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10 AM By phone 1(888) 788-0099 Meeting ID 886 7604 5376 for Personal ID use “ # ”

We are on Zoom and have established an 800 number for those who wish to use their phone to connect and not be charged long distance. Our weekly invitation link can also be used by Wi-Fi connection. The Zoom computer connection or 800 number is a good way for you to have our service available to you and your family and friends. **1(888) 788-0099** is the free 800 phone number . For Sunday worship the meeting ID is **886 7604 5376**, no personal ID is required. Just hit the # sign when asked for personal ID. If you have a smart phone you can enter with video connection or not. If you do not get in please call 385-234-1931 before 10 AM and I will try to help you connect.

The easiest way to come on Zoom by computer is to have an invitation email with a link. You will need to send your email address to me or Susan, so we can send out an invitation with a link to our meeting. If you notice someone missing from the email addresses in your email or want to invite someone you know, either forward this to them or send an email to Susan Roberts or Pastor Hank so we can include them in our ongoing email invitations if they desire.

We are privileged and commanded by God to worship Him. Worship is the highest art form and good work that humans can do before and with God. Worship brings us into God's presence, where we first confess our sins and receive His forgiveness to enter His presence as well as receive His blessings for life now and in eternity. Worship establishes and maintains eternal fellowship with God. Worship is not an entertainment activity. Do not sit back and watch; true worship requires your active participation. Even while muted, sing the hymns and speak the responses, prayers and confessions.

Because of the second to second and a half lag-time between you and the source of the music or leading voice, unison participation requires us to mute our mic or phone if feature available, or cover the mouth piece. Only one voice should be heard responding to avoid confusion. Our joyful noise is certainly heard by our Lord, but it is distracting to our worship concentration with the lag time. Remember, worship is not worship unless you are involved in the worship acts, so don't just watch, -- join in, listen and participate.

You will have opportunity to speak to and greet each other both before and after worship. The actual worship will start at 10 AM, but we will establish our meeting for you to connect at or after 9:45 AM. You will come into the waiting room and be brought in by the host or co-host ASAP. Your wait time will be very short. Please join us.

In these times of isolation and danger we give thanks to our God who tells us, "I will never leave you or forsake you." We may not be able to understand the why, but we know that God is in our midst working to sustain us and turn this evil to our good. His Word is never broken; His promises are sure! His love for us assures us of victory over all that which would destroy body and soul. We are with Him, and He continues to gift us with life, body, soul, family, friends, and our church family. We have much to be thankful for. Because of the resurrection of our Lord, we need never fear our future. We can do all things through Him who strengthens and loves us. We have Joy and Peace in Jesus Christ!

5th Sunday after Epiphany February 7, 2021

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Divine Service Setting 1 / Service of the Word Sermon given by Vicar Paul Chuol

Opening HYMN: LSB 904 “Blessed Jesus at Your Word”

1. Blessed Jesus at Your Word We are gathered all to hear You. Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and fear You, By Your teachings, sweet and holy, Drawn from earth to love You solely.
2. All our knowledge, sense, and sight Lie in deepest darkness shrouded Till Your Spirit breaks our night With the beams of truth unclouded. You alone to God can win us; You must work all good within us.
3. Gracious Savior, good and kind, Light of Light, from God proceeding, Open now our heart and mind; Help us by Your Spirit’s pleading. Hear the cry Your Church now raises; Hear and bless our prayers and praises.
4. Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord, Praise to You and adoration! Grant that we may trust Your Word, Confident of our salvation, While we here below must wander, Till we sing Your praises yonder.

GREETINGS:

INVOCATION:

P: We worship in the Name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

P: I will sing to the LORD,

C: because He has dealt bountifully with me.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: but if we confess our sins, God, Who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us then, confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake, forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

PSALM / INTROIT (Ps. 13:3-5; Antiphon Ps.13:6)

P: I will sing to the LORD,

C: because He has dealt bountifully with me.

P: Consider and answer me, O LORD my God;

C: light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death,

P: lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him,"

C: lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

P: But I have trusted Your steadfast love;

C: my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation

**Glory be to the Father and to the (+) Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: I will sing to the LORD,

C: because He has dealt bountifully with me.

KYRIE:

P: In peace. Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation. Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

*P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, & the unity of all,
Let us pray to the Lord.*

C: Lord have mercy.

P: For this holy house & for all who offer here their worship & praise. Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise Gloria in Excelsis

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Hymn LSB 596 "All Christians Who Have Been Baptized"

1. All Christians who have been baptized, Who know the God of heaven, And in whose daily life is prized
The name of Christ once given: Consider now what God has done, The gifts He gives to ev'ry one
Baptized into Christ Jesus!
4. In Baptism we now put on Christ – Our shame is fully covered With all that He once sacrificed
And freely for us suffered. For here the flood of His own blood Now makes us holy, right and good
Before our heav'nly Father.
5. O Christian, firmly hold this gift and give God thanks forever! It gives the power to uplift In all that
you endeavor. When nothing else revives your soul, Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
And then in death completes you.

6. So use it well! You are made new—In Christ a new creation! As faithful Christians, live and do
Within your own vocation, Until that day when you possess His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever!

SALUTATION and COLLECT of the Day:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray

*O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of
Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your
Son our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

C: AMEN.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:21-31

²¹Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have
you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is He who sits above the circle of
the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; Who stretches out the heavens like a
curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; ²³Who brings princes to nothing, and makes
the rulers of the earth as emptiness. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has
their stem taken root in the earth, when He blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest
carries them off like stubble. ²⁵To whom then will you compare Me, that I should be like
Him? Says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see who created these? He Who
brings out their hosts by number calling them all by name, by the greatness of His might, and
because He is strong in power not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, o
Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God?” ²⁸Have
you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the
ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He
gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. ³⁰Even youths
shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted ³¹but they who wait for the
LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run
and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

P: This is the Word of the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

GRADUAL: (Is.9:6; Ps.98:1a)

P: Praise the LORD, all nations!

C: Extol Him, all peoples!

P: For great is His steadfast love toward us,

C: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

P: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His Name;

C: bring an offering, and come into His courts!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 9:16-27

¹⁶For if I preach the gospel that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe
to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but if not of

my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. ¹⁸ What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. ¹⁹ For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. ²⁰ To the Jews I became as a Jew in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. ²¹ To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. ²² To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. ²³ I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings. ²⁴ Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵ Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷ But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE: *(John 6:68)*

C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

P: Alleluia. Jesus went through all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons. Alleluia.

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:29-39

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 1st chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁹ And immediately He left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told Him about her. ³¹ And He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³² That evening at sundown they brought to Him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. ³³ And the whole city was gathered together at the door. ³⁴ And He healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast many demons. And He would not permit the demons to speak because they knew Him. ³⁵ And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, He departed and went out to a desolate place, and there He prayed. ³⁶ And Simon and those who were with Him searched for Him, ³⁷ and they found Him and said to Him, "Everyone is looking for You." ³⁸ And He said to them, "Let us go onto the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." ³⁹ And He went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon LSB 660 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

1. Stand up, stand up for Jesus, Ye soldiers of the cross, Lift high His royal banner; It must not suffer loss. From vict'ry unto vict'ry His army He shall lead Till ev'ry foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed.

2. Stand up, stand up for Jesus; The trumpet call obey; Stand forth in mighty conflict In this His glorious day.
Let all His faithful serve Him Against unnumbered foes; Let courage rise with danger And strength to strength oppose.
3. Stand up, stand up for Jesus; Stand in His strength alone. The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own. Put on the Gospel armor; Each piece put on with prayer. Where duty calls or danger, Be never wanting there.
4. Stand up, stand up for Jesus; The strife will not be long; This day the din of battle, The next the victor's song.
The soldiers, overcoming, Their crown of life shall see And with the King of Glory Shall reign eternally.

Sermon: Your Power Over Evil

APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us now confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life (+) everlasting. Amen.

LSB 827 "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling"

1. Hark, the voice of Jesus calling, "Who will go and work today? Fields are white and harvests waiting Who will bear the sheaves away?" Loud and long the Master calleth; Rich reward He offers thee. Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
2. Some take up His task in morning, To their Lord responding soon; Some are called in heat of midday, Others late in afternoon; Even as the sun is setting, Some are sent into the fields, There to gather in the bounty That God's Word so richly yields.
3. For as rain and snow from heaven Water seeds in dusty soil, Causing them to bud and flower, Giving bread to those who toil; So the Lord sends forth His promise, Words of life and joy and peace—Never void to Him returning, Bearing fruit with great increase.
4. Harken to the Lord whose coming Marks the time when grace shall end, When with His angelic reapers He in glory shall descend. Soon the night the final harvest, Soon the time for work shall cease. Then the souls His grace has garnered Shall enjoy His Sabbath peace.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

(after each petition ending in Lord in your mercy-- the congregational response is):

C: Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER:

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.

Collect for Grace:

P: *O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

C: Amen.

Offering Hymn LSB 781 “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

1. We give Thee but Thine own, What e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
2. May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thus blessed us, To Thee our first-fruits give!
3. Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled Are straying from the fold.
4. To comfort and to bless, To find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and fatherless Is angels' work below.
5. The captive to release, To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace, it is a Christ-like thing.
6. And we believe Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it unto Thee.

OFFERING: (As you are privileged, do contribute to our ministry by sending your offering in support of God's ministry at St. John's Lutheran Church, 475 East Herbert Ave., Salt Lake City, UT 84111)

In the House of the Lord, the Offering is taken for the partnership with God in His ministry in our community and through this congregation. To participate, you will need to send it to the address above or use the PayPal app on our website. stjohnslutheranslc.org

OFFERTORY:

All: What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the Name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation, and will call on the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,

In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and (+) give you peace.

C: AMEN.

Closing Hymn LSB 966 “Before You, Lord, We Bow”

1. Before You, Lord we bow, Our God who reigns above, And rules the world below,
Boundless in pow’r and love. Our thanks we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise
To You, our King!
2. The nation You have blest May well Your love declare, From foes and fears at rest,
Protected by Your care. For this bright day, For this fair land – Gifts of Your hand – Our
thanks we pay.
3. May ev-’ry mountain height, Each vale and forest green, Shine in Your Word’s pure light,
And its rich fruits be seen! May ev-’ry tongue Be tuned to praise And join to raise A
grateful song.
4. Earth, hear your Maker’s voice; Your great Redeemer own; Believe, obey, and rejoice, And
worship Him alone. Cast down your pride, Your sin deplore, And bow before The Crucified.
5. And when in pow’r He comes, Oh, may our native land From all its rending tombs Send
forth a glorious band, A countless throng, With joy to sing To heav’n’s high King
Salvation’s song.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Please keep in your prayers: Robert Schiavo, Sharyn Oliver, Louise Merritt, Bob Malinsky, Dorothy Erickson, Joan Schrank, Lola Stopper, Irma Keil, Irmgard Ristau and Maurine Rathje.
2. Wednesday’s Bible Studies: Meeting ID on Zoom is 8133 807 5489. Join us and get the live session or download from our website and the archive. stjohnslutheranslc.org To join us for the Wednesday Bible Study just send an email to susan.roberts.utah@gmail.com for an email link.
3. We are still in basic lockdown for our services as per the state mandates. Stay safe; wear your mask for your sake and for the sake of others. Communion is available by request.
4. We now need our congregation and friends to take a good look at what St. John’s is about. You need to visit our website stjohnslutheranslc.org to see our new church image to the public. Questions, suggestions and corrections all help us improve our ministry to you and the public.
5. Offering donations may now be made on PayPal using our web page connection or your check should be made out to St. John’s Lutheran Church and mailed in. Yes, to do ministry we need your participation as you are able.
6. Our Church’s flat roof and Swamp Coolers need replacing. We have some money set aside for this but we are about \$25,000 short of being able to pay for this. This needs to be done this year so Church Council has set aside this as a designated fund and special need. Please consider donating to this needed project.
7. There is a lot of information and stories about the Covid 19 immunization shots and response. It is wise to remember to take all these stories with a grain of salt. The people in that industry only get to tell their stories by sensationalizing them. You don’t get just the facts. You get the hysteria historical, which is mostly historical ad-lib. If Presidents Biden and Trump can get it along with the Queen of England, Queen Elizabeth and the Pope, maybe you can too.