

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

Putting Jesus' Way of Life into Practice by...

**Encountering God, Loving One Another,
& Reaching the World.**

Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 18, 2026



Jesus Cleanses the Temple

Welcome to Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the Creator of heaven and earth,
the Word who spoke life into being,
the Wind stirring the waters.

Amen.

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Mighty God, lover of justice,
**you call us to life in community, but we have served our own
interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit
where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our
hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us
together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice,
love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

The former things have passed away, and new things God now
declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in
the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in † Jesus' name.
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with
the gift of peace. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN - What a Beautiful Name

*You were the Word at the beginning
One with God, the Lord most high
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ
What a beautiful name it is What a beautiful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ, my King What a beautiful name it is
Nothing compares to this What a beautiful name it is
The name of Jesus*

*You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater What could separate us now
What a wonderful name it is What a wonderful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ, my King*

*What a wonderful name it is
Nothing compares to this What a wonderful name it is
The name of Jesus*

*Death could not hold You The veil tore before You
You silenced the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again
You have no rival You have no equal
Now and forever God, You reign Yours is the Kingdom
Yours is the glory Yours is the Name above all names*

*What a powerful name it is What a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ, my King What a powerful name it is
Nothing can stand against What a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus What a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus*

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

READING - Psalm 127:1-2 (Read responsively)

¹ Unless the LORD builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain.

**Unless the LORD guards the city,
the guard keeps watch in vain.**

² It is in vain that you rise up early
and go late to rest,
**eating the bread of anxious toil,
for he gives sleep to his beloved.**

GOSPEL - John 2:13-25

The holy Gospel according to John, the second chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵ Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, with the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." ¹⁸ The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" ¹⁹ Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰ The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹ But he was speaking of the temple of his body. ²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

²³ When he was in Jerusalem during the Passover festival, many believed in his name because they saw the signs that he was doing. ²⁴ But Jesus on his part would not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people ²⁵ and needed no one to testify about anyone, for he himself knew what was in everyone.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON - Pastor Mike

HYMN OF THE DAY - Holy Forever

*A thousand generations Falling down in worship To sing the song of
ages to the Lamb And all who've gone before us And all who will
believe Will sing the song of ages To the Lamb*

*Your name is the highest Your name is the greatest Your name
stands above them all All thrones and dominions All powers and
positions Your name stands above them all*

*And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy You are lifted high
Holy Holy forever*

*If you've been forgiven And if you've been redeemed Sing the
song forever to the Lamb If you walk in freedom And if you bear
His name Sing the song forever to the Lamb We'll sing the song
forever and amen*

*And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy You are lifted high
Holy Holy forever*

*Hear Your people sing Holy To the King of Kings Holy You will
always be Holy Holy forever*

*Your name is the highest Your name is the greatest Your name
stands above them all All thrones and dominions All powers and
positions Your name stands above them all*

*And the angels cry Holy All creation cries Holy You are lifted high
Holy Holy forever*

*Hear Your people sing Holy To the King of Kings Holy You will
always be Holy Holy forever You will always be Holy Holy forever*

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION - RESPONSE: Receive our prayer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERING HYMN - Worthy of it All

*All the saints and angels Bow before Your throne All the elders cast
their crowns Before the Lamb of God and sing You are worthy of it
all You are worthy of it all For from You are all things And to You
are all things You deserve the glory*

(repeat)

(interlude)

*Day and night night and day Let worship arise Day and night night
and day Let worship arise Day and night night and day Let worship
arise Day and night night and D-a-y You are worthy of it all You are
worthy of it all For from You are all things And to You are all things
You deserve the glory*

(repeat)

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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**The Lord be with you.
And also with you.**

**Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.**

**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Creator, Our Mother,
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**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN - Oceans

*You call me out upon the waters,
the great unknown where feet may fail.
And there I find you in the myst'ry, in oceans deep my faith will stand.
And I will call upon your name*

*and keep my eyes above the waves. When oceans rise,
my soul will rest in your embrace for I am yours and you are mine.
(Interlude)*

*Your grace abounds in deepest waters,
your sov'reign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me,
you've never failed and you won't start now.
And I will call upon your name
and keep my eyes above the waves. When oceans rise,
my soul will rest in your embrace for I am yours and you are mine,
Oh. (Interlude)*

*And I will call upon your name And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise My soul will rest in your embrace
For I am yours and you are mine (Interlude & Instrumental)*

*Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders,
let me walk upon the waters where ever you would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
and my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my savior.
(x2)*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**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.**

COMMUNITY LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN - Lion and the Lamb

*He's coming on the clouds, Kings and kingdoms will bow down
And every chain will break As broken hearts declare His praise
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?*

*Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain*

*For the sin of the world His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before The Lion and the Lamb
Oh every knee will bow before The Lion and the Lamb
Oh-oh-oh, oh-oh-oh-oh-oh*

*So open up the gates Make way before the King of kings
Our God who calls the saved Is here to set the captives free
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?*

*Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power And fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him Our God is the Lamb
The Lamb that was slain*

*For the sins of the world His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before The Lion and the Lamb
Oh every knee will bow before The Lion and the Lamb
Oh-oh-oh, oh-oh-oh-oh-oh*

*Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Oh, who can stop the Lord Almighty?
Who can stop the Lord Almighty?*

*Oh, who can stop the Lord Almighty? Who can stop the Lord?
Our God is the Lion The Lion of Judah He's roaring with power
And fighting our battles And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the Lamb The Lamb that was slain*

*For the sins of the world His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before The Lion and the Lamb
Oh every knee will bow before The Lion and the Lamb
Oh-oh-oh, oh-oh-oh-oh-oh*

*And every knee will bow Before the Lion and the Lamb
(Oh-oh-oh, oh-oh-oh-oh-oh) And every knee will bow
Before the Lion and the Lamb*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Announcements

Statistics

The attendance on Sunday, January 11 was 57. 26 attended online.
This week's offerings to General Fund: \$1,777 - online: \$1,061

Special Voters' Meeting!

Next Sunday, January 25 after worship we will hold a special congregational meeting to vote on a proposal from Gateway Fiber. Contact Pastor Jon with questions, and be sure to attend to cast your vote.

Ushers and Communion Assistants Needed

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex to serve as an usher or communion server. *Your gift of hospitality matters!*

New Membership Directories

The 2026 Membership Directory is now available at the Welcome desk. Pick up your copy today so that you may get to better know your church family. If you would like a PDF version emailed to you, please let us know on the green slip in your bulletin.

Annual Meeting time is Just Around the Corner

Mark your calendars for our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, February 8 after worship. We will hear reports from leaders in the congregation, spend time envisioning the future of CSLC, elect members to positions of leadership, and approve the 2026 operating budget. If you wish to nominate yourself or another member to serve in congregational leadership let Pastor Jon know.

Be part of the 2026 St. Paul Area Synod Assembly

Do you have an interest in learning more about our church leadership at large? Consider being a delegate for CSLC at the St. Paul Area Synod Assembly - May 15 & 16 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Mahtomedi. This year's assembly is particularly important as the SPAS is electing a new bishop. Speak with Pastor Jon if you are interested.

UPCOMING DATES:

January 24	Men's Breakfast - 8:30 AM
February 8	Youth Souper Bowl of Caring - after worship
February 8	Annual Congregational Meeting
February 18	Ash Wednesday Worship - 7:00 PM

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THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE SERVANT

Today: Sunday, January 18 - Second Sunday after Epiphany

- 8:00 AM - Bible Study
- 9:00 AM - Worship
- 10:00 AM - Care of Creation Team
- 10:00 AM - Fellowship
- 11:30 AM - EFLC Worship
- 11:40 AM - EFLC Sunday School
- 1:45 PM - EF Board Meeting (SS Room)

Monday, January 19

- 9:00 AM - Package Bread and Delivery
- 12:00 PM - Piecemakers (FH)

Tuesday, January 20

- 7:00 AM - Bread Preparation (FH)
- 8:30 AM - Bread Distribution (FH)
- 6:30 PM - AA (FH)

Wednesday, January 21

- 10:00 AM - Bible Study
- 6:00 PM - Youth
- 7:00 PM - AA Meeting (Class A)

Thursday, January 22

Friday, January 23

- 5:30 PM - EF Choir Rehearsal (Class A)

Saturday, January 24

- 8:30 AM - Men's Breakfast (FH)
- 9:30 AM - Woman's Bible Study
- 11:00 AM - Revelation Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 PM - UCG Church (S/K/FH)

Sunday, January 25 - Third Sunday after Epiphany

- 8:00 AM - Bible Study
- 9:00 AM - Worship
- 10:00 AM - Fellowship
- 11:30 AM - EFLC Worship
- 11:40 AM - EFLC Sunday School
- 1:45 PM - EF Board Meeting (SS Room)

THIS WEEK AT LAKEVIEW

Today: Sunday, January 18 - Second Sunday after Epiphany

- 10:00 AM - Fellowship
- 10:45 AM - Worship
- 12:00 - 5:00 PM - Eternity Karen Baptist Church

Monday, January 19

- 6:30 PM - Finance Meeting
- 7:00 AM - AA

Tuesday, January 20

- 6:30 PM - Council Meeting

Thursday, January 21

- 7-8:30 PM - Girl Scouts

Sunday, January 25 - Third Sunday after Epiphany

- 10:00 AM - Fellowship
- 10:45 AM - Worship
- 11:30 AM - Annual Meeting
- 12:00 - 5:00 PM - Eternity Karen Baptist Church

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY! THANK YOU!


Greeter: Katie Wright
Ushers: Gary Splittstoesser
Reader: Mike Woehrle
Sound Booth: Tim, Tom, Peter, Kim, Jayson, Tony
Communion Assistants:
Musicians: Revelation
Coffee Servers: Peter Songster, Sarah Songster
Bread Pickup: Mike Woehrle
Counters: Mike Woehrle, Tim Kelvie, Sandy Meyer

PRAYER REQUESTS...

We pray for those in need of healing and mercy:
The family and friends of Bev K., Dennis (brother of Steven T.),
Joanne (friend of Sarah & Tim K.), Eileen S., Emily B., Mary-Kay
L. who is hospitalized, Pastor Dick M. and caregiver Barb,
Laiden S., Karen R., Norma (Mother of Leila H.), Sharon G., Deb
C., Rollie, Brian I, Katie W., Al J., Bev, Steve, Paul S., Brian,
Tony L., Roger K., Gary C., Sarah K., Carol L., Salomie (sister-in-
-law of Peter), Patty W. (sister of Mike W.)

(Please call the church office with prayer concerns or updates.)

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