

# OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Service Bulletin

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### Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026

P: Pastor

L: Liturgist

**C: Congregation**

Prelude

### GATHERING

Welcome/Land Acknowledgment/Affirming Statement

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

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

P: To you, O God,

**C: all hearts are open,**

**to you all desires known.**

**We come to you,**

**confessing our sins.**

**Forgive us in your mercy,**

**and remember us in your love.**

**Show us your ways;**

**teach us your paths;**

**and lead us in justice and truth,**

**for the sake of your goodness**

**in Jesus Christ our Savior,**

**Amen.**

P: By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of + Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

**C: Amen.**

## APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**C: 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.**

## WORD

**First Reading – Isaiah 58:1-12**

### **Psalm 112:1-10**

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord  
and have great delight in God's commandments!

<sup>2</sup> **Their descendants will be mighty in the land;  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

<sup>3</sup> Wealth and riches will be in their house,  
and their righteousness will last forever.

<sup>4</sup> **Light shines in the darkness for the upright;  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup> It is good for them to be generous in lending  
and to manage their affairs with justice.

<sup>6</sup> **For they will never be shaken;  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

<sup>7</sup> They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;  
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

<sup>8</sup> **Their heart is established and will not shrink,  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

<sup>9</sup> They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever;

they will hold up their head with honor.

<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.**

## Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

*(All who are able, please rise.)* Gospel Acclamation – **C: Alleluia.** Jesus says, I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will have the light of life. **Alleluia.** (*John 8:12*)

## Gospel – Matthew 5:13-20

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED – ELW pg. 105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

MEAL

Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 190

Holy, Holy, Holy – ELW pg. 190

**C: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God – ELW pg. 191

**C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.**

*Communion (All are welcome to participate in Holy Communion as they feel comfortable. Wine and grape juice (middle of tray) and bread or gluten free options are available. If you are unable to stand, please indicate if you wish to participate from your pew.)*

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favour and + give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace and Love. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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WORSHIP LEADERS	
Presiding	Rev. Wendy McRae
Communion prep	Louise Ewen
Lector	Eric Elle

## OSLC Calendar of Events:

February 8, 2026	12:30 – Holy communion service with Rev. Wendy McRae
February 15, 2026	OSLC will not have a worship service this Sunday. All are invited to join in worship with Grace Anglican at 8 AM or 10 AM, for a service of Holy Eucharist. For those wishing to worship on-line, please join with Lutheran Church of the Cross (Victoria) at 10 AM for their live-stream service of Communion <a href="http://www.lutheranvictoria.ca/live">www.lutheranvictoria.ca/live</a>
February 22, 2026	12:30 – First Sunday in Lent worship service with Lauren Aldred

**Youth Group:** Sundays, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM - 2SLGBTQIA+ and Allies Youth Group for ages 15-29 at 2640 Goheen Street, use back basement entrance.

**Food Bank:** Tuesdays, 10AM- Noon, use back basement entrance.

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### Events with Grace Church:

Email: [graceparishpg@gmail.com](mailto:graceparishpg@gmail.com)

**Feb. 9-** 10:00 – 11:00 AM- Prayer group at Grace Church

**Feb. 15-** 1:30 PM – St Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen

**Feb. 17-** Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Supper at St Michaels and All Angels

**Feb. 18** – Ash Wednesday- Grace Church- 9:00 AM, St Michaels- 7:00PM

**Feb. 26** – 7:00-8:00 PM – Fireside Chats 'Politics and Prayer' at St Michael's and All Angels Hall

## **Offering / Giving:**

**Thank you to those who so generously give of their time, talents and gifts. We provide several options for you to contribute. If you require a charitable tax receipt for your donation,** please contact the church office at [oslcospika@gmail.com](mailto:oslcospika@gmail.com) or 250-564-4336 to provide your name, address and email in order to register with us, so we may issue a charitable tax receipt and an envelope number. Tax receipts are issued by February of each year for the previous year.

Giving may be made in the following ways:

- Electronic transfer to [oslcdonation@gmail.com](mailto:oslcdonation@gmail.com) Please provide your envelope number and the purpose of the donation (e.g. general offering, food bank, etc.). We require your contact details in order to issue a tax receipt.
- Cheque: Mailed or placed in church mailbox or donated during Sunday worship service. Please provide: envelope number, if you have one; purpose of donation.
- Cash: Please only provide cash during Sunday morning worship service or during office hours. Place in envelope with details in order to receive tax receipt.
- OSLC website: Canada Helps: [Donate Now - Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Prince George \(canadahelps.org\)](https://canadahelps.org/en/Donate-Now-Our-Saviour's-Lutheran-Church-in-Prince-George/) – **Canada Helps will issue a tax receipt directly to you**

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## **READINGS FOR THE DAY**

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### **FIRST READING – Isaiah 58:1-12**

<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.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 2:1-16**

<sup>1</sup> When I came to you, brothers  
and sisters, I did not come  
proclaiming the testimony of  
God to you with superior  
speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup> For I  
decided to know nothing among  
you except Jesus Christ and  
him crucified. <sup>3</sup> And I came to  
you in weakness and in fear  
and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup> My  
speech and my proclamation  
were made not with persuasive  
words of wisdom but with a  
demonstration of the Spirit and  
of power, <sup>5</sup> so that your faith  
might rest not on human  
wisdom but on the power of  
God.

<sup>6</sup> Yet among the mature we  
do speak wisdom, though it is  
not a wisdom of this age or of  
the rulers of this age, who are  
being destroyed. <sup>7</sup> But we speak  
God's wisdom, a hidden  
mystery, which God decreed  
before the ages for our  
glory <sup>8</sup> and which none of the  
rulers of this age understood,  
for if they had, they would not  
have crucified the Lord of

glory. <sup>9</sup> But, as it is written,  
"What no eye has seen, nor  
ear heard,  
nor the human heart  
conceived,

what God has prepared for  
those who love him"—

<sup>10</sup> God has revealed to us  
through the Spirit, for the Spirit  
searches everything, even the  
depths of God. <sup>11</sup> For what  
human knows what is truly  
human except the human spirit  
that is within? So also no one  
comprehends what is truly  
God's except the Spirit of  
God. <sup>12</sup> Now we have received  
not the spirit of the world but  
the Spirit that is from God, so  
that we may understand the  
gifts bestowed on us by God.  
[<sup>13</sup> And we speak of these  
things in words not taught by  
human wisdom but taught by  
the Spirit, interpreting spiritual  
things to those who are  
spiritual.

<sup>14</sup> Those who are unspiritual  
do not receive the gifts of God's  
Spirit, for they are foolishness  
to them, and they are unable to  
understand them because they  
are spiritually  
discerned. <sup>15</sup> Those who are  
spiritual discern all things, and  
they are themselves subject to  
no one else's scrutiny.

<sup>16</sup> "For who has known the  
mind of the Lord  
so as to instruct him?"  
But we have the mind of  
Christ.]

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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

### **C: Glory To You, O Lord**

[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."

P: The gospel of the LORD.

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