

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

St. John's Lutheran Church

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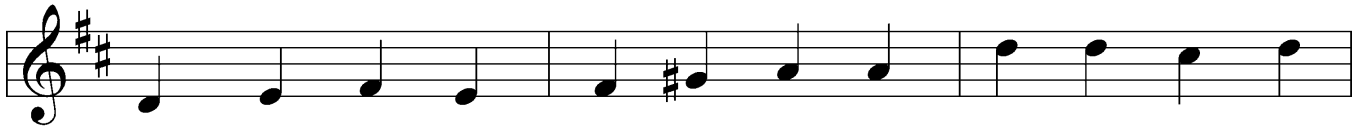
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January 23-24, 2021

THE PRELUDE: "Hail, O Source of Every Blessing" *arranged by Paul Soulek*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

Hymn of Invocation: 409 "Hail, O Source of Every Blessing"



1 Hail, O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Fa - ther of our
2 Once far off but now in - vit - ed, We ap - proach Your
3 Hail, O all - in - vit - ing Sav - ior! Gen - tiles now their



hu - man race! Gen - tiles now, Your grace pos - sess - ing, In Your
sa - cred throne, In Your cov - e - nant u - nit - ed, Rec - on -
of - f'rings bring, In Your tem - ples seek Your fa - vor, Je - sus



courts ob - tain a place. Grate - ful now, we fall be - fore You,
ciled, re - deemed, made one. Now re - vealed to east - ern sa - ges,
Christ, our Lord and King. May we, bod - y, soul, and spir - it,



In Your Church re - joice to live, See Your glo - ry
See the Star of Mer - cy shine, Mys - t'ry hid in
Live de - vot - ed to Your praise, Glo - rious realms of



and a - dore You, Thank - ful for the grace You give.
for - mer a - ges, Mys - t'ry great of love di - vine.
bliss in - her - it, Grate - ful an - thems ev - er raise.

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Please stand if you are able

P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

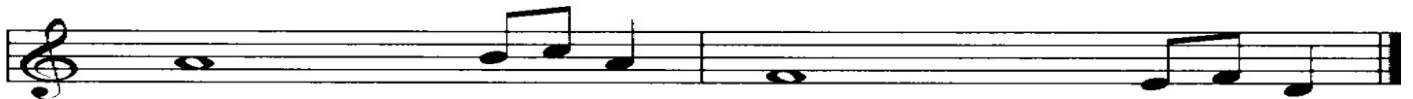
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C **Amen.**

Introit: Psalm 113



From the rising of the sun to its setting,	the name of the LORD is to be praised!
Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD,	praise the name of the LORD!
Blessèd be the name of the LORD	from this time forth and for- ev-er-more!
The LORD is high above all nations,	and His glory above the heavens!
He raises the poor from the dust	and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes,	with the princes of His people.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son	and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the be- ginning,	is now, and will be forever. Amen.
From the rising of the sun to its setting,	the name of the LORD is to be praised!

Kyrie (*we sing the responses*)

A In peace let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord, have mer-cy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C **A-men.**

This Is the Feast (page 171) (*sung*)

A This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom, and strength, and honor and blessing, and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. C (*sung*) And also with you.

P Let us pray together the Collect of the Day.

C Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (*please be seated*)

The Old Testament Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that He had said He would do to them, and He did not do it. A This is the Word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual

Praise the LORD, all nations! **Extol Him, all peoples!**

For great is His steadfast love toward us, **and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; **bring an offering and come into His courts!**

The Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand if you are able. Alleluia and Verse: (sung)

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter. **C (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.**

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men." And immediately they left their nets and followed Him. And going on a little farther, He saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed Him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C (sung) Praise to You, O Christ.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: (10:30 a.m.) Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Apostles' Creed

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, died and was 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.

Please be seated

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **Children's Message Song: "Who Was the Man?"**

Oh, who was the man, two thousand years ago Who walked in Galilee,
 Who said to the fishermen mending their nets, "Rise up and follow Me.
 Oh, rise up and follow, rise up and follow, Rise up and follow Me."

They followed Him down through village and town, And wondered at the words He said
 As He healed the lame and the sick and the blind, and even raised the dead.
 "Oh, rise up and follow, rise up and follow, Rise up and follow Me."

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Hymn of the Day: 839 "O Christ, Our True and Only Light"



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en
 2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now
 3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may
 4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the
 5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now
 lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose
 find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science
 wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who
 won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - joice.
 in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
 sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
 walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,
 You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

SERMON: “Jesus Calls Us to Follow Him” Mark 1:14-20

Prayer of the Church (*Please stand if you are able.*)

HEALING AND COMFORT: Ed Luttman, Barb Ladwig, Joan Prigge, Fred Buch, Dennis Deterding, Jim Cox, Lori Rees, David Burgdorf, Jackie Quintin; *Family and Friends of St. John’s Members:* Lori Voges, Roger Drinnon, Sr., Barb Niermann, Boniface Becker, Merlin Liefer, Doug Whelan, Brenda Manning, Judy Hackstadt, Wayne Collmeyer, Max Schrader, Velma Koenig, Rev. Timothy Scharr. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: (*Please call with names.*) Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Nathan Koen, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Jeremiah Brandt, Benjamin Boeder, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss, Joshua Cox; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Tailor Neuhaus, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure

EMERGENCY PERSONNEL: Fire/EMS- Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Chad Grohmann, Curt Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Kenny Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser; Police- Abigail Brundage, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Jason Palm (*Please call our office with names*)

+the ministry of Lutheran Schools including our St. John’s Elementary and Christ Our Savior High School
+on this Life Sunday we pray for the defense of God’s gift of life in all of its stages in our nation

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, heavenly Father, You desire not the death of a sinner but that all would repent and believe the Gospel. In the epiphany of Your Son, Your time of salvation and Your kingdom have come near. As this world passes away, give faithfulness and urgency to Your Church to proclaim the Gospel of our God to all people. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of the harvest, as You called Simon Peter and Andrew, James and John to follow You and made them fishers of men, so send faithful preachers of Your Gospel in our time. Increase the spirit of generosity to all who support the missionaries, seminaries, colleges and other institutions of our Church for the spread of the Gospel and the service of the Church. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Lord, in view of every current distress as the present form of this world passes away, give constancy and contentment to Your people in their God-given stations. Give comfort and faithfulness to the married and strengthen them to pass on the faith to the next generation. Show kindness also to the unmarried and assure them of the holiness of their

place in life, that they would be freed from anxiety and attend to holiness in body and spirit, undividedly devoted to You. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, preserve our nation with its rulers. Call to repentance those who have forgotten You. Spare our president, our governor; and all who serve for the good of this people. Protect and defend all public servants who protect and defend us, including our armed forces, police and first responders. Do not let disaster befall us but preserve us in peace and quietness. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father, turn us from every distracting anxiety and the dealings of this world that would draw our hearts away from Your blessed Gospel and its end, our eternal life. Give us confidence in the resurrection and the peace of a clean conscience by the forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name. Grant us protection and relief from this Covid-19 pandemic. We thank You for Your constant watch and merciful kindness, as shown to us through the ministry of healthcare personnel. Graciously behold and help all those for whom we pray *especially* Ed, Barb, Joan, Fred, Dennis, Jim, Lori, David, Jackie, Lori, Roger, Barb, Boniface, Merlin, Doug, Brenda, Judy, Wayne, Max, Velma, Timothy and those we now name in the silence of our own hearts. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of all knowledge, we pray that You would bless all those who teach and all those who learn. We thank You for the ministry of our Lutheran schools which educate in the understanding of Your creation, which inform in the affairs of this world, and which inspire in the faith revealed to us in Your Word. We are grateful for and pledge our support to the Christian education that takes place in our own St. John's Elementary and Christ Our Savior Lutheran schools. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, open our eyes to behold Your great love toward us in the humility of Your Son and to know Him in the least ones, respecting and defending their lives while unborn, despite physical or mental limitations, and during their frail years, that we may serve You by serving our most defenseless neighbors, until You gather us together to rejoice as brothers and sisters in Your everlasting kingdom of life; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

(10:30 a.m.) Gracious Lord, in Your Holy Sacrament You deliver the Gospel proclaimed by Your Son and won by His death in His true body and blood. Work repentance and faith in all who commune, and unite them in a sincere confession of Your divine truth at this altar. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**

Offertory (page 176) (*sung*)

C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Non-Communion Services continue here

Lord remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray **The 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.**

Closing Collect And Benediction

Pastor: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **People: Amen.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. **C (sung) A-men.**

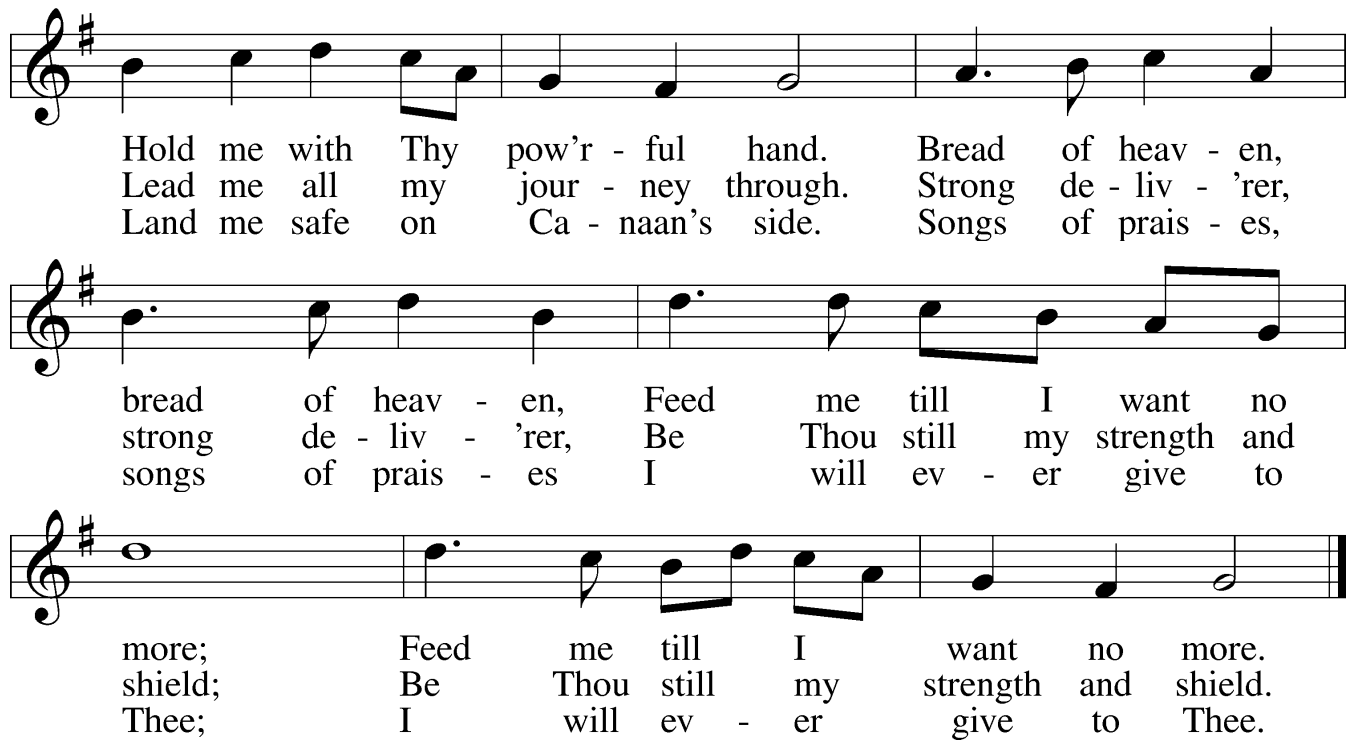
Closing Hymn: 918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,
bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to
more; shield; Feed me till I want no more.
Thee; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to Thee.

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The Postlude: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"*arranged by Wilbur Held*

(10:30 a.m.) Service of the Sacrament

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION: In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The individual cups of white wine in the center of the cup tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this. For more information about this sacrament, please see pages 326-327 and 329-330 of *Lutheran Service Book*.

Preface (*we speak the responses*)

P The Lord be with you. C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; for You have mightily governed and protected Your holy Church, in which the blessed apostles and evangelists proclaimed Your divine and saving Gospel. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (*sung*)

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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.

The Words of Our Lord and the Pax Domini

P ...The peace of the Lord be with you always. C (sung) Amen.

Agnus Dei (*sung*)

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated

Distribution (Lord Jesus, I pray You to make me, unworthy as I am, worthy through Your grace; so that Your body and Your blood may be for me a strengthening of my faith, a proof of my forgiveness, a closer union with You and Your people, an increase of holiness, the basis of a glad resurrection, and a pledge of everlasting life. Amen.)

Hymn: 856 “O Christ, Who Called the Twelve”



1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and fol - low You, For -
 2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for a - ges sealed, Whose
 3 O Christ, who led the Twelve A - mong the des - o - late And
 4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd nev - er trod To



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For ven - tures bold and new:
 words and works a - wak - ened faith, The ways of God re - vealed:
 broke as bread of life for all Your love com - pas - sion - ate:
 serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim The near - er reign of God:



Grant us to hear Your call To risk se - cu - ri - ty And,
 In - struct us now, we pray, By Your em - pow'r - ing Word. True
 Lead us a - long the ways Where hope has near - ly died And
 Send us on ways where faith Tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, Where



bound in heart and will to You, Find per - fect lib - er - ty.
 teach - er, be for all who seek Their light, their life, their Lord.
 help us climb the lone - ly hills Where love is cru - ci - fied.
 love in - forms and hope sus - tains Both life and min - is - try.

5 O Christ, the _apostles' Lord, The martyrs' strength and song,
 The crucified and risen King To whom the saints belong:
 Though generations pass, Our tribute still we bring,
 Our hymns a sacrifice of praise, Our lives an offering.

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Hymn: 396 "Arise and Shine in Splendor"



1 A - rise and shine in splen - dor; Let night to day sur -
 2 See earth in dark - ness ly - ing, The hea - then na - tions
 3 The world's re - mot - est rac - es, Up - on whose wea - ry
 4 Lift up your eyes in won - der— See, na - tions gath - er



ren - der. Your light is draw - ing near. A - bove, the
 dy - ing In hope - less gloom and night. To you the
 fac - es The sun looks from the sky, Shall run with
 yon - der From sin to be set free. The world has



day is beam - ing, In match - less beau - ty
 Lord of heav - en— Your life, your hope— has
 zeal un - tir - ing, With joy Your light de -
 heard Your sto - ry; Her sons come to Your



gleam - ing; The glo - ry of the Lord is here.
 giv - en Great glo - ry, hon - or, and de - light.
 sir - ing That breaks up - on them from on high.
 glo - ry; Her daugh - ters haste Your light to see.

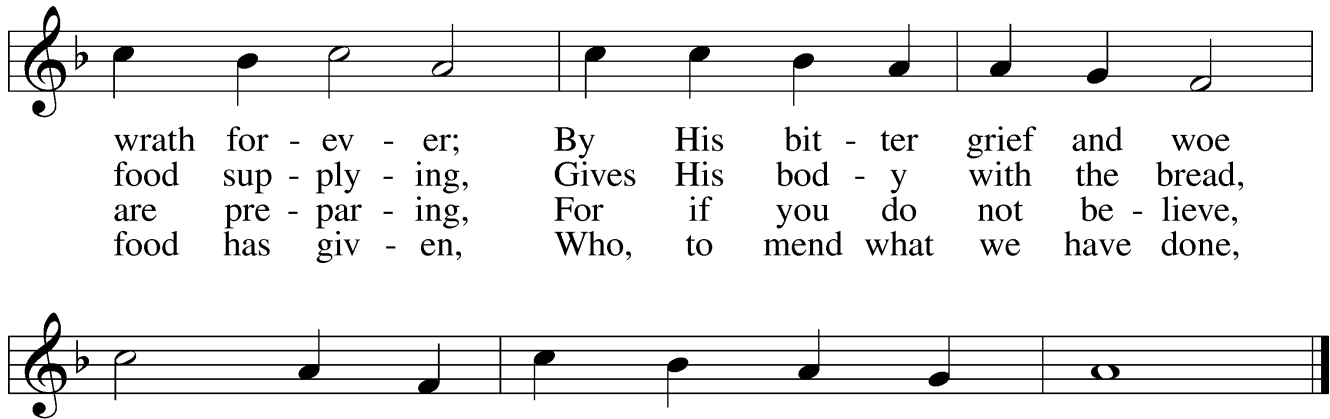
5 Your heart will leap for gladness When from the realms of sadness
 They come from near and far. Your eyes will wake from slumber
 As people without number Rejoice to see the Morning Star.

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Hymn: 627 "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior"



1 Je - sus Christ, our bless - ed Sav - ior, Turned a - way God's
 2 As His pledge of love un - dy - ing, He, this pre - cious
 3 Je - sus here Him - self is shar - ing; Heed then how you
 4 Praise the Fa - ther, who from heav - en To His own this



wrath for - ev - er; By His bit - ter grief and woe
 food sup - ply - ing, Gives His bod - y with the bread,
 are pre - par - ing, For if you do not be - lieve,
 food has giv - en, Who, to mend what we have done,

He saved us from the e - vil foe.
 And with the wine the blood He shed.
 His judg - ment then you shall re - ceive.
 Gave in - to death His on - ly Son.

- 5 Firmly hold with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken
By the sick who are distressed, By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 6 Agony and bitter labor Were the cost of God's high favor;
Do not come if you suppose You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor:
Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying If not for your justifying?
And what use this precious food If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses,
You will be your Savior's guest, Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 Let this food your faith so nourish That its fruit of love may flourish
And your neighbor learn from you How much God's wondrous love can do.

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May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you faithful to life everlasting. Go in His peace. Amen.

Please stand if you are able.

Post-Communion Cantic: Nunc Dimittis (page 182) (*sung*)

**C Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry
people: A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.
Glory be 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.**

Post-Communion Collect and Benediction

A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** (*sung*) **Amen.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. **C** (*sung*) **A-men.**

Closing Hymn: 918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re-deem-er, Pil-grim through this
 2 O-pen now the crys-tal foun-tain Whence the heal-ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor-dan, Bid my anx-ious
 bar-ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might-y;
 stream doth flow; Let the fi-ery, cloud-y pil-lar
 fears sub-side; Death of death and hell's de-struc-tion,
 Hold me with Thy pow'r-ful hand. Bread of heav-en,
 Lead me all my jour-ney through. Strong de-liv-'rer,
 Land me safe on Ca-naan's side. Songs of prais-es,
 bread of heav-en, Feed me till I want no
 strong de-liv-'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
 songs of prais-es I will ev-er give to
 more; shield; Feed me till I want no more.
 Thee; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev-er give to Thee.

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The Postlude: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

arranged by Wilbur Held

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This Week With Our Lord, January 24-31, 2021

(When activities are going on in the Fellowship Hall, the sanctuary is available for prayer and meditation.)

SUNDAY, January 24-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service
 9:25 a.m. Sunday School classes in new gym
 9:30 a.m. New Member Welcome in the Fellowship Hall
 10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
 1:00 p.m. Annual Voters Assembly meeting in the sanctuary
 3:00 p.m. Call Committee meeting in the school library

Monday, January 25- *National Lutheran Schools' Week*

3:00 p.m. School faculty meeting in the library
 6:30 p.m. Sunday School teachers meeting in the school library
 7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school's music room

Tuesday, January 26-

12:30 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 27-

8:30 a.m. Grades 3-8 School Chapel in the new gym with Mrs. Schnepel
 9:00 a.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall
 9:30 a.m. Office Staff meeting
 2:15 p.m. Public School Confirmation classes in the Fellowship Hall
 7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (1st Samuel)

Thursday, January 28-

8:10 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Luke)
 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

Friday, January 29-

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel service in the new gym

Saturday, January 30-

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Summer Luttman

SUNDAY, January 31-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Eve Schwartzkopf
 9:25 a.m. Sunday School & Faith/Pandemic Class in new gym
 9:30 a.m. Adult and Youth Bible classes in the Fellowship Hall
 10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Natalie Korando
 6:00 p.m. Sonshine Visitation meeting in the Fellowship Hall

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-3873 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 259; Holy Communion: 118; Adults & Youth: 43; Sunday School students: 38

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 1/10- General Fund: \$8,251; Automatic Giving: \$5,690; Sunday School: \$200; School: \$860. *"Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. And thereby put Me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need."* (Malachi 3:10)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources*

Mark 1:14-15 "... Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.'" To repent means to turn away from sins and our former way of thinking and turn toward belief in God and His Gospel of grace and mercy. The whole Christian life is one of repentance and faith. Where is God calling you to repent today? How is He calling you to deeper faith?

OFFERING ENVELOPES:

Boxes of offering envelopes are on the tables in the Fellowship Hall. Please take yours and any for family members not able to be in worship with us. If you do not see a box for yourself, please call our office at 282-2394 and ask Julie for one. Thank you!

NEW BANNER:

We have a new Epiphany banner in the chancel given by Linda and Willie Guebert in loving memory of their daughter Karin Whelen. Thank you for this gift!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

Jesus' parables draw His followers out of the crowd and into the circle of His disciples. Listen to "Why Jesus Told Parables" (Mark 4) with Speaker Dr. Michael Ziegler on KFUD AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. (KSIV 1320 AM or 91.5 FM).

ADDITION TO WORSHIP PRAYERS:

If you are or have in your family an emergency responder or healthcare worker whose position has become especially difficult during this time of pandemic, please call or email our office so that we can list the name of that person in our group prayers much like we remember our nation's military personnel.

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES: *(9:30 to 10:15 a.m.)*

Sunday Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets with Pastor Nebel again next Sunday with the topic, "Fear or Faith; Terror or Trust? Worldly Worry or Christian Living." DCE Bill Becker also will then continue his class called "Faith in the Shadow of a Pandemic." This is in the Junior High wing of the new part of the school.

ZOOM BIBLE CLASS OFFERING:

Seminarian Wade Waterstreet is offering a Zoom Bible Class on Saturdays from 4-4:40 p.m. To be part of “Stump the Seminarian” please send an email to him at waterstreetw@csl.edu and he will send you a weekly Zoom link.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME:

Between services this weekend we will recognize those new members of St. John’s in 2020 by Holy Baptism, Adult Confirmation, Profession of Faith or transfer. Those in charge of our congregational organizations will make presentations. Refreshments will be served.

Baptisms- Oliver Nathan Brown, Brynlee Jo Durbin, Waylynn Elyse Ebers, Eve Amelia Guebert, Lillian Mae Guebert, Harper Jean Kennedy, Jonah Daniel Liefer, Nolan Ralph Liefer, Kate Rene Rippelmeyer, Brenlee Susanne Stenzel, Sophia Lynn Uffelmann, Henry James Veath, Langston Albert Wiegard

Transfers- Dorothy Byers, Connie Pillar and Deb Reaves

VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING:

Our annual Voters Assembly meeting will be this Sunday, January 24 at 1 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Election of officers and board members will take place then.

BALLOT FOR 2021 (with open spots for more nominees)

Chairman:	_____	Bruce Schneider	
Vice-Chairman:	Gary Buatte	Darren Liefer	
Treasurer:	_____	Ray Wagner	
Secretary:	_____	Joan Ruwald	
Elders:	Larry Gielow	Kevin Guebert	Gerald Hanebutt
(Vote 3)	Kalin Liefer	_____	_____
Trustees:	Mark Guebert	Kenneth Langrehr	
(Vote 2)	Bart Miller	Mark Vogt	
Education:	Devon Albert	Chad Crafton	
(Vote 2)	Andrew Langrehr	Josh Voss	
Finance:	Melonie Bolinger	Brenda Gilpatrick	Crystal Liefer
(Vote 3)	Connie Muench	Kathleen Salger	Ryan Valleroy
Estate Fund:	Clyde Rowold	Kara Wagner	
COSLHS:	Lynn Langrehr	Kathy Valleroy	

The Installation of those newly elected or re-elected at this meeting will take place in our 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday, January 31.

DIVINE CALL PROPOSAL:

Another topic for our Voters meeting is a proposal to enter into a dual parish arrangement with St. John in Baldwin for the purpose of calling a Split-time Pastor who will serve us as an Associate Pastor and serve the Baldwin congregation as its Sole Pastor (they have been vacant since November 1). We would extend this call for a spring placement seminary graduate. For us this would replace our arrangement with Rev. Clifford Adair as our part-time Assistant to the Pastor.

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK - JANUARY 24- 30, 2021

Monday- “Jesus: Sent To Serve” Beach Day-Wear bright colored shirts OR shirts with flowers on it. Sunglasses / Beach hat. NO flip-flops or sandals

Tuesday- “Sent to Serve in the World” Tourist Day- Wear a shirt from a vacation spot you have gone. Sports shirts can also be worn.

Wednesday- “Serving Together on God’s Team” 100th Day of school- Decades Day- Wear or bring your 100th day shirt from Kindergarten

Thursday- “Serving in Home & Community” Dress Like Your Parent. How does your mom, dad, grandmas, or grandpas dress for work? What do they wear when they get ‘dressed up’?

Friday- “Pastors and Teachers: Sent to Serve” Students dress like the Teachers/Pastor & Teachers/Pastor dress like the students. Wear a School Theme Shirt. Wear a Christian Shirt

LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK DONATION ITEMS:

Monday: light-weight bath size towel (between 20” x 40” & “52 x “27), dark color preferred

Tuesday: 2 or 3 bath size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz. Any brand in original wrapping

Wednesday: 1 adult size toothbrush in its original packaging

Thursday: 1 sturdy comb (remove packaging)

Friday- if you forgot to bring your previous items, please bring them to school today!

POSITION AVAILABLE:

We are looking for a part-time custodian to begin in February for the school. The hours are noon to 4 p.m. starting at minimum wage. We desire a person who is conscientious in work skills, cares about maintenance and cleanliness, is a team player and respects the health and safety of our student body. Please call John Preston (282-7783) or Mrs. Schneider at school (282-3873) if you are interested.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

+St. John’s member Joan Voges offers music CDs from her Lilyfields Collection to us for a donation to our school’s ministry. You can pick up copies from the table in the entryway.

+Former St. John’s member Bryan Perdue has a new CD of music available called, “Freely Given Freely Received.” This, plus a few of his earlier CDs also are available on the table in the entryway for a \$10 donation to our congregation’s debt reduction.

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. If you would like to serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at 618/521-7417 or dvheller@htc.net. Call our office if you would like to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective* (James 5:16).

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, David Burgdorf, Wilma Wagner, Jody Winkelmann;
Waterloo Garden Place- Alice Smith; Ruma R&R- Fern Schnepel, Willard Uffelmann;

Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care, Waterloo- Cecelia Lautenschlaeger

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Doris Mueller, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Elda Seders, Gloria Stellhorn, Wilma Stellhorn, Norma Vogt, Arlin and Helen Winkelman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Kathryn Chunn, Larry Ebers, Don and Betty Fausz, Willie Guebert, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth and Geri Koester, Donald Kueker, Omer and Neva Liefer, Orville Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttman, Jean Menke, Edna Moeller.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

1/25- Arlene Pratt, Fred Salger, Stuart Langrehr, Dak Rainey; 1/26- Hal Mueth, Amber Stenzel, Trisha Ruebusch, Mallory Arbeiter; 1/27- Kathy Grohmann, Shawn DeRousse, Joshua DeRousse, Kaleb Barriger, Adam Kiefer, Grace Guebert; 1/28- Evelyn Muench, Harper Kennedy; 1/29- Tony Schrader, Bethany Whelan, Dax Liefer; 1/30- Cindy Steele, Chad Todaro, Cari Lucht, Gage Baldwin; 1/31- Charles Guebert, Linda Birkner, Travis Burmester, Sophia Liefer, Emily Bowles. *Please call the office for corrections!*

PARISH NURSE NOTE: from LCMS *Better Health*

Do Unto Others- Studies have shown that putting the well-being of others before our own without expecting anything in return benefits our well-being. A Yale University study showed that participants who opened the door for someone else or put money into expired parking meters, or did other helpful acts felt less stressed on those days.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio, AM850 & kfuo.org, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on **AM850 & kfuo.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUO and kfuo.org study Mark 3-4 on Sharper Iron's "The Gospel in Action" with Pastor Timothy Appel and guests (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), study 2 Corinthians 10-12 on Thy Strong Word with host Pastor Brady Finnern and guests (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and worship with us in Daily Chapel at 10:00 a.m. Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or on your podcast app!

ISSUES, ETC:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Conversion of Paul, The Book of Revelation, The New Testament Manuscripts, The Need for a Global Children's Rights Movement, Discussing Social Issues with Progressives and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You

can also listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LIFE THOUGHTS: (from *Lutherans for Life*) www.lutheransforlife.org

Love doesn't just "live and let live." God has put love and power together (Psalm 62:11-12). Love won't settle for "personal choice" or "public opinion" or "political controversy." Remaining silent about sins like abortion and assisted suicide may avoid one kind of offense. But it perpetrates a greater one by refraining from showing love. Real compassion acts with courage. It means words of warning as much as words of winning over.

VIRTUAL "BREW IN THE LOU":

The Lutheran Elementary School Association (LESA, we are a member), is selling "Brew in the Lou" passports. They are in our office or you can go to www.LESAstl.org. The cost is \$30 for a 12-month ticket with more than \$300 worth of beverages, distilleries, wineries, restaurants and retailers in the St. Louis area. Money raised supports students in area Lutheran schools.

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS:

Complete copies of a Daily Bible Reading Guide from Lutheran Bible Translators are in the entryway. The readings for this week are: 24th- John 17:1-26; 25th- Acts 9:1-25; 26th- Acts 9:26-43; 27th- Acts 10:1-33; 28th- Acts 20:34-48; 29th- 1st Corinthians 1:1-9; and 30th- 1st Corinthians 12:1-11

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

COS Blood Drive: Save the date and save a life. *Christ Our Savior* is hosting the Evansville community blood drive on February 9 from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Make your appointment today! Use the Red Cross app or go online to <https://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html>

Early Registration Discount: The *COS* early registration deadline for 2021-2022 is March 31. The discounted rate is \$150 for those who register and pay the fee before the deadline.

Scholarships Available: The cost of attending *COS* can be offset by scholarships. Scholarships are available based on financial need as well as academics and service. For more information, call *COS* or visit our website: www.coslhs.org.

It is time to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice® program can help support organizations you care about. Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have been designated Choice Dollars have until March 31, 2021, to direct any remaining 2020 Choice Dollars. You can use those dollars to support Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. Go to <http://www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice> to learn more and find program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

School Visitors: Please follow state COVID guidelines when visiting school.

School Hours: The school office is open Monday thru Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. In-person classes will resume January 19.

The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education.



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Director of Parish Music – Mrs. Lindsey Hudak 340-6055

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Junior Youth -- Lisa Quinn and Jennifer Roscow 282-5343

Matthew Foster, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 853-7300

Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Cindy Steele

Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz; Aide – Patty Schnepel

First Grade – Rachel Miller

Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade – Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care)

Fifth Grade – Darlene Letcher

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6th-8th) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director (6th-8th) – Justin Palm

Resource Teacher – Lara Vause

Custodians – Alan Ohms, Bob Schramm Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Ashley Brittingham,

Megan Diercks, Jennifer Pfannebecker, Nicole Kadlec, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney

Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Melissa Schilling,

Kaleigh Johnston, Amy Williams, Karin Russo and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

Chairman: Bruce Schneider Vice-Chairman: Gary Buatte

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Lutheran High School Board: Lisa Quinn and Christina Gidley

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Clifford Adair; Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

Lector: (8 a.m.) Seminarian Wade Waterstreet

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia and Mark Moeller

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Chloe Cowell; (8 a.m.) Tori Muench; (10:30 a.m.) Trenton Wagner

Video: Eric Fritsche Communion Cloths: Joan Ruwald

Flower Servers: Kathy Valleroy and Skylar Valleroy Paraments: Carol Turner