

**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

*St. John's Lutheran Church*

**February 3-4, 2024**

*Divine Service One, page 151ff.*

**Red Bud, Illinois**

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

**THE RINGING of the bell calls us to holy worship.**

**OPENING HYMN: 849 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"**



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:** page 151 (*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 to reflect on God's Word and 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 13:3-6**



**I will sing | to the LORD, because He has dealt bountifully | with me.  
Consider and answer me, O | LORD my God;  
light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,  
lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him,"**

**lest my foes rejoice because I am | shak-en.  
But I have trusted in Your | stead-fast love;  
my heart shall rejoice in Your sal- | va-tion.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the Holy | Spir-it;  
as it was in the be- | gin-ning, is now, and will be forever. | A-men.**

**I will sing | to the LORD, because He has dealt bountifully | with me.**

**KYRIE: (page 152) (we sing the responses)**

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

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

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

P 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.**

P 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.**

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

**“GLORIA IN EXCELSIS”** (page 154)

P: Glory to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

**C: Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther;**

**We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.**

**Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.**

**You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.**

**For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,**

**You a-lone are the Most High,**

**Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spirit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.**

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: (*sung*) And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; 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*)**

**ANTHEM:** (*10:30 a.m.*) “Oh, How I Love Jesus”

*Bell Choir*

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:**

**Isaiah 40:21-31**

Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when He blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare Me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of His might, and because He is strong in power not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God”?

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might He increases

strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

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

**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<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9:16-27**

For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law.

To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

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

*(please stand if able)* **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** (page 156) *(sung)*

**Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.**

**Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL:****Mark 1:29-39**P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.**C: (*sung*) Glo-ry to You, O Lord.**

And immediately Jesus left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told Him about her. And He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening at sundown they brought to Him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. And He healed many who were sick with various diseases and cast out many demons. And He would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew Him.

And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, He departed and went out to a desolate place, and there He prayed. And Simon and those who were with Him searched for Him, and they found Him and said to Him, "Everyone is looking for You." And He said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." And He went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: (*sung*) Praise to You, O Christ.****OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed** (*inside back cover of hymnal*)*(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) Nicene Creed (page 158)*

**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. (*please be seated*)**

(10:30 a.m.) **Apostles' Creed** (page 159)

**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)**

(please be seated) (10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG:**

**I love to tell the sto-ry Of how, from heav'n a-bove Our Lord and Sav-ior Je-sus**

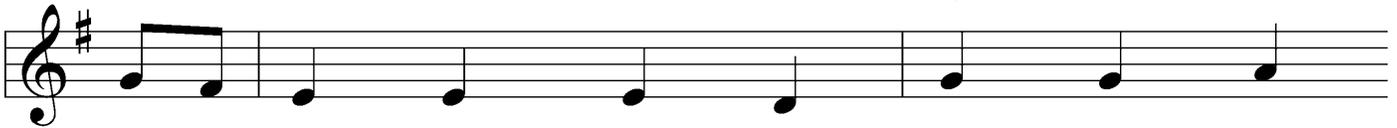
**Was sent to show God's love To ev-'ry sin-ful crea-ture Up-on this earth-ly place**

**How Christ, the gift from heav-en, Is God's great gift of grace.**

**I love to tell the sto-ry; 'Twill be my theme in glo-ry**

**To tell the old, old sto-ry Of Je-sus and His love.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: 846 "Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old"**



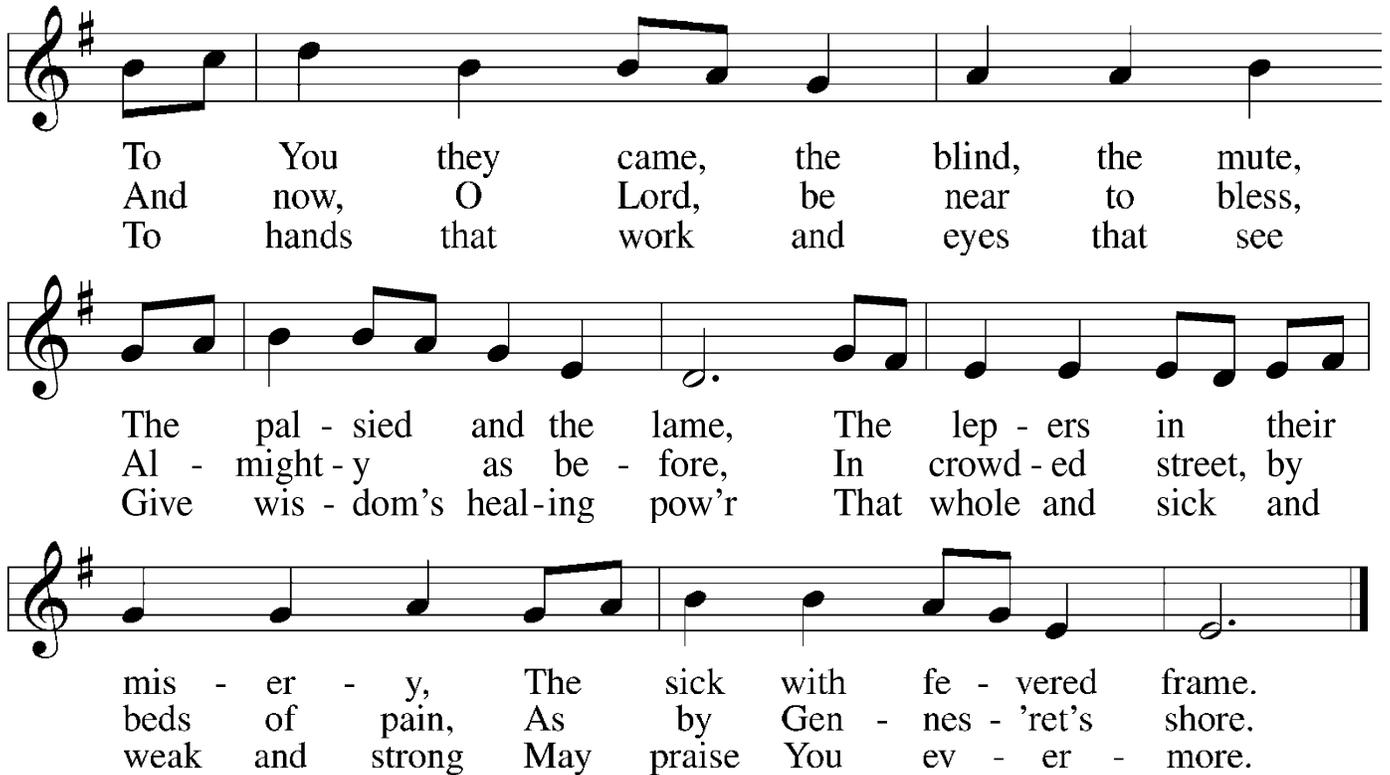
1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old  
2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health,  
3 O be our great de - liv - 'rer still,



Was strong to heal and save; It tri - umphed o - ver  
Gave speech and strength and sight; And youth re - newed and  
The Lord of life and death; Re - store and quick - en,



ills and death, O'er dark - ness and the grave.  
fren - zy calmed Re - vealed You, Lord of light.  
soothe and bless, With Your life - giv - ing breath.



To You they came, the blind, the mute,  
 And now, O Lord, be near to bless,  
 To hands that work and eyes that see

The pal - sied and the lame, The lep - ers in their  
 Al - might - y as be - fore, In crowd - ed street, by  
 Give wis - dom's heal - ing pow'r That whole and sick and

mis - er - y, The sick with fe - vered frame.  
 beds of pain, As by Gen - nes - 'ret's shore.  
 weak and strong May praise You ev - er - more.

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**SERMON:** (*Sat.*) “Be Authentic” 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9:16-27

(*Sun.*) “God Sets Right What Is Wrong in Our Lives” Psalm 13:3-6

(10:30 a.m.) The Installation of Officers and Board Members

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (*please stand if you are able*)

(*Each petition ends “Lord, in Your mercy” and we respond, “hear our prayer.”*)

**HEALING AND COMFORT:** Wil Guebert, Flo Zschiegner, Jim Guebert, Marie Voges, Mary Kueker, David Guebert, Paul Schrieber, Ruth Hecht, Rev. Russell Koen, Gary Schwartzkopf, Sherry Winkelman, Jay Prigge, Susie Harms, Marcy Watters, JoAnna Ellner, Sarah Roy, Ashlynn Crafton, Jack Kennedy; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Tyson Moonier, Dorothy Fulton, Rhonda Black, Mike Coffey, Isabella Despain, Joe Candler. *Help us keep this list current!*

**MILITARY:** (*Please call with names.*) Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Brandon Voss, Adrienne Vallett, Easton Lucht, Chase Lucht, Ethan Summers, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Austin Scheibe, Jessica DeMarco, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss; Navy- Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Keenan Turnure, Austin Grohmann; National Guard: Jeremiah Brandt

**EMERGENCY PERSONNEL:** Fire/EMS- Jerre Atchison, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Savannah Cowell, Chad Crafton, Steven Falkenhain, Curt Guebert, Jason Guebert, Scot Heller, Blake Koppel, Chad Langrehr, Matt Liefer, Kevin Miller, Craig Moll, Alan Piel, Jason Rippelmeyer, Brad Stechmesser, John Valentine, Mike VanDorn, Tanner Winkelman; Police- Abigail Browne, Ralph Sievers, Chris Hewitt, Nick Mounts, Doug Brennan, Jason Roscow.

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**OFFERTORY:** pages 159-160

**What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to me?**

**I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will take the cup of sal-va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple,**

**In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.**

*(The 10:30 a.m. service concludes here.)*

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.**

**CLOSING COLLECT and BENEDECTION:**

Pastor: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

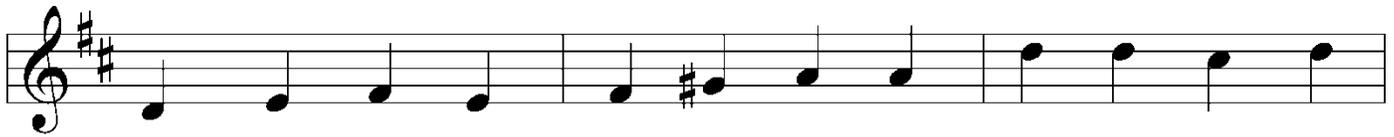
**People: Amen.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace.

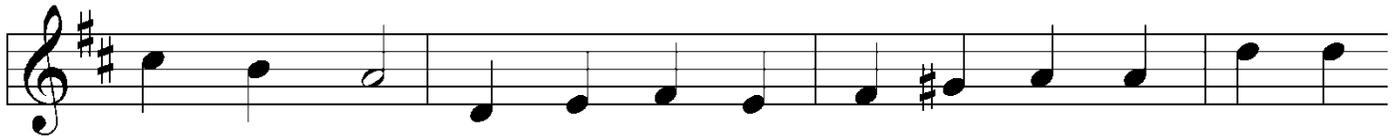
**C: (sung) A-men.**

*(please be seated)*

**CLOSING HYMN: 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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**POSTLUDE:** (10:30 a.m.) "Songs of Praise and Worship"

*Bell Choir*

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(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 160ff.

**PREFACE:** page 160

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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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**

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## **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, the Words of Our Lord and the Pax Domini**

**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.

...P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C (sung) A-men.

### Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: (please be seated)

#### 551 "When to Our World the Savior Came"

1 When to our world the Sav - ior came The sick and  
 2 That good phy - si - cian! Night and day The peo - ple  
 3 His prais - es then were heard and sung By o - pened  
 4 Of long a - go: yet liv - ing still, Who died for  
 5 His sov - 'reign pur - pose still re - mains Who rose in  
 help - less heard His name, And in their weak - ness  
 thronged a - bout His way; And won - der ran from  
 ears and loos - ened tongue, While light - ened eyes could  
 us on Cal - v'ry's hill; Who tri - umphed o - ver  
 pow'r, and lives and reigns; Till ev - 'ry tongue con -



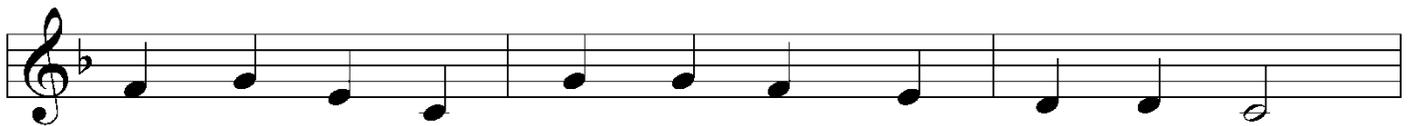
longed to see The heal - ing Christ of Gal - i - lee.  
 soul to soul, "The touch of Christ has made us whole!"  
 see and know The heal - ing Christ of long a - go.  
 cross and grave, His heal - ing hands stretched forth to save.  
 fess His praise, The heal - ing Christ of all our days.

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### 620 "Jesus Comes Today with Healing"



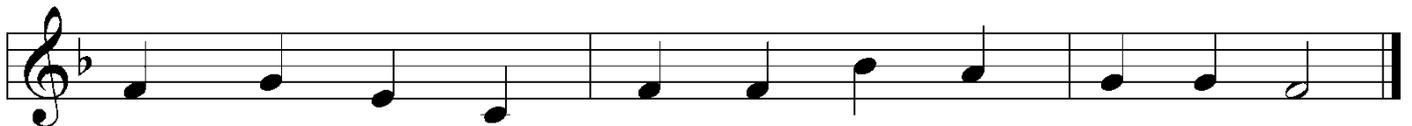
1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my  
 2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and  
 3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the  
 4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.  
 wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,  
 Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,  
 me this hour In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His  
 Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the  
 Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter  
 On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."  
 pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.  
 death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.  
 grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor, Whose own feast of love I savor,  
 Bidden by His gracious call. Wedding garments He provides me,  
 With a robe of white He hides me, Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation, Comfort in my tribulation,  
 Balm to heal the troubled soul. God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
 Cleanses me from sin and error, Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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### 790 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,  
 4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your  
 reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -  
 made you, Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly  
 fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His  
 lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is  
 fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has  
 dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
 failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.  
 might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
 All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the  
 Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly forever adore Him!

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(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.)

*(please stand if able)*

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord" page 164**



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



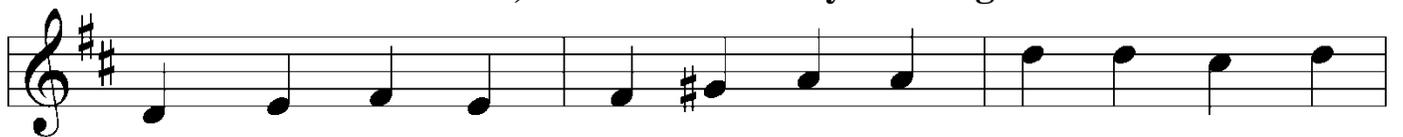
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

**Post-Communion Collect and Benediction**

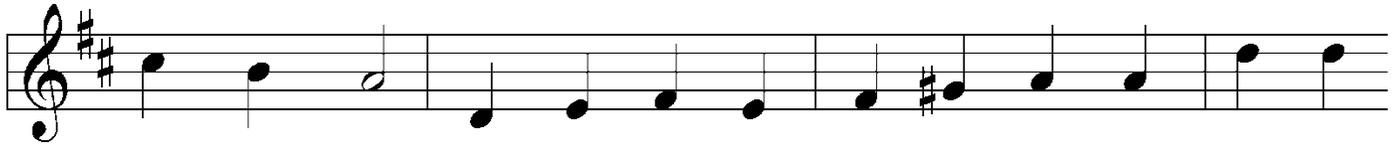
A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and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

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 favor and (+) give you peace. **C (sung) A-men.**

**CLOSING HYMN: 409 "Hail, O Source of Every Blessing"**



1 Hail,	O Source of	ev - 'ry	bles - 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



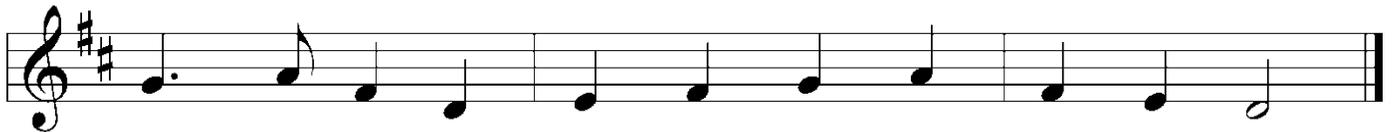
hu - man race! Gen - tiles now, Your grace pos - sess - ing, In Your  
sa - cred throne, In Your cov - e - nant u - nit - ed, Rec - on -  
of - f'ings bring, In Your tem - ples seek Your fa - vor, Je - sus



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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## **POSTLUDE: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" *arranged by Johann G. Walther***

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### ***This Week With Our Lord, February 4-11, 2024***

#### **SUNDAY, February 4-**

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Adult & Youth Bible Classes; Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service

6:00 p.m. Adult Instruction Class in the school library

#### **Monday, February 5-**

2:00 p.m. Evening Guild makes potato salad

6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees meeting in the school library

7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the school's music room

7:00 p.m. Board of Elders meets in the Fellowship Hall

#### **Tuesday, February 6-**

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Circuit Pastors' Conference in Jacob

4:00 p.m. Girls' Volleyball at Evansville

Wednesday, February 7-

7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Public School Confirmation classes

9 a.m. to Noon Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall

4-7 p.m. School Open House with soup and desserts

7:15 p.m. Board of Parish Education meeting in school library

7:30 p.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall

Thursday, February 8-

7:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting

3:00 p.m. Holy Communion service at church

5:30 p.m. Girls' Volleyball (A & C) at St. Libory

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the church balcony

7:00 p.m. Men's Club Gathering in the Fellowship Hall

Friday, February 9- V-ball tournaments; A @ St. Mary's; C @ RBC

9:00 a.m. All-School Chapel service in the new gym

Saturday, February 10-

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in Fellowship Hall (Proverbs)

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Sutton Jones

SUNDAY, February 11- The Transfiguration of Our Lord

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Evan Muench

9:30 a.m. Adult & Youth Bible Classes; Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte- Katelynn Braun

TBD: Adult Instruction Class in the school library

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "Nature Abhors a Vacuum"

Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler asks the question, "What fills the heart that has no room to forgive?" (Ephesians 4:32). Listen on KFUE AM 850 Sundays at 12:30 & 5 p.m., on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. on KSIV 1320AM or 91.5FM or on Sirius XM Family Talk 131 Sundays at 9 a.m.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 305; Communion: 94; Bible classes: Adults- 46; SS & Youth: 46

*And let us consider how to stir one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb. 10:24-25)*

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 1/28- General: \$10,435.20; School: \$250; Sunday School: \$200; Automatic Giving: \$2,620. *Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 9:7)*

**FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:**

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

**ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:**

Adult Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall meets Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. with Pastor Nebel leading “The New Heavens and the New Earth.” Mr. Palm’s class on Bible Survey will meet this Sunday in the school library.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: *LCMS Stewardship Resources***

1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9:25 – “Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.” Self-control is a fruit of the Spirit, for the desires of the flesh are at war with the desires of the Spirit. Having received new life in Christ by His grace, He now calls us to follow Him deliberately, with self-control and intention.

**CONGRATULATIONS:**

God has blessed Erick and Megan (Grohmann) Thien with the gift of a daughter, Truynn Kay, born on January 25 at Mercy Hospital in St. Louis. She joins her older sisters Clarke and Attlee at home. Thanks be to God for His gift of new life in the birth of a child!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR JANUARY:**

3-Year-old: Eve Guebert, Lillian Guebert, Nolan Liefer, Clarke Thien, Sophia Uffelmann; 4-Year-old: Nolan Kassing, Case Uffelmann; Second Grade: Elaina Uffelmann; Third Grade: Brewer Krick, Liza Wagner; Natalie Kassing, Sydney Krick, Holden Wagner; Eighth Grade: Sydney Kassing. Thank you for your participation in and your support of our Sunday School ministry!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT:**

Our mission project this year (10% of offerings) is benefitting the Musketeer Market & Royal Table. These are operated through our local District 132 Schools that supply families with food, basic care needs, and supplies for making birthday cakes for the elementary children in our local community. Thank you for your participation in and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

**SONSHINE VISITATION:**

There are Valentine gifts and cards for you to give to your members in the Fellowship Hall. They are located on a pew on the north wall. May God bless your visits!

**NEWLY ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED OFFICERS:**

Thank you to all who agreed to be nominated for offices this year! Those elected are: Chairman- Kevin Liefer; Vice-Chairman- Mike DeRousse; Treasurer- Eric Fritsche; Secretary- Joan Ruwald; Elders- Stuart Langrehr, Mike Schnepel, Louis Stellhorn, Trustees- William Kuehn, Steve Uffelmann; Education- Travis Krick, Angie Rahn; Finance- Kim Mehring, Kody Schoenbeck, Sarah Wetzel; Estate Fund- David Guebert; COSLHS Board- Christina Gidley. We thank those whose current term of service in office now has ended: Elders: Larry Gielow, Kevin Guebert and Gerald Hanebutt; Trustees: Ken Langrehr and Bart

Miller; Education: Devon Albert and Andrew Langrehr; Finance: Crystal Liefer, Connie Muench and Kathleen Salger; and COSLHS Board: Rebekah Liefer.

#### EPISTLES:

The February edition of our congregation's monthly newsletter, *The Epistle*, is in paper copy on the tables in the entryway. It also is on our website and has been sent by email to all those for whom Pastor has an address.

#### ADULT INSTRUCTION CLASS:

An Adult Instruction Class has begun on Sundays at 6 p.m. in the school library the basics of Christian Doctrine as taught in the Lutheran Church. This would be a good refresher course for those already confirmed or it could lead to communicant membership at St. John's for those who so desire. You still can join! Contact Pastor if you have or know of one who has an interest in this class.

#### SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE:

Join us this Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup> from 4-7 p.m. for our School Open House. A soup, hot dog, and dessert supper will be served from 5-7 p.m. This is a chance for prospective PreK, Kindergarten and other students to tour classrooms, meet teachers, and sign up to be part of our Cougar family. All classrooms will be open that evening. Students of all ages and all members of the congregation are welcome to attend! We hope to see you there!

#### THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. To serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact her at [dvheller@htc.net](mailto:dvheller@htc.net) or 618/521-7417. Call our office 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).

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

2/4- Megan Henry, Molly Ellner, Lilly Minemann; 2/5- Kenny Althoff, Timothy Hollmann, Juli Deterding; 2/6- Harold Liefer, Carl Ellner, Avery Moll; 2/7- Brenda Salger, Dylan Falkenhain, Carolyne Mulherin, Milla Neff; 2/8- Andrew Stellhorn, Maria O'Guin, Samantha Zacheis, Dustin Salger; 2/9- Don Glasscock, Amanda Stellhorn, Makayla Whelan, 2/10- Casey Vallett, Karys Papenberg. *Please call our office with any corrections!*

#### PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Three Springs-Chester: Eunice Wiatr; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence & Jean Menke; Randolph County-Sparta: Don Kueker; Bethesda Gardens-Kirkwood: Ruth Hecht; Freeburg Care Center: Wil Guebert.

#### PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Kathryn Chunn, Mary Gross, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Paul Schrieber, Arlin and Helen Winkelman, Carl and Flo Zschiegner

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME: Pat Byer, Don/Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth Koester, Barb Korves, LuAnn Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttman, Viola Muench, Harold Thies, Trudy Woolbright

**SENIOR YOUTH:**

Our Senior Youth is selling greeting cards (all occasions) for \$1. Cards are on display in the Fellowship Hall. A money box for payment (honor system) is next to the card display. We also have full boxes of greeting cards for sale. They cost \$30 for 30 cards and come with a lovely storage box.

**BIBLE PRESENTATIONS:**

St. John's Lutheran in Ruma and St. Peter's Lutheran in Evansville are hosting a series of presentations on the Bible. This series features "The Seven Letters to the Churches in the Book of Revelation". Light refreshments will be served after each presentation. This Sunday, February 4, join us at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ruma at 1:30 pm. The topic will be "the Letter to the Church in Philadelphia," presented by Rev. Stephen Krenz, St. Paul's Lutheran, Columbia. On Tuesday, February 6, join us at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Evansville at 6 pm. The topic will be "the letter to the church in Laodicea," presented by Rev. Rodney Benkendorf, Hanover Lutheran, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

**TRIVIA NIGHT:**

St. Mark's Lutheran School PTL will hold a Trivia Night with a Classic TV theme on Saturday, February 17 at the Steeleville American Legion. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Reserve your table of 8 in advance for \$80 (call 618/965-3192) (\$100 at the door). Cash bar, bring your own snacks. Bake Sale and Silent Auction also. Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams and for Best Dressed Classic TV Show table and character!

**BUNCO AT TRINITY LUTHERAN IN MILLSTADT:**

Sunday, Feb. 18, 1 p.m. \$5; call Sharon at 618/476-3299 for reservations.

**LCMS FOUNDATION:**

A good gift plan within one's estate plan can help manage taxation. For an extended period, Federal Estate Taxation exemptions (how much is exempt from Federal Estate Tax) have been high. In 2024 it is set at \$13.6 million per person, or \$27.2 million per couple. For most of us that is not a concern. However, some states have estate or inheritance taxes. In addition, retirement plans like annuities, IRAs' or 401(K)'s can be loaded with income tax liability. If you are planning on making a charitable gift from your estate, you want to make sure you use the right asset to reduce this liability. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Scott Radden at (618) 977-4049 or [Scott.Radden@lfnd.org](mailto:Scott.Radden@lfnd.org) for more information or to start your plan.

**LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: [www.lutheransforlife](http://www.lutheransforlife)**

Our Almighty Maker has blessed us with bodies for enjoyment. He has entrusted them to our control (1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9:26-27), but this means more than the mere "my body, my choice" indulgence of appetites. The greater gratification comes from receiving and serving even the least neighbor (1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9:22). Who are we to lie silent about the sanctity of life and thereby withhold the divine invitation to such a delightful discipline?

**KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:**

KFUO Radio AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org), a media ministry of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM 850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical

talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUO AM850, Begin the book of Galatians on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), finish Lamentations and begin the book of Deuteronomy on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and hear about good works in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (2/10 at 10:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and the KFUO Radio app.

#### ISSUES, ETC.:

**JAMES BIBLE STUDY...** The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study later this week on the Book of James. You can listen on-demand at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

#### CASEY'S REWARDS:

Cash for Classrooms- When you shop at Casey's using its rewards program you can donate your points to St. John's school through the Casey's app. Thank you!

### **CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL- 618/853-7300**

**Mattress & Furniture Sale and Fundraiser:** Red Bud Mattress Company will donate to COS for every item purchased there in February. All you have to do is let them know that you want them to support COS when you buy your items.

**COS Blood Drive:** COS is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on February 6th from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Use your Red Cross App or go online to set up your appointment.

**Senior Night Basketball game:** February 8 at 6:30 p.m. at home vs. First Baptist Academy. Join us in recognizing Blaine Rahn!

**NASP Archery Tournament:** Saturday, February 10 at COS from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Smoked Ribs Fundraiser for Shooting Sports:** Support the trap and archery teams at COS by purchasing smoked ribs. Each side is \$25. Orders are due February 5 and will be available for pick up Feb. 10. Call to order.

**Save the date:** Our annual Fish & More dinner will be Friday, March 1 from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. The FFA Helping Hands Auction will be held at 7:00 p.m.

**Banner Updates:** Twenty years ago, our Association Churches created banners to hang in our gym. Some of the banners are showing their age. COS is encouraging our Association Congregations to create new banners to help us celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Call school for details.

**School Hours:** Office hours are open Monday – Friday from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

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

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Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Heather Nowak Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

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Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade and Before/After School Care – Cindy Nebel

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Athletic Director – Scott Voss

School Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm

Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

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Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Amy Williams, Nicole

Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz,

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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: (Sat.) Pastor Brian Nowak; (Sun.) Pastor Mark Nebel

Organist/Choir Director: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak;

Lectors: (8 a.m.) Seminarian Lucas Frauenhoff; (10:30 a.m.) DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Colton Albert; (8 a.m.) Easton Ruebusch; (10:30 a.m.) Clare Carnahan

Greeters: (5 p.m.) Stanley and Lynn Langrehr; (8 a.m.) Kalin and Kathy Liefer; (10:30 a.m.) Ron

and Donna Burgdorf

Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Jamie and Natalie Korando Paraments: Ella Hemmer