

PRELUDE: (5 p.m. & 10:30 a.m.) "Jesus Loves Me"  
(8 a.m.) "Echoes of Westminster"

arranged by J. Wayne Kerr  
Bell Choir

**THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.**

**OPENING HYMN:**

"When I Behold Jesus Christ" (LSB 542)



1 When I be - hold Je - sus Christ, True God who died for me,  
2 For me You gave all Your love, For me You suf-fered pain;  
3 You had no sin, ho - ly Lord, But You were tor-tured, tried;  
4 What love is this? Great - er love No one has ev - er known.



I won - der much at His love As He hung on the tree.  
I find no words, noth - ing can Your self - less - ness ex - plain.  
On Gol - go - tha there for all My sins You bled and died.  
My life with God— this I owe To You, and You a - lone.

*Refrain*



What kind of love is this? What kind of love is this?



You showed Your love, Je - sus, there To me on Cal - va - ry.



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(10:30 a.m.) **Rite of Holy Baptism, pages 268ff.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:**

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 105:4–7; antiphon: v. 8*



He remembers his covenant for- | ever,\*

**the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.**

Seek the Lord | and his strength;\*

**seek his presence con- | tinually!**

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,\*

**his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered,**

O offspring of Abraham, his | servant,\*

**children of Jacob, his | chosen ones!**

He is the | Lord our God;\*

**his judgments are in | all the earth.**

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.**

He remembers his covenant for- | ever,\*

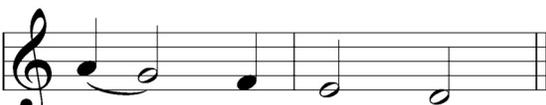
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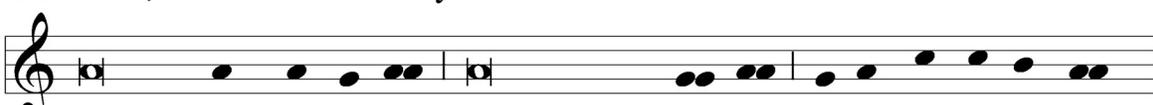
*(LSB 168-169)*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



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



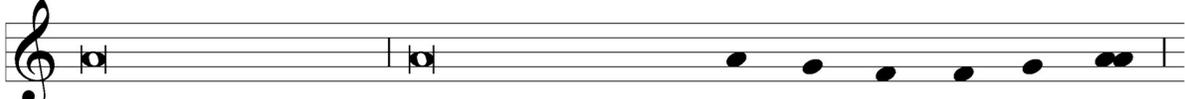
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni - ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



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



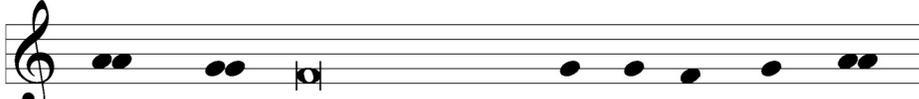
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



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



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

C: **O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; 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: (8 a.m.) "Jesus Loves Me"

Bell Choir

(10:30 a.m.) "God So Loved the World"

Choir

1. *God so loved the world, God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, That who-so believeth, believeth in Him should not perish, should not perish, But have everlasting life.*

2. *For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; But that the world through Him might be saved. (Repeat Verse 1)*

**Ending:** *Everlasting life, everlasting, everlasting life. God so loved the world, God so loved the world, God so loved the world.*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING:**

*Genesis 12:1–9*

P: The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL:**

*Hebrews 12:2*

P: [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

**C: the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

P: who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

**C: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

**EPISTLE:**

*Romans 4:1–8, 13–17*

P: What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.” Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: “Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.” . . .

For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

**VERSE ( LENT):**

(LSB 173)



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in  
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

**HOLY GOSPEL:**

*John 3:1-17*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

P: Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.                      C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH:

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) Nicene Creed (p 174)

**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.**

(10:30 a.m.) Apostles' Creed (p 175)

**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.**

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

*"Jesus Loves Me" (LSB 588)*

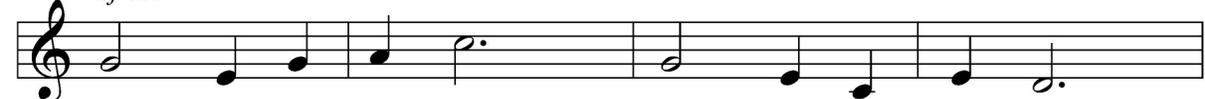


1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so.  
2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.



Lit - tle ones to Him be-long; They are weak, but He is strong.  
He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.

*Refrain*



Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!



Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

(10:30 a.m.) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"God Loved the World So That He Gave" (LSB 571, please stand for last stanza)



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly  
2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made  
3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with  
4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in  
flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in  
sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the  
sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.  
Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near,  
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;  
That is the firmest ground of faith.

6 Glory to God the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessèd Trinity,  
Be praise now and eternally!

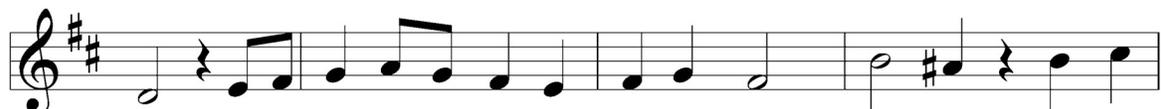
SERMON

OFFERTORY:

(LSB 176)



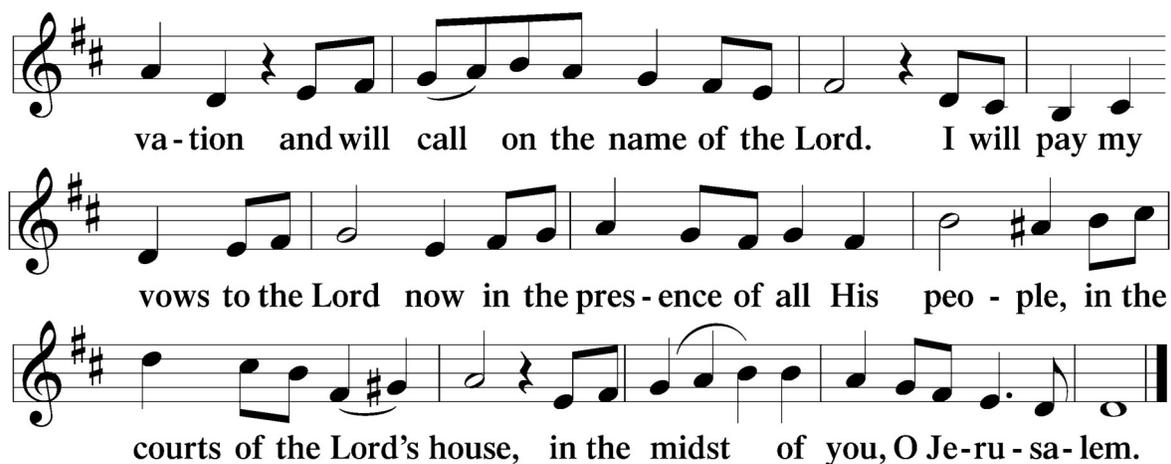
What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e - fits to



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.

**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:** Charles Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Brendan Harms, Ruth Hecht, Beth Kilpatrick, Rev. Russell Koen, Barbara Korves, Mary Liefer, Kortney Moll, Paul Mollet, Norma Preston, Jay Prigge, Mary Schultz, Eugene Stamm, **Trudy Woolbright**; *Family/Friends of St. John's Members:* Andy Amann, Mary Gibson, Shirley Hartmann, Gerald Hitzemann, Andrea Kuehner, Izzy McDermott, Tyson Moonier, Virgil Palm, Ron Pflueger, Sue Schreier, Mary Jo Shelton, Ted Stellhorn, Milton Theobald III, Matthew Vallett, Amy Winkelman, Michael Winkelman, Roger Womack.

**MILITARY:** Army- Casey Vallett, 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, Abbey Vallett; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, 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, Kaleb Barriger, Tom Beshoar, Kevin Biffar, Breanna Bingel, Chad Buch, 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

✠for Hailey Kay Bingel, daughter of Dustin & Breanna (Cowell) Bingel, as she comes to the waters of Holy Baptism on Sunday, March 1

✠for Hadley Lynn Bingel, daughter of Dustin & Breanna (Cowell) Bingel, as she comes to the waters of Holy Baptism on Sunday, March 1

***The 10:30 a.m. service continues with the Lord's Prayer, and a Closing Prayer.***

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** pages 177-183ff.

**PREFACE and PROPER 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.**

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

**SANCTUS:**

(LSB 178)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. 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:**

P: 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.**

**THE 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.**

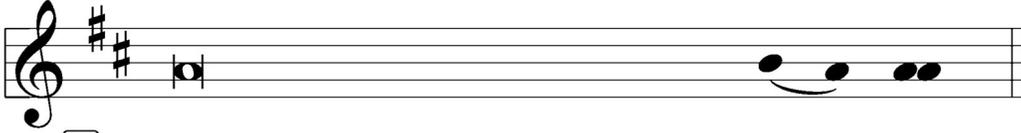
## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD:

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## PAX DOMINI:

(LSB 180)



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

## AGNUS DEI:

(LSB 180)



**C** 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, grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

*(8 a.m.) "In the Cross of Christ, I Glory" Bell Choir*

“By Grace I’m Saved” (LSB 566)



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is



doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? No! Then this word must  
Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
What in His Word our God com - mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,  
In tribulation's furnace tried,  
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,  
The Father's heart is open wide.

Where could I help and strength secure  
If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;  
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;  
For though I know my heart's condition,  
I also know my Savior's voice.  
My heart is glad, all grief has flown  
Since I am saved by grace alone.

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” (LSB 702)



1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart;  
3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,  
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine. Now hear me while I pray; Take all my  
 My zeal in - spire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my  
 Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's  
 Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior, then, in love, Fear and dis -

guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - ly Thine!  
 love to Thee Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!  
 tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From Thee a - side.  
 trust re - move; O bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

“O Lord, We Praise Thee” (LSB 617)

1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,  
 2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,  
 3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor

In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy  
 Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er  
 That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -

bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that  
 love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -  
 geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this

they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!

May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our  
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy  
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that

sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead  
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;  
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see



In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!  
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

**NUNC DIMITTIS : “Song of Simeon”**

(LSB 182)



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

**POST COMMUNION COLLECT:**

**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:** Amen.

**BENEDICTION ANTHEM:** (10:30 a.m.) “Behold the Lamb of God”

*Choir*

*Come, behold the Lamb of God! Come, behold the Lamb of God!  
 Bearing the sins of the world, bearing the sins of the world. (repeat)  
 Behold the Lamb of God! Behold the Lamb of God!  
 Bearing the sins of the world. (repeat)  
 The sins of the world, the sins of the world.*

**BENEDICTION:**

(LSB 183)

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: Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN:***“Love Divine, All Love's Excelling” (LSB 700)*

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of  
 2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to  
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us  
 4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy  
 ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in  
 all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -  
 spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
 Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.  
 turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.  
 great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -  
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha  
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee  
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with  
 and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as  
 as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee  
 heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

**POSTLUDE: “O Lord, We Praise Thee”***arranged by Heinrich Scheidemann*

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***This Week with Our Lord, March 1-8, 2026***

**SUNDAY, March 1-**

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

**Monday, March 2- *No School/Office Closed - Casimir Pulaski Day***

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

7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting

7:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting

**Tuesday, March 3- *Pastor Mark Winkelman day off***

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

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study at Fellowship Hall

5:30 p.m. Volleyball @ Evansville 6:30 p.m.

Bible Recap Class in Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, March 4- *Midweek Lent***

7:00 a.m. Public School Confirmation Class

8:30 a.m. Midweek Lent Service; Acolyte – Charlie Liefer

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

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study at Fellowship Hall

3:15 p.m. Public School Confirmation Class

5:15 p.m. Lenten Meal

6:30 p.m. Midweek Lent Service; Acolyte – Alexa Cheek

**Thursday, March 5-**

3:15 p.m. Office Staff Meeting

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

**Friday, March 6- *End of 3rd Quarter***

BBB/Cheer at Lutheran State

**Saturday, March 7-**

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Blake Horrell

BBB/Cheer at Lutheran State

**SUNDAY, March 8- *Daylight Savings Time***

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

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

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion; Acolyte – Jozlynn Palm

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:**

February 22: Worship: 346; Communion: 100; Adult Bible Classes: 34; Sun. School: 39

February 25: Worship: 291; *No Communion; No Chapel* (Midweek Lent)

February 24-25: Women's Bible Study: 12; Bible Recap: 18; February 27: *No Chapel*

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

We join together in the grace of giving. 2/22/26- General: \$22,165.20; School: \$320.00.

### **ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS:**

Did you know that we do electronic funds transfer from your account to ours on a bi-weekly or monthly basis? It's a simple process! Complete the form with your contribution request and we'll do that for you. Those can be changed at any time, that works best for you, just contact the office with any changes. Feel free to pick up a form in church or school office. Please have completed form(s) turned into the office.

### **EPISTLES:**

Paper copies of the March edition of our congregation's newsletter are on the tables in the entryway. It is also posted on our website and has been sent by email to those for whom the office has an email address. *To ensure an article is in the April Epistle, please send an email to the office by **March 20<sup>th</sup>**!*

### **FLOWERS IN CHANCEL:**

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 618-282-2394 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

### **PRIMARY SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGS NEXT SUNDAY:**

Students in primary Sunday school classes will sing in the 10:30am worship service on Sun. March 8th. Pastor will announce when students should make their way to the front, and they will return to their seats after the conclusion of their song. We look forward to hearing your students sing!

### **ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT CHICKEN DINNER:**

St. John Lutheran Church-Baldwin is having their All-You-Can-Eat Chicken Dinner! It will be held on March 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am to 1:30pm. Menu: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Green Beans, Slaw, Drinks, & Desserts: Adults \$16, Children \$8, under 4 are Free. Proceeds to support Lutheran Schools in Red Bud, Prairie, Steeleville, & Chester.

### **THE BIBLE RECAP – SCHEDULE CHANGE:**

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month, until summer, The Bible Recap will meet at 6:00p.m. verses 6:30p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

### **MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES:**

We will hold services on Wednesday, March 4, at 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. A Lenten supper will precede the evening service(smoked & breaded pork chops, oven-roasted potatoes, and green bean casserole) beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The eighth-grade class will assist with bringing desserts & serving these meals. The free will offering will go towards their class trip in April.

### **EASTER LILY FORMS:**

Easter Lilies will be on display again this year. We thank the Altar Guild for taking on this project each year as it is such a beautiful addition to our chancel as well as a heartfelt way to remember our loved ones or just give thanks to the glory of God for His many blessings to us. The cost is \$8 and you may return it to our church office or by way of the offertory plate by Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Forms are on the tables in the entryway. Thank you!

### **NEARBY LENTEN FISH FRYS:**

+ St Peter UCC in Red Bud will be hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 4-7pm. Dine in or Carry Out. Call 618-282-2417 for carry out orders. Cash or Check only.

+The class of 2027 will host an all-you-can eat Fish Fry Fundraiser at Ratzkeller on March 21<sup>st</sup> starting at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30/person and include unlimited fried fish, sides, and draft beer. Tickets will NOT be sold at the door, and the event is dine-in only. Please contact any 7th grade family to purchase tickets or for more information.

### **DINNER AUCTION: *You don't want to miss this!! Get your tickets now!***

Our 16th annual dinner auction will be held Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Hecker Community Center beginning at 5pm. Donations are now being accepted in the school office. No item is too small, and each donation will help make this event a success! Tickets are currently available for \$45/person and will include dinner, select drinks, and dessert. We hope you will join us for our SJL County Fair evening, a night that is sure to be a grand prize winner!

### **RETIREMENT COMMITTEE MEETING:**

The next meeting scheduled for Mrs. Schmitz's retirement committee is on Thursday, March 5, at 3:15 in the school library.

### **JOB OPENING – PART-TIME:**

The After School Care Program is in seek of additional assistance. We are looking for a responsible and caring individual to assist with overseeing after-school childcare. Duties include supervising children, helping with homework, and leading fun activities. Ideal candidates enjoy working with children and are reliable team players. Candidates must be 18 years of age or older and available to start at 2:45p.m. Please contact Mrs. Courtney Schoenbeck for more information via [cschoenbeck@stjohnsredbud.org](mailto:cschoenbeck@stjohnsredbud.org).

### **VOLUNTEER/SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:**

The PTL is looking for enthusiastic parent volunteers to help make a difference at St. John's. There are multiple ways to pitch in, including Cougar Prowl Fun Run, Faulty Gift Coordinator and PTL Secretary. See the Cougar Tracks for details on each opportunity to serve your child's school! Contact the school office or any current PTL officers if you are interested.

### **HOLY BAPTISM:**

✠ We welcome Hailey Kay Bingel into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the 10:30a.m. Sunday service. She is the daughter of Dustin & Breanna (Cowell) Bingel. Her baptismal sponsors are Kyle Sinn & Kelley Seibold. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

✠ We welcome Hadley Lynn Bingel into the Body of Christ through the water and word of Holy Baptism in the 10:30a.m. Sunday service. She is the daughter of Dustin & Breanna (Cowell) Bingel. Her baptismal sponsors are Kyle Sinn & Kelley Seibold. Thanks be to God for His gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord!

### **SID GOLF OUTING – HELP WANTED! :**

Over the years our District Golf Outing each June has provided hundreds of thousands of dollars to support church work students from Southern Illinois. The current leadership team has committed to training a new leadership team (2-3 people) this year. If you would like to help contact [siddpaa@gmail.com](mailto:siddpaa@gmail.com).

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE:**

Perfect Attendance for February- Pre-K3: August Guebert, June Russell; Pre-K4: Atlee Thien, Kane Whelan; Kindergarten: Eve Guebert, Lillian Guebert, Nolan Liefer, Clarke Thien; First Grade: Bennett Buch, Demi Grohmann, Nolan Kassing, Benjamin Langrehr, Eliza Schrader; Second Grade: Huxton Grohmann, Bentley Valentine; Third Grade: Jettson Grohmann; Fourth Grade: Blakelynn Grohmann; Fifth Grade: Amelia Langrehr, Jack Valentine; Sixth Grade: Jackson Carnahan. Thank you for your participation and your dedication to our Sunday School ministry!

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY:**

3/1- Judy Guebert, Kelly Mehring; 3/2- John Bievenue Jr, Amy Zeller, Jakob Biffar; 3/3- Jackson Carnahan; 3/4- Duke Hinrichs, Lisa Guebert, Bennett Buch; 3/5- Russell Koen, Leha Russell, Taylor Foster, Lucas McCarthy, Sadie Stellhorn; 3/6- Linda Buch, Nathan Marcheski, Taylor Guebert, Summer Luttmann, Luke Pollard; 3/7- Dale Holmstrom, Lisa Quinn, Miranda Colbert-Sutton, Joshua Bremer, Skylar Tudor, Benjamin DeRousse, Madeline Moll.

### **ELDER ZONES FOR 2026-2027:** (Chairman, Stuart Langrehr)

Zone 1: D. Adams thru R. Collins- Elder David Reinhardt (618/967-7967)

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

Zone 3: N/E Grohmann thru R/K Herriman-Elder Ron Liefer (618/282-3950)

Zone 4: R. Herriman thru T/E Krick- Elder Gerald Hanebutt (618/317-4574)

Zone 5: W/M Krick thru J. Maes- Elder Kollin Liefer (618/830-7140)

Zone 6 : P. Malik thru L. Pensoneau- Elder Stuart Langrehr (618/304-5082)

Zone 7: A/A Piel thru D. Schrader- Elder Kirk Liefer (618/282-8228)

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

Zone 9: D/K Uffelmann – A. Zeller- Elder Tyson Russell (618/612-6227)

### **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.

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

Addington Place-Sparta: Kathryn Chunn; Oak Hill-Waterloo: Mary Gross, Jean Menke, Martha Rohlfing, Jody Winkelmann; Magnolia Terrace-Waterloo: June Lawrence; Cedarhurst of Tesson Heights: Ruth Hecht, Paul Schrieber; Freeburg Care Center: Dorothy Byers, Wil Guebert, Margaret Hanebutt, Geraldine Koester.

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

Columbia: Pat Byer; Red Bud: Elaine Guebert, Alice Hick, Mary Liefer, Omer & Neva Liefer, Vernon Muench, Lorna Schneider, Esther Williams, Helen Winkelman.

## **PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:**

Don & Betty Fausz, Nancy Holmstrom, LuAnn & Rick Liefer, Joyce Lopez, Trudy Woolbright.

## **CHURCH UPDATE - TITHELY APP:**

Pastor Mark has been working diligently to set up a new church app. Currently, you can view services and create prayer requests through the app. In the future, online giving will also be available. Click the following link to download the app and begin enjoying its features:  
<https://tithely.app.link/stjohnsredbud>.

## **CONCORDIA SEMINARY GUILD LUNCH:**

**Date:** Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026; **Cost:** \$20 per person; **Deadline: March 13, 2026**

**Program: Support Services for Seminary Wives; *Grace Uhm Hilton, Women's Coordinator, Families in Transition*; 11:30 a.m.:** Registration in Koburg Hall; **Noon:** Luncheon and business meeting; Adoption of new projects for 2026-27; Election of president, and recording secretary;

**Checks:** Make payable to Concordia Seminary Guild; Mail: 3375 Dana Drive, Arnold, MO 63010-4255; **Questions?** Call Ellyn Petrovic at 314-952-8202

## **ATTENTION COFFEE DRINKERS:**

We are in Community Coffee's program, "Cash for Schools." By clipping the proof of purchase off packages of ground coffee and/or K cups our school earns rewards. You can drop off proof of purchases at the school office. Thank you for participating in this program to benefit our school!

## **LCMS FOUNDATION:**

We live in an "I can do it myself" culture. The truth is that with creating a Christian estate plan, we need an entire team, to assist us to make sure that our plan is well grounded. Having a good attorney is essential to this process, as they bring expertise to know how to document your plans legally and clearly in your will or trust, especially accounting for unique challenges. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you organize your information and goals so you are ready to work with your attorney. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or [scott.radden@lfnd.org](mailto:scott.radden@lfnd.org).

## **KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:**

We're continuing our study through the book of Genesis on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.). Tune in as we discuss chapters 24-26! Join us on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.) as Pastor Booe leads us through the book of Numbers! This week's studies will take us through chapters 15-18. Join us for the Wednesday broadcast of our Lent service from Peace Lutheran here in St. Louis (3/4 at 11 a.m.). On Concord Matters this Saturday (3/7 at 10 a.m.), we'll be studying the Sacrament of the Altar as discussed in the Large Catechism. Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or in the KFUE Radio app!

## **THE LUTHERAN HOUR: "The Fifth Act"**

Through the Bible, God invites us to help Him complete the unfinished drama He's been writing for the world. (1 Corinthians 4:1) 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.

## **LCMS MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:**

He himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. 1 Peter 2:24

## **LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:**

Salvation comes only through faith in Christ, who was “lifted up” on the cross as the payment for the world’s sins (John 3:14-15). Not even Abraham our forefather was saved by his works or inner worth (Romans 4:2-3). In choosing to redeem us by His own grace apart from our works, God shows us that our value is not found in a person’s own qualities. Instead, every person is precious to God and worthy of dignity because “God so loved the world that He gave His only Son” (John 3:16).

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

**John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”** This is perhaps the most well-known and beloved verse in the New Testament, for good reason. This simple Gospel message is the foundation for our whole life, including our new life in Christ. This new life is characterized by thankfulness and devotion to our Father who has provided for us so lavishly in Christ.

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Principal – Mr. Justin Palm 618/214-1103

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Director of Christian Education/School Librarian–Mr. Bill Becker 618/282-2958

Secretaries – Mrs. Sara Shepherd and Miss Cynthia Wilson

Senior Youth – Kirk and Stephanie Liefer 618/967-0804

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### *Faculty and Staff*

Preschool – Heather Nowak Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz

First Grade – Rachel Miller Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer

Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy Fourth Grade – Monica Snyder

Fifth Grade – Amanda Ruhmann Resource Teacher – Lara Vause

Sixth Grade Homeroom – Doreen Schnepel Seventh Grade Homeroom – Nancy Whelan

Eighth Grade Homeroom: Kristin Sachtleben Jr High Science – Sara Shepherd

Athletic Director – Scott Voss Cooks – Catrena Heck and Marilyn Oettle

Before/After School Care – Courtney Schoenbeck

School Custodians – Wil Krick, Bob Schramm, Christian Stechmesser, and Cheryl Fehr

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, Kaitlin Schmitz, Madison Falkenhain, Kaitlyn Brown, Emma Trost, Madison Trask, Mycah Clements, Zandra Harless, Tori Muench, Molly Huether, Cailee Strong, Reagan Birkner, Olivia Noethen, and Makayla Liefer.

Church Council

Chairman: Michael DeRousse Vice-Chairman: Kevin Guebert  
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Serving Us in Worship Today

Preacher/Liturgist: Pastor Mark Winkelman  
Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak (8 a.m.) Lector: DCE Bill Becker  
Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Lucas Summers; (8 a.m.) Colton Albert; (10:30 a.m.) Easton Ruebusch  
Greeters: (5 p.m.) Virginia & Mark Moeller; (8 a.m.) Clyde & Kathy Rowold  
(10:30 a.m.) Vernitta Wolter & Cindy Ebers  
Video: Eric Fritsche/Justin Palm Communion Cloths: Breanne Muench  
Flower Servers: Linda Guebert Paraments: Virginia Moeller