

BLESSED SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019

An outline of today's sermon

"HERE WE SING WITH ANGELS"

Text: Isaiah 6:1 – 6: In the year King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of the Robe filled the temple... See, this has touched your lips. Your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."

INTRODUCTION – We sing, of course with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven here, every Sunday. The "Sanctus" (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the portion of our liturgy composed by the Lord God of Sabaoth himself! Just like Isaiah we see the Lord in his temple, and just like Isaiah, we feel totally inadequate in this holy place, in the presence of God. And again, just as Isaiah was cleansed, we too are cleansed and commissioned to proclaim God's Word to the people of the world.

1 – The Sanctus in Solomon's Temple.

2 – The Sanctus at our Altar.

3 – In Heaven – the combined choir!

4 – The issue of sin.

5 – A sinner in the presence of the Holy Lord God.

6 – A Sunday School lesson on sin.

7 – Adam and Eve pop up in Isaiah's mind.

8 – Guilt and sin are taken away.

CONCLUSION – We are born with the original sin. Guilt and corruption are the two parts of this sin. We have offended God and we are prone to sin some more every day. The purifying fire of God, interestingly in the waters of Holy Baptism, accomplished for us what the live coal did for Isaiah: "Your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." So, what are we waiting for?

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Jesus Comforts His People and Builds Up His Church by the Ministry of His Gospel

When Isaiah “*saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up,*” he was overcome with an awareness of his sin and “*unclean lips*” (Is. 6:1, 5). But the Lord atoned for his sin, took away his guilt and sanctified his lips with “*a burning coal*” from the altar (Is. 6:6–7). Not only was he rescued from death, but he was called and sent as a prophet of the Lord’s Word (Is. 6:8–9). Similarly, when Simon Peter and his companions “*enclosed a large number of fish*” at the Word of Jesus, he humbled himself and said, “*Depart from me, for I am a sinful man*” (Luke 5:4–8). But Jesus comforted Simon, called him to discipleship and declared that he would be “*catching men*” (Luke 5:10–11). So in the Office of the Ministry, the Church remains the little boat from which Jesus teaches His people (Luke 5:3). Thus are we instructed in the faith, so that we say “Amen” and return thanks with heart, mind, tongue and life. For the preaching of Christ Jesus is a manifestation of the Holy Spirit, by which He builds up His Church on earth (1 Cor. 14:12–19).

SERVICE AND SCHEDULE INFORMATION

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY led by Pastor Sander will start a new video series of eight sessions with Dr. Paul Maier - “Jesus, Legend or Lord?” on February 3. Until then, we will continue to read the Book of Acts.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY Join us for a new Bible Study on Sunday mornings that explores the theories of evolution and how God's creation and salvation are linked in the person of Jesus Christ. We will meet in the library.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is led by Pastor Sander at 6:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. Any early risers are welcome!

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY meets every Tuesday at 9:15am and 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall and is focusing on the book “Stuck: The Places We Get Stuck and the God Who Sets Us Free.” All ladies are

welcome to join us! If you have small children at home, you are more than welcome to bring them along!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY We will be studying 1st & 2nd Corinthians. All are invited to attend as we read and discuss Holy Scriptures and applications for our daily life. The class meets from 7:00PM until 8:00PM each Wednesday.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY Pastor Sander leads this Bible Study on the *Old Testament* at 9:30AM in the Fellowship Hall, currently studying the book of *Psalms*. Everyone is welcome.

CHARITABLE INFORMATION

OUR SPECIAL MISSIONS for the first quarter is Concordia Publishing-Brazil. Our gifts will go for the publication of a book by John Kleinig: “Grace Upon Grace.” If you’d like to read this book in English, speak to Pastor Sander.

CHURCH INFORMATION

SPOTLIGHT ON...ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL We highly value Lutheran education, and we are excited to spotlight all the different Lutheran schools that we support! This week, we spotlight St. Paul's Lutheran School, located in West Allis. St. Paul's currently has 143 students enrolled in K-8th grade, 1 of whom is our member! As a school, they serve both the faith community and society by forming students to become active and caring members of the community, city and nation in which they live. As a congregation, we support any family that chooses to attend SPL by covering the difference between the member and non-member tuition rate. Today we are honored to welcome Mr. Jack Burkee, Principal of St. Paul's, who will briefly update us on all the exciting things happening there. He and our St. Paul's family and alumni are excited to answer any questions you may have.

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY We are excited to offer our Tuesday Ladies Bible Study at two separate times! We will still hold our class at 9:15am, but we will also hold one at 7pm. Join us for whichever one fits your schedule best! We are beginning a new study on "Stuck: The Places We Get Stuck and the God Who Sets Us Free." The book is provided, just bring your Bible!

YOUNG @HEARTERS Come and have some fun making a Valentine project with our little friends who go to school downstairs at our church. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 am on February 14. After we are finished with the project and have decorated a cookie, we will enjoy more fellowship with each other at the New Berlin Ale House for lunch. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. See you on Valentine's Day.

SPAGHETTI DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION Please make plans to join us for our Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction on March 3, hosted by the youth that are attending the 2019 National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis! For just \$10/person, you'll enjoy a tasty lunch, fun games and a silly photobooth! Kids 3 and under eat for free. Tickets are on sale now! Get yours by visiting the table in the hallway or calling Jaime Greene in the church office. Hurry! The price goes up to \$15/ticket the day of the event!

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS for 2018 have been placed in your church mailboxes. If you have any questions please contact our Assistant Treasurer, Kathy Wrycha, at (262) 786-6465 ext. 13 or kwrycha@bslc-wi.org

BUTTONS We are looking for green, white and clear buttons for a project that we'll be doing in March as a church family. If you have any green (any shade!), white or clear buttons that we can use, please place them in the vase that is sitting on the table by the windows in the Narthex. Thank you! And be sure to watch the bulletin for information on our 5th Sunday Family Day that we'll have at the end of March!

RADIO CHURCH SERVICES

*SUN 6:30AM—WTMJ (AM 620) LUTHERAN HOUR &
SUN 7:00AM—WJYI (AM 1340) LUTHERAN RADIO*