

Vasa Lutheran Church
The Woman at the Well

Pastor Maureen Hagen

Accompanist: Anne Anderson

Sunday, January 30, 2022

ANNOUNCING THE DAY Psalm 42:1-3

L: As a deer longs for flowing streams,

C: so my soul longs for you, O God.

L: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

C: When shall I come and behold the face of God?

L: My tears have been my food day and night,

C: while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who sends the word with angels,
who is made flesh among all peoples,
and who breathes peace on all the earth.

Amen.

In Christ, we are bold to name our sin and cry out for peace.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,

we confess our sin before you.

We replace compassion with competition.

We seek what is mighty while ignoring the meek.

We are quick to anger but slow to forgive.

We have not put on love in harmony with you.

Wrap us in the grace of your powerful Word.

Swaddle our hearts with your peace,

that all we do, in word or deed,

may reflect your love born among us. Amen.

I bring you good news of great joy for all people:

God has come among us in the child born of Mary, Christ the Lord.

✠ In Christ your sins are forgiven and you are clothed in peace. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

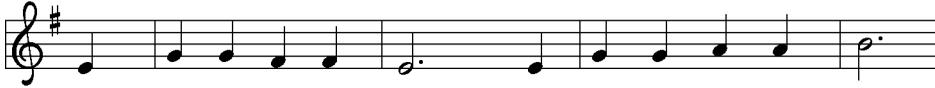
ALL WHO HUNGER, GATHER GLADLY

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God sent from heaven above, be with you all. **And also with you.**

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- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY: God of life, **Show us in your living water, bringing us to new life, fresh and clean. Walk with us as we share the knowledge of your living water with others, so that all might live. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: John 4:1-42

This reading can be found on page 864 of the pew Bible.

L: Word of God, word of life,

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN THE WATER GOD GIVES US

FOUNDATION ("How Firm a Foundation")

The water God gives us in wondrous supply
Is water that's living and never runs dry.
For everyone drinks and is thirsty again,
But God's living water gives life without end.

O God, we confess that we seek empty things;
We strive after wealth and the comfort it brings.
We buy things in hopes that our spirits will soar
Yet still we are thirsty and left wanting more.

Then just like that woman who went to the well,
We hear you, O Christ, and the truth that you tell.
You know who we are and you know what we've been;
You know us and love us in spite of our sin.

The gift that you give is the greatest of wealth;
You give living water! You give us yourself!
May we, like that woman, go back where we live
And tell those we know of the life that you give.

Biblical Reference: John 4:5-42

Tune: Traditional American melody ("How Firm a Foundation")

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SERMON

HYMN

FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL WOMEN

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We will sing stanzas 1, 2, 8, and the last.

CONFESSION OF FAITH using the words of the Apostles' Creed
**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. Please respond with: **hear our prayer.**

GENEROSITY MOMENT:

CONSECRATION OF COMMUNION ELEMENTS:

*We will serve communion using individual portions
and you may remain in your seats.*

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

We will sing the prayer today. Please refer to the gold insert.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION: *We will remain seated and use pre-packaged communion portions today.*

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.

PRAYER Most High God, **you have come among us at this table. By the Spirit’s power, form us to be bearers of your word, sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all, through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: GUIDE ME EVER, GREAT REDEEMER ELW 618

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of hope
fill us with all joy and peace in believing,
so that we may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Rejoice in Christ our Savior.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Scott Sorenson, Linda Thompson, Max Tilderquist, Irene Carpenter, Paul
Mikaelsen, Jay Mikaelsen, and Dan Hedeem.

Parish Pulse:
January 23, 2022
Participating in Worship: 33
+ 14 concurrent live-streams
+ 7 WEW January 26, 2022
Total Offerings: \$815.00.00

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS
Assisting Next Week:
Usher: Steve Hylengren
Reader: Volunteer Needed
Communion Asst: Joe Wollschlager



Volunteers Needed for Vasa Teams:

Vasa is in need of a "few good volunteers!" Specific needs include two people for the Property team, two people for the Parish Life team, one person for the Finance team, and one person for the Endowment team. Serving on these teams includes a responsibility to serve on the church council. Contact Barbara Weigman at barbara.weigman@gmail.com or 507-202-7880 for more details.



The Museum Board will meet Monday, February 7th at 6:30pm in the Lutheran Center. (Apologies to the Museum Board for not getting this on the Voice Calendar!)



Bible Study on the book of James continues in the Lutheran Center, beginning at 10:15 on Sunday mornings. We are studying Chapter 2 today.



Make sure to get your Community Dinner reservations to the office by NOON on February 2.

Tom Erickson, longtime organist at Vasa, has submitted his letter of resignation, effective at the end of the month. Austin Ferguson will be our guest organist on February 6th. The search for a new organist is underway, and Pastor Maureen hopes to have a replacement by March.

We, the Vasa Congregation,
Called by God, commit to:
Worshipping together,
Growing in Faith,
Serving Others,
Welcoming and Loving All.



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