**Welcome to OUR SAVIOUR’S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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Season of Epiphany Jan. 27 & 30, 2022

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*\* All who are able please stand L: Leader; P: People*

Prelude Accom.: Craig Bowden

Words of Welcome and Good News

*Sunday Service: Giving of Donation to Help RASD Students in Need*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Jesus said: I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but have the light of life.

**P: We have seen the light of Christ like a star shining in the sky; and like the Magi, we have come to worship.**

***ALL: Glory be to God, and to Jesus Christ, the Word of Light, in whom God is made known in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.***

\*HYMN: “Christ is the World’s True Light” R143/Projected

\*INVOCATION

***ALL: We thank you, God, that you have spoken to people of faith at many times and in various ways, and that in Jesus, your living Word, you have revealed yourself among us. We come longing once more to know your presence and to hear your word. We come eager to follow Jesus. We rejoice that you are with us always when we gather in Christ’s name. Amen.***

\*Response & Invitation: “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” by Thomas A. Dorsey

**Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired,**

**I am weak, I am worn; Through the storm, through the night,**

**lead me on to the light: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.**

WITNESS OF FAITH: Jeremiah 1:4-10

WITNESS OF FAITH: Psalm 71:1-6

CALL TO CONFESSION

L: God has come to us in Christ, but we often live as if it made no difference.

Let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***ALL: Loving God, you have come to us in Jesus; yet we confess that we often refuse to receive you. We live in the world as if we did not know you. Showing your love for all peoples, you guided sages from distant lands to worship Jesus, your child. Although we know of this love, we limit our love with safe boundaries, building walls rather than bridges, denying our connection with all those you love. Forgive us, God, and give us new hearts to love and serve you. Write your Word within us. Make yourself known to us as we live today. For we pray in the name of Jesus the Christ, in whom you most fully have revealed yourself. Amen.***

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

L: Be of good courage, for God sent the Word into the world not to judge

but to save. I say to you in the name of Jesus Christ: Your sin is forgiven.

**P: Thanks be to God!**

Passing of the Peace [A blessing from our minister]

WITNESS OF FAITH: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 4:21-30

A TIME FOR LEARNING WITH OUR CHILDREN Projected

 An animated telling of the Gospel story

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH: UCC Statement of Mission Projected

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place**

**I can feel God’s mighty power and God’s Grace**

 **I can hear the brush of angel’s wings**

 **I see glory on each face**

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place**

VISUAL REFLECTION: “The Anchor Symbol” Projected

 With The Religion Teacher

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Prayer of Our Savior:

**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 debts,**

**as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,**

**and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

HYMN: “Build Your Kingdom Here” Projected

 With Rend Collective

MEDITATION: “A Model for Community” Rev. Kevin Mundell

HYMN: “I Am the Light of the World” R201/Projected

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

[Offering options by the sanctuary entrances/social media/mail/office.]

L: When we give our tithes and offerings, we are witnesses to the transforming love of God in Christ. I invite you to give as generously as you have received sharing your blessings with God’s world.

OFFERTORY

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***ALL: As we learn to adore you in this Epiphany Season, we find ourselves blessed by the changing seasons that remind us of our presence in your life. Accept from us this day these gifts we offer up to you. Make them a blessing through your grace, mercy, and love to all the people that are affected by their use, Amen.***

\*BENEDICTION: “Go Now In Peace”

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know he will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

\*Postlude

**THIS WEEK’S COMING EVENTS**

**Thurs. January 27 9am-12pm Office Hours**

 **9:30am Called to Care Meeting**

**6:30pm Worship Service in Sanctuary**

**Fri. January 28 9am-12pm Office Hours**

**Sun. January 30 9:00am Worship Service in Sanctuary**

 **10:15am Christian Ed Classes**

**Mon. January 31 9am-12pm Office Hours**

**Tues.**  **February 1 9am-12pm Office Hours**

 **6:00pm Constitution Committee Meeting**

**Wed. February 2 9am-12pm Office Hours**

 **5:15pm Confirmation Session Seventeen**

**Thurs. February 3 9am-12pm Office Hours**

 **9:30am Called to Care Meeting**

 **6:30pm Worship Service with Communion**

**Fri. February 4 9am-12pm Office Hours**

**Sun. February 6 9:00am Worship in Sanctuary with Communion**

 **Cub Scout Pancake Breakfast**

 **10:15am Christian Ed Classes – No Adult Ed**

 **10:30am Drive Thru Communion**

**FUTURE COMING EVENTS**

**Wed. February 9 5:15pm Session Eighteen**

**Thurs. February 10 6:30pm Worship in Sanctuary**

**Sun. February 13 9:00am Worship in Sanctuary**

 **10:15am Christian Ed Classes – No Adult Ed**

 **10:15am Annual Meeting**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** If any of your contact information changes, please let the office know as soon as possible. Thank you.

**WORSHIP & COMMUNION:** Our next Drive-Thru Communion will be happening on February 6th. On January 2nd, we had 12 participants.

**LOOSE COIN UPDATE:** We are still using the loose coins in the offering plate for special projects. You can still give by specifying on the envelope that it is for Stewardship loose coin offering. Thanks to all for your continued support.

**BULLETIN INFORMATION DEADLINES:** If you are interested in getting information placed in the bulletin, or would like to sponsor an item through the Altar Guild, these requests are needed by **Tuesday, 11am.** This deadline ensures our delivered bulletins are received before Thursday/Sunday Service!

**WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY!**

We welcome all visitors and guests, and we are glad you can join us for our services.

**Large print bulletins and regular bulletins with copies of the hymn for those wanting a print form, are available in the vestibule and online, if you would like one mailed to you, please let us know. Weekly hymns are being printed and some are available in the vestibule by the bulletins.**

 Worship Services are Thursday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am.

Both services are live streamed, and a video recording is placed on our social media sites to view at any time. For those videos, please visit: www.oursavioursuccripon.com or “Our Saviours United Church of Christ” Facebook page & Youtube Channel. If you are viewing the worship from one of our social media platforms, make sure to leave a comment or like our post to know you’re worshipping with us! If there is an issue with the stream, or you have any feedback, please reach out to Conrad.

Either the Thursday or Sunday service will be broadcasted via radio at 11:00am on 1600AM WRPN

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**  The office hours are: Monday-Friday, 9AM-NOON. If you need to get into the church at an unopen time, please call the church office and leave a message, or call a church council person.

**CONTRIBUTIONS & ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK**:

In-Person: Thursday 6:30 – 11 Sunday 9:00-31

Livestream Views: Thursday – 137 Sunday: 51

General Fund: $2915 Capital Improvements: $110 OCWM: $262

Thank you so much for your continued support of mailed in and online contributions.

**Sunday Worship Team 9:00 am**

**Audio Operator:** Phil Manthei **Liturgist:** Confirmand

 **Organist:** Craig Bowden

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***Birthday Greetings to our Young at Heart (50+)***

***Laura Polcyn,*** *January 30,* ***John Cate,*** *February 1,* ***Kevin Mundell,*** *February 1,*

***Ronald Keplin,*** *February 3,* ***Ruth Ann Cluppert****, February 4*

**ALTAR & ORGAN FLOWERS; RADIO BROADCAST; BULLETIN SIGN-UP:** 2022 Sign-up is available on the stand outside of the office! This sign-up is for ALL SPONSORSHIPS! Altar flowers are $25 and Organ flowers are $16 each. Radio Broadcasts are $50 per sponsor & $25 per sponsor per bulletin. You can also send a letter with payment into the office or call the office to sign up. Please remember to send payment in for your signed-up slots.

**MISSIONS FOOD COLLECTION:** In the Month of January, 100% fruit juice, canned fruits and vegetables, instant potatoes, cereal, and rice are the recommended items during this time.

**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPE BOXES:** Available in the East Narthex! Please pick them up at your earliest convenience.

**OUR SAVIOUR’S ANNUAL MEETING:** On Sunday, February 13th, at 10:15am in the Sanctuary. We will have a Zoom option available, which you can request the link from the Church Office. Virtually viewing the Meeting will allow you to attend from a computer, tablet, or phone at 10:15am on February 13th. The Annual Report will be available in print and digital form in the office February 2nd. If you’re interested in having an Annual Report emailed to you, please reach out to the office. If you’re available to attend, we would greatly appreciate seeing you there! We must meet quorum in order to conduct church business and approve our budget for 2022. Thank you for being a part of God’s ministry in and through Our Saviour’s Church.

**ADULT ED:** Has begun reading the Book of James, and taking a deeper look into this often-misunderstood book of the Bible. Feel free to join us and discuss

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY:** Although the Packers did not make it to the Super Bowl, at least we can still enjoy *Souper Bowl Sunday.* Missions Committee will be collecting cans of Soup to be given to the Food Pantry! There will be a collection box in the East Entrance. *Thank you, and may the best team win!*

**2021 END OF YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS:** Available in the East Narthex for pick-up! These will be mailed out Monday, January 31st, if not picked up.

**CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE:** Below is the schedule for the Constitution Committee Meeting which will be making edits and revisions to the current copy of the Constitution. These meetings are open for all to attend, and we encourage you to share your opinions.

Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

**HEALTHY EATING:** The following is one of the diet guidelines most recommended for adults by the CDC. This plan encourages foods that are low in saturated fats, trans fats, cholesterol, salt, added sugars and stays within your calorie needs. The strategy works because it includes an assortment of healthy, non-processed foods like red peppers, oranges, dark salad greens, blueberries etc. In fact, the darker the colors of the produce, the more nutrients and fiber they have. Also included should be a range of protein items such as lean meat, fish, poultry, eggs, beans, seeds, nuts, and whole grains to balance out your intake. But most important is to stay within your calorie requirements with portion control.

Warnings

 Fruit - dried and canned fruit may contain added sugars or syrup.

 Vegetables – canned and frozen vegetables may have added salt, butter, or cream sauce.

 Low-fat and fat-free yogurts – ensure no added sugar.

 Change frying and breading fish and chicken to baking or grilling them.

Treats and Comfort food

 Enjoy once in a while but they should be the exception not the rule. For instances consider half as much Pizza as usual with a large healthy salad before and/or eat a smaller piece of cake with fresh fruit on the side. Last but not least do not forget to get some kind of exercise every day for both mental and physical health.

**So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.** 1 Corinthians 10:31

*Monica Gagnon (Gon-yo), Parish Nurse*

*Healthy Eating for a Healthy Weight, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Last reviewed: April 19, 2021*

**PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY:** Feel free to use our prayer chain ministry by contacting Caroline Retzlaff at 920-748-2367.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:**  Billi Kaufman, Bill Waltenberry, Roger Fenner, Lorraine Fischer, Steve McSorley, Bob Schouten, Caroline Sowersby, 16 unspoken, and all others.