Otis Martin

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today	9:00 am	Worship
Monday, January 1		New Years Day - office closed
Saturday, January 6	10:00 am	Bible Study here @OSL
Sunday, January 7	9:00 am	Worship w/Children's Sunday School 1 st Sunday Social Family Promise Host Week begins

In Your Mailbox Today

For those who do not have email, your January newsletter is now in your mailbox.

Also, your 2024 contribution envelopes are now in your mailbox.

Please do not use your new envelopes until **next** Sunday (the 1st Sunday January) and please remember to **discard any unused 2023 envelopes**.

This is important so that your contributions are recorded correctly.

Please note that the envelope number will change for some families and other families will retain their current number for 2024.

2023 End of Year Giving

Please have your end of year offering in by **TODAY, December 31st**, in order for it to be credited to your 2023 giving. Thank you!

Congregation Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held after worship on Sunday, January 21st. A quorum of 30 voting members is needed to conduct this meeting, so please make every effort to attend.

Attention All Committee Chairs

In advance of our congregational meeting on January 21st, please start preparing your annual reports for 2023. All reports are due into the office no later than **Friday, January 12th**. Submission via e-mail is preferred. Thank you.

Sponsorship of Sunday bulletins for 2024

The sign-up sheets to sponsor our Sunday bulletins for the 1st half of the next year, **2024** are now on the bulletin board! The cost to sponsor is now \$12.30.

Donations Please!

The Welcome Committee is asking for donations for our 1st Sunday Socials. If you would like to donate baked goods please sign up on the sheet that is on the Welcome Committee bulletin board directly beside the main entrance door in the Narthex. Thank you!

Updating Our Prayer List

Please look over our prayer list & if you have someone that is on the list but is no longer in need of prayers, please inform the church office (phone call or e-mail) or you may take today's bulletin, cross their name

off & place it in Barb's church mailbox (top row, left hand side).

Jesus Said, "Let the Little Children Come to Me."

We have Children's Sunday School on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month during the service. At each session the children complete a craft and enjoy a snack. **Classes for January will be held on Sunday, January 7th & 21st!** Children will be excused for their lesson after the children's message. Please share our news with anyone you know who may be interested. We welcome every child to join us and learn!

Manna Food Pantry

Our "2nd Sunday" food collection is still ongoing. During this time of continuously rising food prices & the start of the winter heating costs, food pantries are seeing a greater demand of their services. If you would like to donate you may bring your items into the church & place them on the table in the Narthex at any time. There is a list of suggested items now on the table. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mark your envelopes "Manna Food Pantry", and place it with your regular giving envelope.