

NAZARETH LUTHERAN CHURCH of SOUTH BRISBANE
SERVICE WITHOUT HOLY COMMUNION

With Pastor Martin Scharke

5th Sunday after Epiphany —5th February, 2023

HYMNS: 505, 804, 358, 346

“Be Alive in Christ and make Him known”

We do this by
Growing spiritually in God's Word
Allowing God to use us to grow His Church by
Being Christ focused/Being Community/Being Inclusive

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Welcome to all newcomers!

We invite you to join in fellowship with a cuppa after service.

Welcome

P: When you call, the Lord will answer;

C: when you cry for help, he will say, Here I am.
(Isa 58:9 NRSV)

Invocation

♪P: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

♪C: Amen.

 Hymn No: 505 Father, who the light this day

Confession of Sins and Absolution

P: Dear friends in Christ: let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

♪P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

♪C: He made heaven and earth.

♪P: I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

♪C: Then he forgave the guilt of my sin.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor helpless sinner, confess to you all my sins, and repent of all the evil I have done. I have deeply displeased you and deserve your punishment in time and in eternity. But I am sorry for my sins, and I ask you, for the sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death of your dear Son Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me. Amen.

P: I ask each of you in the presence of God who searches the heart:
Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?
I do.

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins,
and do you desire forgiveness in his name? **I do.**

P: Do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as in God's
presence, and to strive daily to lead a holy life, even as Christ has made
you holy? **I do.**

P: Christ gave to his church the authority to forgive the sins of those who repent, and to declare to those who do not repent that their sins are not forgiven. Therefore, upon your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and on behalf of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

P: Peace be with you.

C: Amen.

Psalm No: 112



Cantor: Light dawns for the righteous in the darkness.

ANTIPHON: Light dawns for the righteous in the darkness.

Cantor: Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in his commandments. Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.

ANTIPHON: Light dawns for the righteous in the darkness.

Cantor: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous. It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

ANTIPHON: Light dawns for the righteous in the darkness.

Cantor: For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever. They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord.

ANTIPHON: Light dawns for the righteous in the darkness.

Cantor: Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes. They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honour. The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away; the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

ANTIPHON: Light dawns for the righteous in the darkness.

♫C: Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for evermore. Amen.

 Kyrie

♫ALL: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

Doxology

♫P: Glory to God in the highest

♫C: and on earth peace, among those with whom he is pleased. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly king, God, the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us. For you alone are holy, you alone are Lord, you alone, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

♫P: The Lord be with you.

♫C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day – (Collect)

P: Let us pray for faith in Christ.

C: Almighty and merciful God, you sent your only Son as the word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe with joy what the Scriptures proclaim. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.


 First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a The Lord desires kindness and justice

After the reading: This is the Word of the Lord

Please respond: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 Christ crucified – God's power and wisdom

After the reading: This is the word of the Lord.

 C♫ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-20 You are salt of the earth and light for the world

Before the reading  **C** Glory be to you, O Lord.

After the reading  **C** Praise be to you, O Christ.

C: Thank you, Lord Jesus, for fulfilling the law and the prophets.
Make us faithful in doing what God requires, so that we may be salt and light in the world. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed


All: 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, dead, and 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.

  Hymn No: 804 The Church of Christ, in every age

Sermon

  Hymn No: 358 Renew me, O eternal Light

Offertory Prayer

 **C**: What can I offer to the Lord: for all his goodness to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation: and call on the name of the Lord. I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving: and call on the name of the Lord. I will keep my promises to the Lord: in the presence of all his people; In the courts of the house of the Lord: in your midst, O Jerusalem.

P: Almighty God, we thank you that you have revealed your wisdom, the wisdom of Christ crucified. Teach us to live as your people. Make us salt and light in the world, and help us to give of ourselves to those in need.
Amen.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Church

The response to each petition:

P: Lord, in your mercy

C: hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come; your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

♪P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favour † and give you peace.

♪C: Amen. Amen. Amen.

 ♪ Hymn No: 346 Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go