

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

St. John's Lutheran Church

January 18-19, 2025, 5 p.m. & 8 a.m. Divine Service Three, page 184ff. Red Bud, Illinois

THE PRELUDE: (Saturday) "Masterpiece for Handbells" Bell Choir

(Sunday) "The People That in Darkness Sat" arranged by Johann Gottfried Walther

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 394 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: pages 184-185 (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: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord, C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

ANTHEM: (Saturday) "Jesus Loves Me"

Bell Choir

(Sunday) "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

Choir

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, And publish abroad His wonderful name.

The name all victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save; And still He is nigh; His presence we have.

The great congregation His triumph shall sing, Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne, Let all cry aloud and honor the Son:

The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, Fall down on their faces and honor the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give Him His right, All glory and pow'r, all wisdom and might,

All honor and blessing, with angels above, And thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: (sung) And with thy spirit.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; 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:

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
and her salvation as a burning torch.

The nations shall see your righteousness,
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.

For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your sons marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL:**Psalm 117: 1-2a; 96:8**

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 12:1–11**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(please stand if you are able) **ALLELUIA:** page 190 *(sung)* **Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL:**John 2:1–11**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 2nd chapter. **C:(sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. And he said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it. When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.” This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (sung) Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed *(inside back cover of the hymnal)*

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) Nicene Creed (page 191)

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)*

HYMN OF THE DAY: 408 “Come, Join in Cana's Feast” *(please stand for last stanza)*



1 Come, join in Ca - na's feast Where
2 The old wine now is gone From
3 But Christ, the Word made flesh, Bids
4 Come, friends, and share the feast; Here
△ 5 For now He lives and reigns Through



Christ is hon - ored guest. He wel - comes all who
jars that stand a - part. No long - er can it
wa - ter turn to wine. He fills our emp - ty
drink the wine sup - plied By Him who is both
all e - ter - ni - ty With Fa - ther, Spir - it,



come to taste The wine His hands have blessed.
sat - is - fy The yearn - ing, thirst - ing heart.
cups a - gain With grace and truth di - vine.
guest and host— For us, the cru - ci - fied.
Three in One, The glo - rious Trin - i - ty.

SERMON: *(Saturday)* “Good, Better, Best” John 2:1-11 *(Sunday)* 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

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: Ashlynn Crafton, Riley Foster, Charles Guebert, Wil Guebert, Roger Hanebutt, Susie Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Peggy Koen, Rev. Russell Koen, Nancy Langrehr, John Preston, Jay Prigge, Darleen Scheffert, Wanda Steele, Pam Stellhorn, Marcy Watters, Flo Zschiegner; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Mary Gibson, Gerald Hitzemann, Izzy McDermott, Tyson Moonier, Ron Pflueger, Ted Stellhorn, Matthew Vallett.

MILITARY: 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
+for Wyatt Timothy Kennedy, son of Joshua & Bridgett Kennedy, as he comes to the waters of Holy Baptism on Sunday, January 19

+those who mourn: family of Randy Warnecke; died in the Lord on Tuesday, January 14

+God's guidance as the Voters' have extended a call to Rev Mark Winkelman

+Keep Rev Mark Winkelman and his family in our prayers as he deliberates our call

OFFERTORY: (*pages 192-193*)

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir-it with-in me.

Cast me not a-way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it from me.

Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

(*5 p.m. & 8 a.m.*) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 194ff.

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 elements of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also 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*) (*page 194*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: (*Sung*) **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: (*Sung*) **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: (*Sung*) **It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary ...evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus: (page 195) (sung)

**Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo-ry. Ho-san-na,
ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He,
bless-ed in He, bless-ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Pastor prays the prayer; congregation sings the Doxology)
...For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glo-ry for-ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD AND THE PAX DOMINI:

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

Agnus Dei: (sung) (page 198)

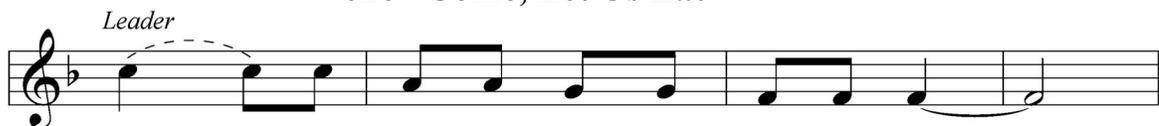
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est away the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A-men. (please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: (please be seated)

ANTHEM: "Go, My Children" Bell Choir
"A Time to Serve" Choir

1. Jesus hears His children crying, Sees them hungry, lost, and dying;
Who will comfort all their sorrows? Who will brighten their tomorrows?
2. Jesus pleads with us to reach them with our gifts of love, and teach them
That the kindness we are giving is the Christian's way of living,
3. Young and old alike He's calling, Human grief is so appalling;
Since He gave His life to save us, Let us share the lives He gave us.
4. When we join our Savior's service, He will strengthen and preserve us;
He will guide our daily living, And He'll bless the love we're giving.
5. When we aid the poor and lonely, We're not caring for them only;
When our love some suff'ring eases, We have done the same for Jesus.
6. Rise and follow! He will lead us; Heed the cries of those who need us!
And when life has ended for us, Heaven's glories lie before us.

626 "Come, Let Us Eat"



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
3 In His pres - ence now we meet and rest,
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y Word,



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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the King - dom,



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527 "O Savior, Precious Savior"



1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, Whom yet un - seen we love;
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, Who won - drous - ly hast wrought
 3 In Thee all full - ness dwell - eth, All grace and pow'r di - vine;
 4 O grant the con - sum - ma - tion Of this our song a - bove



O name of might and fa - vor, All oth - er names a - bove,
 Thy - self the rev - e - la - tion Of love be - yond our thought,
 The glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is Thine.
 In end - less ad - o - ra - tion And ev - er - last - ing love;



We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
 Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where per - fect prais - es ring,



We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our ho - ly Lord and King.
We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our gra - cious Lord and King.
We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our glo - rious Lord and King.
And ev - er - more con - fess Thee, Our Sav - ior and our King!

412 "The People That in Darkness Sat" (*please stand for last stanza*)



1 The peo - ple that in dark - ness sat A glo - rious
2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righ - teous - ness, The gath - 'ring
3 To us a Child of hope is born, To us a
4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace, The Ev - er -



light have seen; The light has shined on them who long In
na - tions come; They joy as when the reap - ers bear Their
Son is giv'n, And on His shoul - der ev - er rests All
last - ing Lord, The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, The



shades of death have been, In shades of death have been.
har - vest trea - sures home, Their har - vest trea - sures home.
pow'r in earth and heav'n, All pow'r in earth and heav'n.
God by all a - dored, The God by all a - dored.

5 **His righteous government and pow'r
Shall over all extend;**

**On judgment and on justice based,
His reign shall have no end,
His reign shall have no end.**

6 **Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,
And make us Thine alone,
Who with the Father ever art
And Holy Spirit, one,
And Holy Spirit, one.**

(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.)

NUNC DIMITTIS: “Song of Simeon” pages 199-200 (*please stand if you are able*)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de-part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre-pared before the face of all people, a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy peo-ple Is-ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THANKSGIVING

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C: (*sung*) **and His mercy endureth for-ev-er.**

P: 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.**

SALUTATION, BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spir-it.**

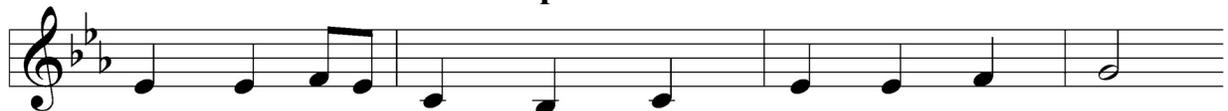
P: Bless we the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and (+) give you peace.

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

CLOSING HYMN: 738 “Lord of All Hopefulness”



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

POSTLUDE: “Lord of All Hopefulness”

arranged by Benjamin M. Culli

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This Week With Our Lord, January 20-26, 2025

Monday, January 20-

No School & Office Closed – Martin Luther King Holiday

6:00 p.m. GBB Regional Championship – Go Lady Cougars!!

7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

7:00 p.m. Choir in School Music Room

Tuesday, January 21-

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

10:05 a.m. Office Staff Meeting

5:00 p.m. BBB vs Valmeyer (A/B/C) – 8th Grade Night

7:00 p.m. Evening Guild Gathering

Wednesday, January 22-

7 a.m. Public School Confirmation Class

9:00 a.m. 3rd through 8th Grade Chapel at Church

9:00 a.m. to Noon Quilting in Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

3:30 p.m. Public School Confirmation Class

5:30 p.m. New Members Class in Library

6:00 p.m. Mom’s Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

VB A Team Tournament @RBC begins

Thursday, January 23-

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir Practice at Church

VB A Team Tournament @RBC

BBB ALT Tournament @RBL begins

Friday, January 24-

8:30 a.m. Early Childhood Chapel at School

VB A Team Tournament @RBC

BBB ALT Tournament @RBL

Saturday, January 25-

5:00 p.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Grant Florreich

BBB ALT Tournament @RBL

GBB SIJHSAA State

SUNDAY, January 26-

National Lutheran Schools Week begins

8:00 a.m. Divine Service; Acolyte – Finn Liefer

9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Ella Cowell

BBB ALT Tournament @RBL

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Last week: Worship: **327**; Communion: **106**; Bible classes: **42**; Sunday School: **39**

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 1/12- General: \$34,029.00; School: \$270.00; Debt Elimination: \$2,660.00.

DEBT ELIMINATION MONEY RAISED:

The Ducting out of Debt Challenge at school has raised a total of \$32,008.22. To date, the church has raised a total of \$223,566.98. These combined totals come to \$255,575.20. We have exceeded our goal to have \$150,000 matched. Thank you to those that have generously given to our Debit Elimination thus far. With those contributions, we were able to repay our \$200,000 loan back to the estate fund.

GIVING STATEMENTS:

The 2024 giving statements have been mailed and you should be receiving them soon. Please notify the office if there are any discrepancies.

FLOWERS IN 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.

INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE:

On behalf of the Elders. If there is any reason to close the church due to inclement weather an email will be sent. The email address used will be the same ones used for the sending of the Weekly Bulletin. If you do not receive an email with the Weekly Bulletin, want to be added to the email address, or would like to update the email address we have on file, please send an email with your first and last name and email address to office@stjohnsredbud.org. Thank You.

CALL PROCESS UPDATE:

After the voters' meeting on Sunday, January 12th, a call meeting was held. The Call Committee provided a ballot with 3 Pastoral candidates to the voters'. The ballot was approved by voters', voted on, and it was unanimously decided to extend a call to Rev Mark Winkelman. He will now prayerfully consider this call before bringing his final decision to our congregation.

NEWLY ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED OFFICERS:

Thank you to all who agreed to be nominated for offices this year! Those elected are: Chairman- Mike DeRousse; Vice-Chairman- Kevin Guebert; Treasurer- Eric Fritsche; Elders- Kirk Liefer, Gerald Hanebutt, Ron Liefer, Trustees- Jeremy Voss; Education- Jacob Arbeiter; Finance- Becky

Biffar, Crystal Liefer, Christy Palm; Estate Fund- Nick Kassing; COSLHS Board- Vickie Heller, Rebekah Liefer. We thank those whose current term of service in office now has ended: Chairman- Kevin Liefer; Elders: Wil Krick, Kalin Liefer, Jeremy Stellhorn; Trustee: Byron Falkenhain; Education: Derek Uffelmann; Finance: Jill Gross, Melissa Henry; Estate- Brian Guebert; and COSLHS Board: Christina Gidley.

EIGHTH GRADE CLASS MEETING:

The current 8th grade class will meet at 5:15pm on **Monday, January 20** in the school library. Paperwork for the upcoming trip will be handed out, updated itineraries, and discussion on the last fundraiser that will be held.

LIFE NETWORK BABY BOTTLES:

Lutherans for Life will be distributing Life Network baby bottles at the end of the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. service on January 19th in remembrance of Life Sunday. Please pick up a bottle, fill it with change and return it to the fellowship hall in the clear bins marked Life Network any time before Sunday, February 16th. All proceeds will go to Life Network pregnancy care center with offices located in Red Bud and Waterloo. Thank you again for your years of support Life Network through their baby bottle fundraiser. Please contact Jennifer Roscow (618-972-5366) for any questions or concerns.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING:

The next Men's Club meeting is on **February 13th**.

SECOND THURSDAY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES:

We will be having a Holy Communion Service on the second Thursday of the Month. So, mark your calendars! Service will be held on **Feb. 13th** at 3:00 pm. Feel free to come and join us. If you have any questions, please contact the office or Pastor Nowak.

CUSTODIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED:

A part-time paid position is available in our church custodian rotation for about 8 - 12 hours every 2 weeks. We need someone for Saturday evening service ONLY and/or Sunday morning services. Trained provided. This involves the opening and closing of the building for worship, lighting, setting temperatures, ringing the bell, and light cleaning. See Leonard Salger or Justin Palm.

YOUTH GATHERING:

Any high school youth interested in attending the youth gathering in New Orleans in July 2025, please contact Stephanie Liefer at 618-967-0804 or email at stjohnsseniorityouth@gmail.com.

HOLY BAPTISM:

+We welcome Wyatt Timothy Kennedy into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the late Sunday service. He is the son of Joshua and Bridgett (Voss) Kennedy. His baptismal sponsors are Joshua Voss, Tiffany Gasset, and Allison Francesco. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES:

Adult Bible Class will be led by Pastor Mark Winkelman & will meet in the Fellowship Hall this Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Mr. Palm's class on the Angels and Demons will meet this Sunday in the School Library.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

John 2:3 – “When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to Him, ‘They have no wine.’”
Behold the faith of Mary: she sees a problem and simply lays it before her Son and Lord: “They have no wine.” She does not offer a proposed solution, she does not demand, she simply states her need and waits for the Lord's response. She trusts that the Lord is a giver, and she knows that He always provides. May such a faith be ours!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR: “He Made Me a Believer”

God makes us believers and the more we believe, the more we become involved in the institutions God made--church, marriage, family, and work. (John 2:11). 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.

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:

Surprise pregnancies sometimes seem like tidal waves. Terminal diagnoses also often come like thunderstorms. But even among their sufferings, the Lord Jesus exercises ultimate authority and never fails to make wine for us out of water. The gifts He delivers through each neighbor differ, but the same Spirit works (1 Corinthians 12:4-6) the sanctity of life in them all.

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 or 618/521-7417. Call our office to add someone to our worship prayers.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Three Springs-Chester: Eunice Wiatr; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Mary Gross, Jean Menke & Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence; Cedarhurst Memory Care-Waterloo: Martha Rohlfing; Bethesda Gardens-Kirkwood: Ruth Hecht; Freeburg Care Center: Dorothy Byers, Wil Guebert, & Darleen Scheffert; Ruma R&R: Kenneth & Geraldine Koester.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT GARDEN PLACE:

Columbia: Pat Byer; Red Bud: Kathryn Chunn, Elaine Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer & Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Dorothy Papenberg, Paul Schrieber, Carl & Flo Zschiegner, Helen Winkelman.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Don & Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, Barb Korves, LuAnn Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Ed Luttmann, Viola Muench, Harold Thies, Trudy Woolbright

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

1/20- Kimberly Moll, Easton Lucht, Ella Cowell, Madelyn Guebert; 1/21- John Liefer, Eva Perry; 1/22- Brian Stellhorn, Cathleen Harms-Thompson, Aliviah Gulley, Noah Hernandez; 1/23- Mary Ann Wegener, Sally Ratliff, Kevin Matzenbacher, Angela Rahn, Abigail Brundage, Brianna Hudson, Harlow Sutton; 1/24- Jeffrey Moll; 1/25- Fred Salger, Arlene Pratt, Stuart Langrehr, Blaine Rohlfing, Truynn Thien; 1/26- Hal Mueth, Amber Stenzel, Trisha Ruebusch, Mallory Arbeiter.

ELDER ZONES FOR 2024-2025: (Chairman, Jeremy Stellhorn)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder Bruce Schneider (618/521-0028)

Zone 2: S. Conboy thru D/K Grohmann- Elder Louis Stellhorn (618/623-8495)

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru R/K Herriman-Elder Jeremy Stellhorn (618/910-9205)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Wil Krick (618/282-3660)

Zone 5: Wil/Martha Krick thru Janel Maes- Elder Gary Buatte (618/719-5034)

Zone 6: Pat Malik thru Lanie Pensoneau- Elder Stuart Langrehr (618/304-5082)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru Don Schrader- Elder Kalin Liefer (618/792-8277)

Zone 8: J/D Schrader thru B/C Turner- Elder Michael Schnepel (618/363-9575)

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann - Carl/Flo Zschiegner- Elder Joshua Voss (618/719-1840)

LCMS FOUNDATION:

Putting an estate plan together presents many competing priorities around which to make decisions. Certainly, you wish to care for the family you love. Yet even families can present competing priorities. Maybe there is some relationship disfunction in your family that up until now, the grace of God has not yet healed. Should that impact inheritance? Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you think through, and pray through, such issues. Contact Scott Radden, Gift Planning Counselor at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@LFND.org.

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on KFUO.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts. Find us on social: @KFUOradio on Facebook, X, and Instagram. We're continuing in Isaiah on Sharper Iron! Join us as we take a look at chapters 25-29 (weekdays at 8 a.m.). On Thy Strong Word, we're beginning a study of the book of Job. You can tune in every weekday at 11 a.m.. Don't forget to join us for Concord Matters (1/25 at 10 a.m.)! We'll be continuing our discussion of confessional subscription with special guest Rev. Dr. Matthew Harrison. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or on the KFUO Radio app!

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

Basketball: Our basketball season is coming to a close with two away games. On January 23, we will be playing at Jacob vs. Trinity Christian at 6:00 p.m. On January 30, we will be playing at First Baptist O'Fallon, at 6:00 p.m.

Community Blood Drive: The American Red Cross will hold a community blood drive Tuesday, January 28 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the gymnasium at Christ Our Savior Lutheran

High School in Evansville. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Evansville Community (zip code 62242) to schedule an appointment.

Registration for 2025-2026 is open! If you know a high school student, encourage them to consider Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School. Call 853-7300 to schedule a shadow day or a meeting with our administrator, Mrs. Sherry Prange. Learn more about *COS* and download a registration form from our website, www.coslhs.org.

CONCORDIA SEMINARY GUILD LUNCH:

Date: Friday, Feb. 7, 2025, **Cost:** \$20 per person, **Deadline:** Jan. 24, 2025

Menu: Pork loin, white and wild rice, grilled asparagus, garden salad with ranch, balsamic and raspberry vinaigrette dressing on the side, dinner rolls and chocolate cake

Program: The Deaconess journey: Embracing service in ministry

Jessica Thompson, admissions officer for advanced & distance studies, & deaconess intern

11:30 a.m.: Registration in Koburg Hall, **Noon:** Luncheon, *Ingathering: Household and personal care items for the Food Bank*, **Questions?** 314-578-9158

Mail Reservations to: Mary Jane Autry, 2076 Henley Woods, Austin, MO 63010

2025 BIBLE PRESENTATIONS:

St. John's Lutheran Church in Ruma and St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Evansville are once again hosting a series of six presentations on the Bible. This year's Bible Presentations will give us a picture of Jesus Christ who is active with His Father and the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament. The sessions will draw upon different passages in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, primarily in the four Servant Songs of Isaiah which foretell the Ministry of Jesus in the Gospel accounts. Come join us to learn more about the eternal Son of God, sent to earth for our salvation! Light refreshments will be served after each presentation.

THIS SUNDAY, January 19, join us at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ruma at 1:30 pm. The topic will be "Isaiah Sees the Glory of Jesus," presented by Rev. Terry Grebing, Retired.

Tuesday, January 21, join us at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Evansville at 6 pm. The topic will be "The Servant of the Lord, Song 1," presented by Rev. Scott Hojnacki, Trinity Lutheran, Red Bud.

Sunday, January 26, join us at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ruma at 1:30 pm. The topic will be "The Servant of the Lord, Song 2," presented by Rev. Tony Troup, Retired.

Tuesday, January 28, join us at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Evansville at 6 pm. The topic will be "The Servant of the Lord, Song 3," presented by Rev. Rodney Benkendorf, Hanover Lutheran, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Sunday, February 2, join us at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ruma at 1:30 pm. The topic will be "The Servant of the Lord, Song 4," presented by Rev. Stephen Krenz, St. Paul's Lutheran, Columbia.

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Sherry Prange, Principal, Christ Our Savior Lutheran High, 618/853-7300

Faculty and Staff

Preschool – Heather Nowak Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade (*Homeroom*) – Bill Becker

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Judy Stephens

Sixth Grade Homeroom – Doreen Schnepel

Seventh Grade Homeroom – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Athletic Director – Scott Voss

Before/After School Care – Susan Luttmann

School Custodians – Wil Krick and Bob Schramm

Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Amy Williams, Nicole Kadlec, Christy Deterding, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Brittney Eichholz, Brooke Supancic, Pam Henry, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Reith, Kaitlin Schmitz, Haley Ehler, Hailey Guebert, Courtney Schaefer, Brittany Smith, Callen Reitz, Madison Falkenhain, Leah Johnston, Lori Johnston, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Trost, Madison Trask, Sarah Beth Nieweglowski, Mycah Clements, Tori Muench, Diane Everding, Molly Huether, Cailee Strong

Church Council

Chairman: Kevin Liefer Vice-Chairman: Michael DeRousse

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Trustee Chair: Leonard Salger Estate Fund Chair: Brian Guebert

Lutheran High School Board: Vickie Heller and Christina Gidley

Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: (*Saturday*) Pastor Art Eichhorn (*Sunday*) Pastor Mark Winkelman

Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak (*8 a.m.*) Lector: DCE Bill Becker

Acolytes: (*5 p.m.*) Kellen Herriman (*8 a.m.*) Carson Bowles; (*10:30 a.m.*) Lucas Summers

Greeters: (*5 p.m.*) Stanley & Lynn Langrehr; (*8 a.m.*) Christine Doerr & Lisa Quinn

(*10:30 a.m.*) Jim & Judy Guebert

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

Flower Servers: Brenda vanBuren Paraments: Carol Turner