

# Vasa Lutheran Church

## *Healing on the Sabbath*

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**Sunday, February 2, 2025**

### **OPENING WORDS**

P: O Lord, let my soul rise up to meet you

**C: as the day rises to meet the sun.**

**Glory 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: Come let us sing to the Lord:

**C: let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
whose steadfast love is everlasting.

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God-with-us,

**we confess that we have turned away**

**those seeking shelter,**

**claiming there is no room when we have plenty.**

**We have made power and wealth our idols,**

**while you show us true glory: a baby in a manger.**

**We have overlooked the shepherds,**

**expecting good news in prettier packaging.**

**Too often, we have valued violence**

**instead of your peace.**

**Turn us from our ways to your ways.**

**Grant us the grace to begin again.**

**Free us from all that keeps us bound, and forgive our sin,**

**through Jesus Christ, who gives himself for us. Amen.**

Hear the good news and rejoice!

You are God's chosen ones,

holy and beloved, † forgiven in Christ,

and freed to respond in joy.

**Amen.**

# HYMN RESPONSE

## Let Us Go Now to the Banquet *Vamos todos al banquete*


*Refrain / Estribillo*



Va - mos to - dos al ban - que - te, a la  
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -  
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



re - te tie - ne un pues - to y\_u - na mi - sión.  
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -  
I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -  
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the  
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all



pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do a - le - gre la  
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm  
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be  
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -



*Refrain / Estribillo*

cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.  
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.  
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.  
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

2 *Dios invita a todos los pobres a esta mesa común por la fe, donde no hay acaparadores y a nadie le falta el conqué.* Estribillo

3 *Dios nos manda a hacer de este mundo una mesa donde haya igualdad, trabajando y luchando juntos, compartiendo la propiedad.* Estribillo

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Music: VAMOS TODOS AL BANQUETE, Guillermo Cuéllar, b. 1955  
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**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** Lord of the Sabbath, **your followers were told not to work on the Sabbath, and yet they boldly plucked grain to show that you are Lord of all. The world tells us not to rest on the Sabbath. Show us how to rest boldly, rejecting conventions that go against your will, and instead praying and resting as you did up on the mountain, for the glory of your word and work, Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 92**

**L: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,**

C: to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

**L: to declare your steadfast love in the morning,**

C: and your faithfulness by night,

**L: to the music of the lute and the harp,**

C: to the melody of the lyre.

**L: For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;**

C: at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

**L: How great are your works, O LORD!**

C: Your thoughts are very deep!

**L: The dullard cannot know, the stupid cannot understand this:**

C: though the wicked sprout like grass and all evildoers flourish,  
they are doomed to destruction forever,  
but you, O LORD, are on high forever.

**L: For your enemies, O LORD, for your enemies shall perish;**

C: all evildoers shall be scattered.

**L: But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox;**

C: you have poured over me fresh oil.

**L: My eyes have seen the downfall of my enemies;**

C: my ears have heard the doom of my evil assailants.

**L: The righteous flourish like the palm tree,**

C: and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

**L: They are planted in the house of the LORD;**

C: they flourish in the courts of our God.

**L: In old age they still produce fruit;**

C: they are always green and full of sap,

**L: showing that the LORD is upright;**

C: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

**GOSPEL READING: Luke 6:1-16** One sabbath while Jesus was going through the grainfields, his disciples plucked some heads of grain, rubbed them in their hands, and ate them. But some of the Pharisees said, "Why are you doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" Jesus answered, "Have you not read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? He entered the house of God and took and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and gave some to his companions?" Then he said to them, "The Son of Man is lord of the sabbath."

On another sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught, and there was a man there whose right hand was withered. The scribes and the Pharisees watched him to see whether he would cure on the sabbath, so that they might find an accusation against him. Even though he knew what they were thinking, he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come and stand here." He got up and stood there. Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to destroy it?" After looking around at all of them, he said to him, "Stretch out your hand." He did so, and his hand was restored. But they were filled with fury and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus. Now during those days he went out to the mountain to pray; and he spent the night in prayer to God. And when day came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles: Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, and James, and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Simon, who was called the Zealot, and Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

**SUNG RESPONSE**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**HYMN    O JESUS, JOY OF LOVING HEARTS    ELW 658**

**SERMON**

**HYMN    SON OF GOD, ETERNAL SAVIOR    ELW 655**

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**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 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.**

### **PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION**

Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Let us share God's peace with one another.

### **GENEROSITY MOMENT**

### **HOLY COMMUNION WITH THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,  
the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup  
we remember your Word dwelling among us,  
full of grace and truth.  
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.  
We look with hope for his coming.

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.  
Come among us.  
Bless this meal.  
May your Word take flesh in us.  
Awaken your people.  
Fill us with your light.  
Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours,  
Holy One of Israel,  
Word of God incarnate,  
Power of the Most High,  
one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

Give us the courage to follow in the footsteps of Christ,  
who taught us to pray, saying...

**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.**

### **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

*We will receive communion by intinction. All are welcome at the Lord's table. You don't need to be a member of Vasa, nor do you need to be a Lutheran to receive the body and blood of Christ today. Gluten free portions and non-alcoholic wine are available for those who have dietary restrictions. Children are welcome to come forward and will receive a blessing.*

## **BLESSING AND PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ be with you now and forever. Amen.

Merciful God, **we thank you for Jesus, who is our heavenly food. Strengthened by this goodness, send us forth to announce your peace, comfort the afflicted, and share the good news of great joy. Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN LORD, DISMISS US WITH YOUR BLESSING ELW 545**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BLESSING**

P: May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you:

**C: Wherever he may send you;**

P: May he guide you through the wilderness:

**C: Protect you through the storm;**

P: May he bring you home rejoicing:

**C: At the wonders he has shown you;**

P: May he bring you home rejoicing:

**C: Once again into our doors. Amen.**

### **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. The Word of God dwells in you richly.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



Paul Mikaelson, Jay Mikaelson, Scott Sorenson, Max Tilderquist, Anne Rathman, Lorrie Samuelson, Dale Anderson, Lynda Rosener Sack, Carolyn Lindstrom, Merle Pearson, Yvonne Belin, Sarah Jacobson Parker, Terri Fredin, and Terri Mandelkow.

### **Worship Assistants Today:**

**Usher:** Roger Guttromson

**Reader:** Tim Carlson

**Hospitality:** Dawn Lindstrom

**Comm Asst:** B-J Norman

### **Worship Assistants Next Week (February 9)**

**Usher:** Rick Samuelson

**Reader:** Barry Skog

**Hospitality:** Lora Gruber

Parish Pulse:

**January 22 & 26**

**Participating in Worship: 52**

+ 18 Live Stream

Total Offerings:

January 26: \$2,490.00

## **MUSIC FOR February 2, 2025**

### **LET US GO NOW TO THE BANQUET**

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### **JESUS, JOY OF LOVING HEARTS**

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; tr. Ray  
Palmer, 1808-1887, alt.

Music: W. Gardiner, Sacred Melodies, 1815

### **SON OF GOD, ETERNAL SAVIOR**

Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855-1932 Music: Oude  
en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen,  
17 arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932

### **LORD, DISMISS US WITH YOUR BLESSING**

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740-1817, sts. 1-2, alt.;  
Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 3, alt.

Music: Sicilian, 18th cent

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The Ages and Stages  
Bible Study will meet  
on Wednesday,  
February 5, 2025  
from 9:30-11:00.



We are in need of people who are available after  
church to help count offering on an **on-call basis**.  
This is **NOT** a monthly commitment at this time.  
See Kathy Tilderquist or call the office if you are  
able to help with this request.