

January 10, 2021  
9:30 am

# *Baptism of Our Lord*



*Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit of God moved over the waters. Both Mark's gospel and the story in Acts make clear that it is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus and the Ephesians, calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.*

*The other readings for today are Psalm 29 and Acts 19:1-7. You are encouraged to read these lessons prior to worship or during the week.*

## WELCOME!



**WELCOME TO LIVESTREAM WORSHIP:** It is our joy to welcome you to worship today, from wherever you may be viewing. We give thanks for whatever brought you, and pray that you may experience the love of God surrounding you and upholding you as we gather together online to give thanks to God through Word and Sacrament.



**During this heightened time of awareness and prevention** regarding Coronavirus, we would like to let you know.....

- As part of normal practices, the Altar Guild washes hands prior to preparing the Communion supplies and ensures that common use items are cleaned for use weekly.
- In addition to these practices, the Altar Guild is also:
  - ◊ sanitizing trays and bowls before and after services.
  - ◊ wiping down the altar, railing, and baptismal font before and after services.
- Communion is set for each worship participant at physically distanced locations in the Sanctuary.
- Worship participants wash hands and use hand sanitizer before, during, and after worship.
- At the Peace, we share a verbal "Peace be with You" to maintain physical distancing.
- We are wiping down "common touch" areas in the Sanctuary, such as the armrests and tops of pews, before each service.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building for use.
- Frequent and thorough handwashing is encouraged.
- "Common touch" areas are being sanitized daily.
- Furnaces are running full-time to help filter the air in the building.



**HOLY COMMUNION** is God's Word of love made visible in bread and wine.

At Communion Distribution, the **BREAD** is gluten free.

**RED WINE** is offered by individual cup. **WHITE GRAPE JUICE** is offered by individual cup.



**WE WELCOME CHILDREN IN WORSHIP** and offer a variety of resources to include them:

- "Younger Disciples Tips" are in the bulletin with ideas about how to engage children in worship.
- "A Time for Younger Disciples" during worship invites all children to listen to a message.
- Links to download and print an activity sheet for Sunday are in each week's *Trendings* eNews.

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## GATHERING

**C** All  
**S** Singer  
**P** Pastor

*Welcome to Worship!*

*As we prepare for worship, we invite you to a time of silence and focus.*

*Find a comfortable place in your home for worship.*

*Get some crackers or bread and something to drink so that we can share Communion.*

*Light a candle if you have one.*

### PRELUDE

*Wade in the Water* [African American Spiritual]  
Vanessa Wilkie, soloist

*Wade in the water, wade in the water, children, wade in the water, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*See that host all dressed in white, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*The leader looks like the Israelite. God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*See that band all dressed in red, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*Looks like the band that Moses led. God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*Look over yonder, what do I see? God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*The Holy Ghost a-coming on me. God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*If you don't believe I've been redeemed, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

*Just follow me down to Jordan's stream. God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.*

### WELCOME

Pastor Lara

- 1 Praise and thanksgiving be to God our maker,  
source of all blessing, prodigal creator.  
Baptized and made your own, now we come before you,  
and we adore you.
- 2 Not our own holiness, nor that we have striven  
brings us the peace which you, O Christ, have given.  
Baptized and set apart, strengthen us, O Savior,  
with grace and favor.
- 3 Come, Holy Spirit, come in visitation;  
you are the truth, our hope, and our salvation.  
Baptize with joy and pow'r; give, O Dove descending,  
life never ending.
- 4 Praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:  
one Lord, one faith, one source of ev'ry merit.  
Here now renew your church through this symbol given;  
grant peace from heaven.

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
whose voice is upon the waters, whose mercy is poured out upon all people,  
whose goodness washes over all creation.

**C** Amen.

**P** Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

*Silence for reflection.*

**P** Holy God,

**C** **We confess that our hearts are burdened by our own sins and the broken systems that bind us. We turn inward, failing to follow your outward way of love. We distrust those who are not like us. We exploit the earth and its resources and fail to consider generations to come.**

**Forgive us, gracious God, for all we have done and left undone. Amen.**

**P** Through the power and promise of ☩ Christ Jesus, we are forgiven and claimed as God's own beloved. In the wake of God's forgiveness, we are called to be the beloved community living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.

**C** Amen.

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

☐ The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☐ And also with you.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

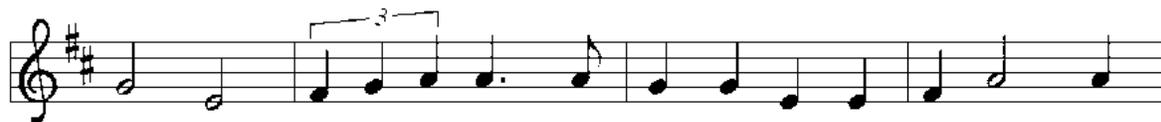
ELW page 213



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



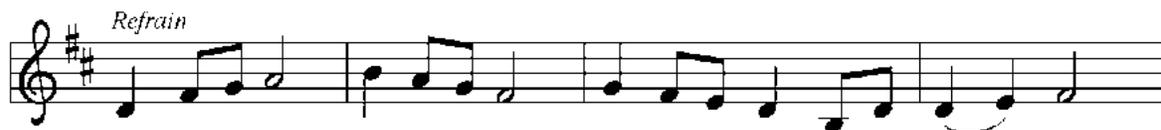
glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - migh-t-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

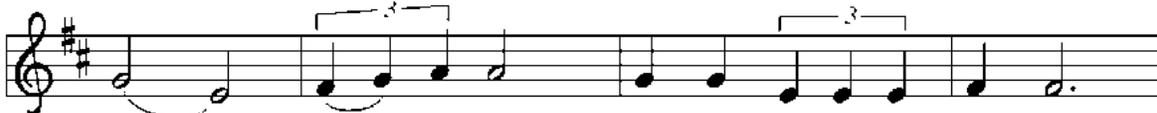


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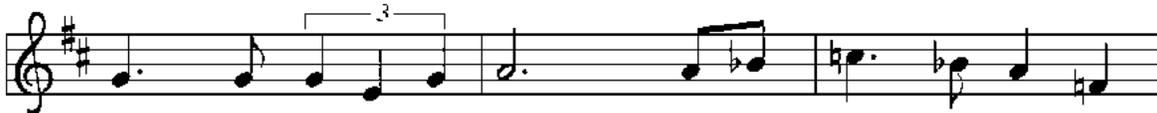
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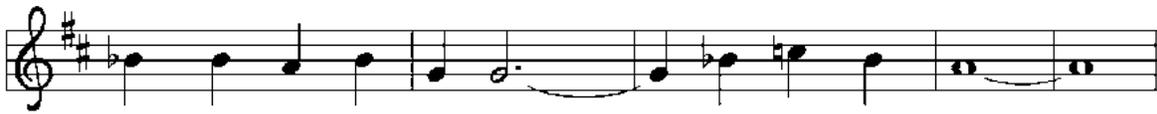
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

*Refrain*



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



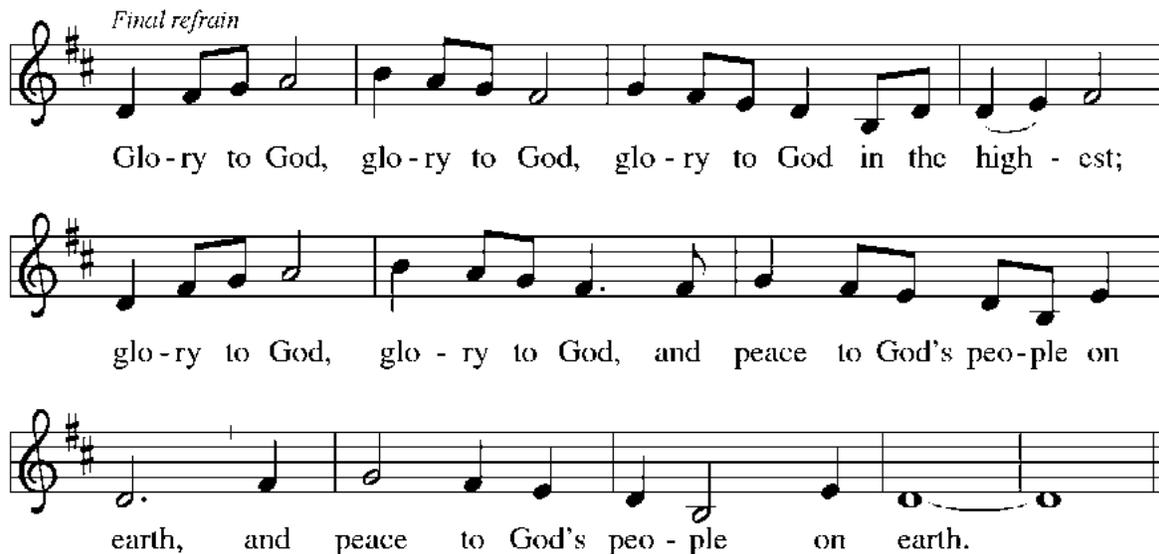
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*(continued)*

*Final refrain*



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on  
 earth, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☐ Let us pray together. Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness,
- ☑ **your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### A TIME FOR YOUNGER DISCIPLES

Pastor Lara

## W O R D

*Younger Disciples Tip: If you have a Spark Story Bible, this story is on page 2.*

*Out of chaos, God brings order. Out of the formless void, God brings light. This familiar story was good news for the Israelites, who experienced much chaos in their history. It remains good news for us. God created and continues to create new life.*

### READING (recorded)

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

☐ Word of God.

☑ **Word of Life.**

## **MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

*Younger Disciples Tip: If you have a Spark Story Bible, this story is on page 234 and 242. Mark's gospel reports the story of Jesus' baptism with some irony: the one on whom the Spirit descends is himself the one who will baptize others with the Holy Spirit.*

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL** (recorded)

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **GOSPEL** (recorded)

Mark 1:1-11

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,  
who will prepare your way;

the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight,’”

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **SERMON**

Pastor Lara

- 1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ our king:  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
faithfully now God's praise we sing.
- 2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
dead in the tomb with Christ our king:  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,  
thankfully now God's praise we sing.
- 3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ our king:  
born of the Spirit, we are God's children;  
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH***

Apostles' Creed

**S** Trusting in God's baptismal promises,  
we affirm our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C** **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 power of 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.**

*Younger Disciples Tip ~ Prayers/Offering: Invite children to write down who they want to pray for this week and one way they can serve their family/community.*

### **THE PRAYERS**

**S** Hear us, O God.

**C** **Your mercy is great.**

### **THE PEACE**

**P** The peace of Christ be with you always.

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

*If you are at home, we encourage you to post the peace on a social media platform.*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERING**

*Down In The River To Pray* [arr. Marc A. Hafso]  
Sharon Gurtel, Vanessa Wilkie, duet

*As I went down in the river to pray studyin' about that good ol' way,  
An' who shall wear the starry crown, Good Lord! Show me the way.*

*Oh sisters, let's go down, let's go down, come on down,*

*Oh, sisters, let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

*Oh brothers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down,*

*Come on brothers, let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

*Oh, fathers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.*

*Oh, fathers, let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

*Oh, mothers, let's go down, come on down don't ya wanna go down,*

*Come on mothers let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

*Oh, sinners, let's go down, let's go down, Oh come on down.*

*Oh, sinners, let's go down, down in the river to pray.*

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**S** Let us pray together. O God,

**C** **receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. Amen.**

## M E A L

*Younger Disciples Tip ~ Communion: If you have a Spark Story Bible, have your children follow along on page 465. The Lord's Prayer is on page 280.*

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

- C** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- S** Let us pray. Christ Jesus, at this table we have feasted on your very life and are strengthened for our journey. Send us forth from this banquet nourished in body and in spirit to proclaim your good news and serve others in your name.
- C** Amen.

## S E N D I N G

*Younger Disciples Tip ~ Blessing: Mark the sign of the cross on your child's forehead as a reminder of this sending blessing.*

#### **BLESSING**

- P** God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved empower you;  
and the Holy Spirit the comforter  keep you in peace.
- C** Amen.

**SENDING HYMN**

***Remember and Rejoice***

ELW Hymn 454

- 1 Remember and rejoice, renewed by floods of grace.  
We bear the sign of Jesus Christ, that time cannot erase.
- 2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most holy name,  
forever traced by water sign, and sealed by Spirit flame.
- 3 We pledge ourselves anew to flee the lures of hell,  
to cling to Christ's community, in justice, peace to dwell.
- 4 God, bless us by your grace; remind us of your care.  
Renewing Spirit, fill us now, inspire our work, our prayer.
- 5 Remember and rejoice, renewed by floods of grace.  
We bear the sign of Jesus Christ, that time cannot erase.

**SENDING** (*dismissal*)

☐ Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

☑ **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

*Trumpet Tune*

[David N. Johnson]

## PARTICIPANTS

*Presiding Minister* Pastor Lara Forbes  
*Director of Music Ministries/Organist* Dr. Will Simpson  
*Altar Guild* Karin Eklof  
*Lector (recorded)* Jean Wahlstrom  
*Singers* Sharon Gurtel, Vanessa Wilkie  
*Audio/Visual* Bryant Wilkie, Kurt Lutterman

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## WELCOME to WORSHIP

**THE FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Louise Oda in thanksgiving for friends and family.

### COMMEMORATIONS:

**Martin Luther King Jr.**, *renewer of society, martyr, died 1968*

January 15

An American prophet of justice among races and nations, King was an eloquent preacher, a leader of the nonviolent resistance to race-segregated society, and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. Born on this date, he was assassinated on April 4, 1968.

# SHARING GOD'S GENEROSITY ~ STEWARDSHIP

## INTRODUCTION

Our focus this commitment season is **generosity**, a celebration of a generous God and our response as God's people. The source of our focus comes from ELCA's Generosity Project, a year-round stewardship program developed for congregations. During October and November, Sunday bulletins and *Trendings* shared a verse, an affirmation and blessing, and a single word that served as a point of focus: WHY, WHO, WHERE, HOW, and HERE and NOW. Visit <https://salc.church/stewardship> for these weekly reflections.

Stewardship Committee members **Scott Lester and Darcy Johnson have recorded a video update** about stewardship for the congregation. You can watch it at <https://salc.church/video-update-about-stewardship>

## 2021 COMMITMENTS

A letter to the congregation, along with a commitment card for 2021, has been mailed to church households.

Knowing pledged giving is very helpful to the Finance Committee as they finalize the budget for 2021.

Commitment cards can be returned to the church.

Alternatively, you can submit your commitment with our confidential online form at <https://salc.church/commitment-pledge-online-form>.

Thank you!

## SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 10

### EARLY SUNDAY MORNING DISCIPLESHIP...8:15 AM

#### EARLY SUNDAY MORNING STUDY ~ JOSHUA:

Sundays, **January 10 - February 21, 8:15 am**, via Zoom

Led by Marvin Kananen and Jean Wahlstrom

Who led the Israelites into the Promised Land? Who spied on the Philistines for Moses? Who followed Moses in leadership? If your answer to those questions was **Joshua**, you got all three correct. Jean and Marvin begin a seven-week Bible Study on JOSHUA on Sunday, **January 10**. Come Zoom with us at **8:15 am**. It's an open format discussion but you need to sign up to get the Zoom link. All are welcome, especially you "rainbirds" if you promise not to talk about the weather! JOSHUA in seven weeks, what a good deal!

To sign up, visit <https://salc.church/sunday-morning-bible-study>.

### SUNDAY DISCIPLESHIP HOUR...10:45 AM

#### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION:

Sundays, **10:45 am**, via Zoom,

for youth in grades 7-8

The Affirmation of Baptism and Confirmation (ABC) class prepares Saint Andrew's youth to understand and affirm their faith. A Zoom link has been sent directly to families.

#### DISCIPLESHIP HOUR FORUM:

##### END OF LIFE PLANNING

Sunday, **January 10, 10:45 am**, via Zoom

Presenter: Pastor Lara

End of life planning – why do we need to talk about this stuff? For a variety of reasons, most people tend to avoid or procrastinate talking about death, end-of-life decisions, and funerals. At this forum, we'll talk about why that might be, and then explore these issues from the perspective of taking care of your family and loved ones.

Sign up online at <https://salc.church/discipleship-hour-forums-sign-up> no later than Saturday,

**January 9**.

**DISCIPLESHIP HOUR FORUM RECORDINGS:** Audio and video recordings of past Discipleship Hour Forums can be found at <https://salc.church/discipleship-hour-adults-page>. Scroll to "Discipleship Hour Recordings".

## SIGN-UPS

### To sign-up for events and activities:

- Use the link provided in the event/activity announcement, OR
- visit [www.salc.church/forms-resources](http://www.salc.church/forms-resources) and select the desired button, OR
- contact Susan Hegedus, [susan@SALC.church](mailto:susan@SALC.church) or 425-746-2529, and she will sign you up.

## THIS WEEK ~ JANUARY 11 - JANUARY 16

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

#### TUESDAY MORNING MEN:

Every Tuesday, **8:30 am**, via Zoom

Facilitator: Dick Swaisgood

All men are invited to gather via Zoom on Tuesdays with Saint Andrew's Men (SAM). We are reviewing and discussing articles from *Living Lutheran* magazine. If you feel inspired to join in the discussion, please fill your coffee cup, no dress code required, shaving is optional, and meet us online Tuesday mornings. Email Dick Swaisgood for instructions on joining this online meeting.

#### MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY:

Tuesdays, **10:00 am**, via Zoom

Please note: Midweek Bible Study **does NOT meet** on Tuesday, **January 12**.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

**LUNCH for THE SOPHIA WAY:** The Sophia Way continues to serve women in need of meals, shelter, and services. On Wednesday, **January 13**, Saint Andrew's will donate a lunch for the women at Sophia's Place in Bellevue. Since we cannot enter the building, one or two of us will "drop off" the food. For more information or to contribute, contact Joyce Arnold, 425-644-4585 (please leave your name and phone number on the recording.)

#### W.E.B.S. (Women's Early Book Study):

Wednesdays, January 6 - **February 10**, **11:00 am**, via Zoom

Join us for our Winter Session to discuss the book ***Small Great Things*** by Jodi Picoult. We meet at **11:00 am** on Wednesdays on Zoom. We start with devotions and a prayer and end on time at **12:30 pm**. *All women are welcome* to join us as we share our experiences, impressions, and questions about the topics in this novel based on an actual incident. We will discuss resilience, racism, and human nature. The title comes from a quote by Martin Luther King: "If I cannot do great things, I can do small things in a great way." Email Cheryl Jurrus for a reading schedule and an invitation for Zoom.

#### HOW LUTHERANS INTERPRET THE BIBLE:

Wednesdays, **2:00 pm**, via Zoom or Thursdays, **7:00 pm**, via Zoom

Facilitator: Jean Wahlstrom

"How Lutherans Interpret the Bible" is a 7-session video series by Dr. Mark Allan Powell, a Lutheran pastor and Bible professor. This series invites exploration of important questions about Lutherans and the Bible, with presentation of a variety of Lutheran perspectives. Each session is a lecture followed by discussion. We will view and discuss the complete series with weekly sessions in January and February on **Wednesdays at 2:00 pm** and **Thursdays at 7:00 pm** (identical sessions).

The schedule is:

- **January 13/January 14:** Session 3 "Where the Bible Comes From"
- **January 20/January 21:** Session 4 "Interpreting the Bible in Context"
- **January 27/January 28:** Session 5 "Determining Right from Wrong"
- **February 3/February 4:** Session 6 "The Many Meanings of the Bible"
- **February 10/February 11:** Session 7 "Devotional Bible Reading"

Sign up online at <https://salc.church/discipleship-hour-forums-sign-up> no later than the day before the session so we can get the Zoom link emailed to you in time.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

### YOUTH GAME ~ AMONG US:

Thursday, **January 14, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**, via Zoom

Join us for our monthly Among Us game! All youth, **grades 6-12**, are invited for a fun game over Zoom. We will be playing in private games starting at 6:00 pm and ending no later than 8:00 pm. No need to sign up; just join in the Zoom call and be ready to play. Note that you will need to have downloaded the game onto your phone, tablet, or computer to be able to play. Questions: Reach out to Doug Johnson, [doug@salc.church](mailto:doug@salc.church) or 425-746-2529.

### HOW LUTHERANS INTERPRET THE BIBLE:

Thursdays, **7:00 pm**, via Zoom

Facilitator: Jean Wahlstrom

- **January 14:** Session 3 "Where the Bible Comes From"

This session is identical to the January 6 session.

## NEXT SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 17

### WORSHIP

**WE WELCOME PASTOR KRISTY DANIELS** as our Presiding and Preaching Minister next Sunday. Pastor Daniels serves Church of Steadfast Love which meets in the Compass Center (Pioneer Square) of Compass Housing Alliance. She has served in her current call since 2007. COSL is a bilingual congregation that loves to worship together and do mission trips. Since they cannot do either at the moment they do their best to stay in touch by phone, email, and from a safe distance. The congregation is made up of adults from all walks of life and from all over the world. What Pastor Kristy misses most at the moment is hearing the "Alleluias" from the members of the congregation.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP:** Worship is via **livestream on YouTube**, at **9:30 am**.

Details and links to bulletins and worship services can be found at <https://SALC.church/media>. As we continue to follow health, state, and synod guidelines, livestream only (no in-person) worship will continue until further notice.

### Sunday, January 10: Second Sunday after Epiphany

1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

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#### DISCIPLESHIP HOUR FORUM: ESTATE PLANNING

Sunday, **January 17, 10:45 am**, via Zoom

Facilitator: Marc Bateman and Elizabeth Bateman

Bateman Law Group, PLLC, is a law firm comprised of the father-daughter team, Marc and Elizabeth Bateman, whose practice focuses on estate planning, estate and trust administration, guardianships and trust and estate litigation. The goal of this forum is to clarify the role of estate planning and introduce the many estate planning tools and techniques that are available. We hope to assist participants in becoming more knowledgeable consumers of these legal services with their own legal counsel (do-it-yourself-ing is not recommended!) We'll talk about wills, trusts, estate taxes, powers of attorney, disability planning, guardianships, how to avoid probate (and why you may not want to), charitable gifting, and whatever else we have time for.

Sign up online at <https://salc.church/discipleship-hour-forums-sign-up> no later than Saturday, **January 16**.

# COMING UP

## WORSHIP

**SUNDAY WORSHIP:** Worship is via **livestream on YouTube**, at **9:30 am**.

Details and links to bulletins and worship services can be found at <https://SALC.church/media>. Washington State's approach to reopening does not currently allow large gatherings. As we continue to follow health, state, and synod guidelines, livestream only (no in-person) worship will continue until further notice.

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**DISCIPLESHIP HOUR FORUM:**

**OUTREACH BUDGET 2021**

Sunday, **January 24, 10:45 am**, via Zoom

*Facilitator: Interim Chair Dick Szabo and members of the Outreach and Servant Ministries Committee*

The Outreach and Servant Ministries committee will host a conversation about plans for supporting our Outreach ministries in 2021 and detail of the Outreach portion of the budget. This will be a great time to ask questions about the Outreach budget and the organizations that our congregation supports through our budget.

**Sign up** for any or all of these forums online at <https://salc.church/discipleship-hour-forums-sign-up>. Sign up no later than Saturday before the Forum so we can get the Zoom link emailed to you in time.

**DISCIPLESHIP HOUR FORUM: BUDGET 2021**

Sunday, **January 31, 10:45 am**, via Zoom

*Facilitator: Treasurer/Finance Committee Chair Brady Kasper and members of the Finance Committee*

The Finance Committee will lead a discussion about the 2021 Saint Andrew's budget. This is an opportunity to understand Saint Andrew's projected income and expenses, ask questions, and become more familiar with the overall financial situation of our church.

## FELLOWSHIP

**O.W.L.S. (OLDER WISER LUTHERAN SAINTS):**

Tuesday, **January 19, 11:45 am**, via Zoom

**Learn a Few Easy Moves to Good Health**

It only takes a few exercises to keep our bodies limber and strong says Kota Shimada, a fitness guru who specializes in grown-ups. Learn his easy and essential tricks for good health when you join the O.W.L.S. for a virtual luncheon meeting on Tuesday, **January 19**.

You don't need to be older or wiser to join this fun group. We gather via Zoom at **11:45 am** for conversation and check-in. The program begins at **12:00 noon**. Sign up at <https://salc.church/older-wiser-lutheran-saints-o-w-l-s>. Reservation deadline is **5:00 pm** Monday, **January 18**, so we can email you the Zoom link. For more information, contact Fellowship Coordinator Sherry Grindeland, 425-746-2529 or [sherry@salc.church](mailto:sherry@salc.church).

**ZOOM YOUTH GROUP:**

Wednesdays, **January 20, February 3 and 17, 5:00 pm**, via Zoom

All Youth, **grades 6-12**, are invited for Zoom Youth Group. We are meeting at **5:00 pm**. For more information reach out to Doug Johnson, [doug@salc.church](mailto:doug@salc.church) or 425-746-2529.

The Zoom link will be sent directly to youth and families.

**KNITWITS (Knitting as Witnesses):**

Thursday, **January 21, 1:00 pm**, via Zoom  
 Knitting as Witnesses (KnitWits) will gather via Zoom to check in, share ideas, and connect with each other. Bring your knitting and let us know what you've been working on. Contact KnitWits coordinator Dianne Chong or Communications Specialist Susan Hegedus, [susan@salc.church](mailto:susan@salc.church), to get the Zoom link for this meeting.

**DORCAS CIRCLE:**

Tuesday, **February 2, 9:30 am - 12:00 noon**, 302/Fellowship Hall South, 5 people maximum  
 Dorcas Circle will meet to put together and sew quilts for Lutheran World Relief. We can have a maximum of 5 people, all wearing masks. If you are not able to join us at church, you can still participate by cutting quilt squares and/or sewing quilt tops at home. We have fabric at church that you can use. Please contact Linda Willenberg if you would like to attend Dorcas on **February 2** or if you would like to drop off quilts or pick up fabric at church that day.

**CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS ROTATING SHELTER:** At its December 14 meeting, the Saint Andrew's Congregation Council discussed and approved a request from the Congregations for the Homeless (CFH) to host their rotating shelter program clients on a 24 hour per day, 7 days per week basis during the month of **March 2021**. Currently, there are 20 men in this program. Thankfully, none of the rotating shelter program men have tested positive for COVID-19 since the pandemic began last February. Should the pandemic restrictions loosen, CFH is willing to alter the arrangement so it would minimize interfering with other functions occurring at our facility. In addition to providing space, Saint Andrew's is responsible for providing breakfasts and supplies. Other churches have agreed to help with meals. Volunteers are needed to help shop and drop off food/drinks at a church entrance door. Cheryl Jurrus has agreed to serve as our hosting team lead again this year. Please contact Cheryl to volunteer and/or ask questions you may have as we begin to plan for this opportunity to serve our community by partnering with CFH to help meet the homelessness need.

## ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

**DEVOTIONAL BOOKS:**

- **"Christ in Our Home"**: We have not received the January/February/March editions due to shipping delays throughout the country. Augsburg Fortress is instead temporarily offering "Christ in Our Home" devotions as daily emails. Sign up at <https://go.augsburgfortress.org/temporary-christ-in-our-home-email> to receive these devotions.
- **"The Word in Season"**: We have received these booklets for January/February/March. Contact the church office, [info@salc.church](mailto:info@salc.church) or 425-746-2529, if you would like a copy.

**From the RACIAL JUSTICE GROUP ~ JANUARY:**

DID YOU KNOW?.....that you can sign a pledge to fight racism?  
 You can join others in the ELCA to pledge to do whatever you can to end racism in our community, church, country and our world. "As church we are called to confess the sin of racism, condemn the ideology of white supremacy, and strive for racial justice and peace. Beyond statements and prayers, we are called to also act and respond to injustices." Go to <https://www.elca.org/racialjusticepledge> to learn more and sign the pledge.

The Racial Justice Group meets twice a month on the first and third Tuesdays. Find out more at <https://salc.church/racial-justice>. If you have questions or comments for the group, please contact Dick Swaisgood or Manda Schoen.

**APP FROM WASHINGTON STATE:** There is a new app for smartphones that is **designed to help reduce the spread of COVID-19**.

Washington Exposure Notifications (also known as **WA Notify**) is a new tool that works through smartphones, without sharing any personal information, to alert users if they may have been exposed to COVID-19. It is completely private, and doesn't know or track who you are or where you go. We encourage you to install this app. Visit <http://wanotify.org> for more details about the app, its use, and instructions for installing it on your phone. There is also a 2-minute video there that gives a good overview.

**WORSHIP LIVESTREAM VIDEO VOLUNTEERS:**

How would you like to learn a new skill, that's actually pretty fun? We are looking for a couple of additional volunteers to run the video production part of the Sunday livestream worship services. It does involve a two-hour commitment on Sunday mornings, with the other members of the Worship Team. The software to produce the video is easy to learn and in-person training is provided. If you're interested, please contact Kurt Lutterman, [kurt@salc.church](mailto:kurt@salc.church) or 425-746-2529.

**FLOWERS IN 2021:** We welcome flowers on Sundays during this time of livestream-only worship. An online sign-up for flowers in 2021 is available; visit <https://salc.church/flowers>. As your selected date approaches, you will be sent guidelines on how to deliver the flowers to church and how to pick them up following worship.

**HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE:** The Human Resources Committee is looking for one or two new members to assist in their work. The Committee typically meets 4 or 5 times in a year and when there are issues that need to be addressed. Most of their focus is on developing or refining personnel policies and providing guidance around salaries and benefits. If you have any interest in joining this committee, please contact Carolyn Ferris.

**ONLINE DEVOTIONS:** Micro Ministries is a collaboration of ELCA Lutheran pastors, including Pastor Lara, and lay people intent on creating fast and meaningful video content for anyone seeking hope and understanding about God, the world, and finding a place of belonging. We are providing short daily devotional videos. Find and follow Micro Ministries on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter. Read more and get the Micro Ministries social media links at <https://salc.church/faith-practices-at-home>.

## OUTREACH AND SERVANT MINISTRIES

### SAINT ANDREW'S OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Please remember in prayer these organizations we provide ongoing support for....

- **The Sophia Way** continues to serve women in need of meals, shelter, and services.  
**LUNCH!** On Wednesday, **January 13, 2021**, Saint Andrew's will donate a lunch for the women at Sophia's Place in Bellevue. Since we cannot enter the building, one or two of us will "drop off" the food. For more information or to contribute, contact Joyce Arnold, 425-644-4585 (please leave your name and phone number on the recording.)  
Visit [www.sophiaway.org](http://www.sophiaway.org) for other ways to help. Monetary donations can also be made from the Saint Andrew's online giving page ([www.salc.church/giving-options](http://www.salc.church/giving-options) and press the "Donate" button), or via check to Saint Andrew's marked "The Sophia Way".
- **Lantern Hill, Mexico:** Please pray for the health and well being of the children and families of Lantern Hill. Lantern Hill is continuing to provide food staples every other week to the families of the children they serve and continuing to support the higher education of their graduates. Contributions can be sent directly to Friends of Lantern Hill, 1907 Buckingham Drive, Chesterfield, MO 63017; or you can contribute through Saint Andrew's, with "Lantern Hill" noted on your check.
- **Congregations for the Homeless** continues to serve men in need of meals, shelter, and services. Visit [www.cfhomeless.org](http://www.cfhomeless.org) for information on the best ways to help during this time. Monetary donations can also be made from the Saint Andrew's online giving page ([www.salc.church/giving-options](http://www.salc.church/giving-options) and press the "Donate" button), or via check to Saint Andrew's marked "Congregations for the Homeless".
  - ◇ **Volunteer in March 2021** when Saint Andrew's hosts the CFH rotating men's shelter. Contact Cheryl Jurrus for information and to sign up to help.
- **Hopelink:**
  - ◇ **Monetary donations** provide the most flexibility and can be made from the Saint Andrew's online giving page ([www.salc.church/giving-options](http://www.salc.church/giving-options) and press the "Donate" button), or via check to Saint Andrew's marked "Hopelink", or directly to Hopelink.
  - ◇ **Amazon Wish List:** Hopelink has set up a wish list (with their greatest needs) through Amazon, where people can order items to be delivered directly to Hopelink. Click [Hopelink Wish List](#) for the link (or go to [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/ls/APDBC9GDXAOP/ref=smi\\_ext\\_Ink\\_lcl\\_cl%20%20onclck=](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/ls/APDBC9GDXAOP/ref=smi_ext_Ink_lcl_cl%20%20onclck=) ) The link can also be accessed through Hopelink's website: [www.hopelink.org/how-help-hopelink](http://www.hopelink.org/how-help-hopelink). At checkout, select the Hopelink Gift Registry address.
- **Lutheran World Relief (LWR):**
  - ◇ **Face Masks for Lutheran World Relief:** LWR continues to accept face masks and their partnering agencies welcome them! If you sew masks for LWR, you can bring them to church and we will mail them to LWR (drop them in the mail slot outside of the west door. Mark them for LWR.)
  - ◇ **Items for Personal Care Kits:** Please keep items at home until we can collect them.
- **Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission (NELM):** Our Team of volunteers served for a week last March at this Mission and School in Rock Point, Arizona. Please continue to pray for the NELM community, as the Navajo Nation has been severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Mission continues to provide meals to children, seniors, and anyone who is hungry. Funds for the mission school can be provided through Box Top\$ for Education; use the digital app to scan your grocery receipts. Visit [www.nelm.org](http://www.nelm.org) to learn more and/or to donate directly to them.

- **Lutheran Community Services Northwest (LCSNW)** is collecting food and hygiene donations. For many of the multicultural families they serve, COVID-19 has had a devastating impact. The requests for food and hygiene products in their Resource Centers are significant, and they are asking for help to keep their community pantries stocked. Visit <https://lcsnw.org/office/north-puget-sound/> to learn more.
- **MaaSAE Girls Lutheran Secondary School (MGLSS) and The Plaster House in Tanzania:** MGLSS serves 350 students. The Plaster House is currently treating 50 children with 140 on the waiting list. Monetary support for these organizations can be sent to Saint Andrew's. Note the "MGLSS" or "Plaster House" in the memo line of your check.
  - ◆ **Uniforms:** Donations for uniform kits for new MGLSS students are welcome. A \$50 donation purchases one kit, which lasts a student two years. Checks can be made payable to Saint Andrew's with "MGLSS Uniforms" in the memo line.

## WEEKLY PLANNER: JANUARY 10 - JANUARY 17

<b>Sunday</b>		
January 10	8:15 am	Early Sunday Morning Bible Study online
	<b>9:30 am</b>	Sunday Worship Livestream via YouTube
	10:45 am	ABC (Affirmation of Baptism and Confirmation) online
	10:45 am	Discipleship Hour Forum online
<b>Monday</b>		
January 11		OFFICE CLOSED
	1:00 pm	Saint Andrew's Staff 322/Conference Room
	7:00 pm	Congregation Council online
<b>Tuesday</b>		
January 12		OFFICE CLOSED
	8:30 am	Tuesday Morning Men online
	3:30 pm	Adult Education Team online
		Midweek Bible Study - no meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>		
January 13		OFFICE CLOSED
		Provide Lunch for The Sophia Way
	11:00 am	W.E.B.S. (Women's Early Book Study) online
	2:00 pm	How Lutherans Interpret the Bible online
<b>Thursday</b>		
January 14		OFFICE CLOSED
	6:00 pm	Youth Game ~ Among Us online
	7:00 pm	How Lutherans Interpret the Bible online
<b>Friday</b>		
January 15		OFFICE CLOSED
<b>Saturday</b>		
January 16		
<b>Sunday</b>		
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### SAVE THE DATE

ongoing	Worship with Holy Communion, 9:30 am	Livestream via YouTube
ongoing	Fair Trade Coffee Available for purchase contact Sherry Grindeland	
ongoing	Pray in the Sanctuary, available Sunday-Friday	Saint Andrew's
January 19	O.W.L.S. (Older Wiser Lutheran Saints), 11:45 am	online
January 20	Zoom Youth Group, 5:00 pm	online
January 21	KnitWits, 1:00 pm	online
February 2	Dorcas Circle (5 people maximum), 9:30 am	Saint Andrew's

Please submit announcements for next Sunday's Bulletin no later than  
Wednesday, **January 13**, at 9:00 am.  
Email submissions to Susan Hegedus, [susan@SALC.church](mailto:susan@SALC.church)

# SAINT ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

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**Joan Tweten**, Kitchen Team

## *Lutheran World Relief*

Our congregation supports the mission and ministries of **Lutheran World Relief**  
[www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org)

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