

Vasa Lutheran Church

We come to you for forgiveness.....

Pastor Maureen Hagen

Organist-Austin Ferguson

Sunday, January 12, 2020

PRELUDE MUSIC

Berceuse, from *Jocelyn* - Benjamin Godard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCING THE DAY

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the eternal voice from heaven,
the anointed and beloved one,
the Spirit moving over the waters.

Amen.

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession,
trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God who searches us and knows us,
**you have shown us what is good,
but we have looked to other lights to find our way.
We have not been just in our dealings with others.
We have chosen revenge over mercy.
We have promoted ourselves
instead of walking humbly with you.
With what shall we come before you?
Forgive us our sin,
and show us your salvation
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved of God,
you have not received the spirit of the world,
but the Spirit that is from God,
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.
Receive the promise of baptism:
You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven.
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY ELW 587/88

GREETING

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

KYRIE: ELW 157

HYMN OF PRAISE NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION ELW 167

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Lord of forgiveness, **you healed a paralytic by forgiving his sins. Forgive us, heal us, and teach us to walk in your ways. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE: Mark 2:1-22



At the conclusion of the reading, the reader will say: Word of God, word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE FOR THE YOUNG AND THE YOUNG AT HEART:

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

ELW 838

SERMON

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: JUST AS I AM

ELW 592

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.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let's share God's peace with one another.

COLLECTION OF OUR GIFTS FOR GOD, including a GENEROSITY MOMENT

**OFFERING PRAYER: Generous God, you have given us life, this community,
and these gifts of the earth that become the meal of your grace. Move in our
hearts, that we might use your gifts to bring hope and blessing wherever we
go, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

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

SENDING HYMN WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME?

ELW 798

BLESSING

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God,
and the source of our life together,
keep you united in mind and purpose.
And the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Let your light shine!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE MUSIC

Largo, from *Xerxes* - G.F. Handel



Prayer Concerns: David Broin, Scott and Kerry Sorenson (sons of Sharyn),
Linda Thompson, Family of Debbie Ruby.

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Vasa Mission
We, the Vasa congregation,
called by God, commit to:
Worshipping together,
Growing in Faith
Serving others, and
Welcoming and Loving all!

This Week at Vasa

(Church office hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs 9-1)

Sunday, January 12

9:00 am Service of The Word

9:00 am Sunday School

Tuesday, January 14

9:30 am Tuesday AM Coffee

Wednesday, January 15

5:15 pm Children's Faith Formation

6:15 pm Worship + Everyday Bible
Conversation

7:15 pm Confirmation Class

Sunday, January 19

9:00 am Service of Holy Communion

9:00 am Sunday School

10:30 am Take down Christmas Tree



We will be taking apart the Christmas tree after worship on Sunday, January 19th. Taking down the tree isn't difficult but it makes a big difference when it's time to assemble it again if it is properly organized and stored. You can help us with that task.



Shirts for Veterans: We collected 47 shirts and t-shirts for veterans during the month of November!

January 8 Community Dinner: We served 151 at the Lutheran Center, delivered 59 meals to our shut-ins, and prepared 10 take-out meals!!



Over the next few weeks, Emily will be updating the church website with current information and events. If you DO NOT wish for your photo, or a photo of your child to be on the website, please call or email the office and let her know.



Vasa Lutheran Church is hosting another American Red Cross Blood Drive at the Lutheran Center on January 23 from 1-7 pm. Stop in, give blood and save lives!

PARISH PULSE UPDATE

December 22, 2019

Participating at worship: 49

Offerings: \$4,841.00

December 24, 2019

Participating at worship: 142 (97 @ 2PM; 45 @ 5PM)

Offerings: \$3,780.25

December 29, 2019

Participating at worship: 29

Offerings: \$970.00

January 5, 2020

Participating at worship: 52

Offerings: \$2,092.25