



Communion Notice Today we celebrate Holy Communion in which we joyfully receive Christ's own body and blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because we believe that participation in this sacrament is also a public confession of unity in the faith we invite communicant members of congregations in fellowship with the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod to receive the sacrament.

We welcome our fellow Christians who wish to come forward but do not share all our beliefs to fold their arms in front of them and receive a blessing. We pray that our common baptism and the continued work of the Holy Spirit will draw us closer to one another and dispel the sad divisions that separate us. We pray that as we are led into all truth from God's Word such divisions will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21). Let us all express in our hearts a prayerful desire for such unity of faith to be achieved.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our guests. We are glad you have joined us in worshipping our Lord and Savior. We trust you will draw strength, peace, and hope as together we hear God's Word spoken here today. So that we may serve you better, we ask that you fill out a yellow attendance card located on the back of the pew, including your address and noting that you are a visitor.

ETERNAL CANDLE The eternal candle glows to the glory of God from Rod Hopkins, with glory to God!

ALTAR FLOWERS The flower bouquet that adorns the Altar is from Rod Hopkins, with glory to God!

ALTAR FLOWERS AND ETERNAL CANDLES The charts to sign up for flowers and candles are hanging in the Narthex. There are MANY open dates available for you to sign up for special occasions or memorials. There are envelopes located on the counter right below the charts. Flowers are \$25, candles are \$6; please make checks payable to Altar Guild.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS There are Lenten devotional booklets provided by LHM on the Information table. They are free— please take one to enrich your season of Lent!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS *Matthew 17:8 – “And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.”* Jesus is enough. Moses and Elijah point to Jesus and are happy to fade into the background. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone, the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place.

YOU ARE INVITED Concordia University– Nebraska invites you to hear their Chamber Choir perform on Friday, February 20th. They will be at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bettendorf at 7pm. This event is free and open to the public.

BOOK OF CONCORD ONLINE! Concordia Publishing House (CPH) has announced the launch of an online version of the *Book of Concord (BOC)*, available at no cost at bookofconcord.cph.org. “The *Book of Concord*’s faithfulness to the Holy Scriptures allows it to be central to the teaching and witness of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod,” said the Rev. Dr. Jacob Corzine, vice-president of publishing for CPH. “By making it available online, we hope to encourage faithful teaching and study, and bold confession of the Christian faith.”

SAVE THE DATE Rev. Tim Bickle will be visiting us on March 7th and 8th. On Saturday, he will be our guest preacher, and on Sunday, he will be giving a presentation of his work with POBLO (People of the Bible, Lutheran Outreach) during the Bible study hour. Please attend if you can— this should prove a very informative and interesting presentation!

LADIES LUNCHEON Are you a lady? Then you are invited to lunch at the Deerfield Family Restaurant in Silvis on Thursday, February 19th. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to join us at 11:30am!

LWML Please join us on Thursday, February 19th in the Janssen rooms at 1:00pm. We will be making Easter cards for our shut-ins. All ladies are welcome.

ALTAR GUILD St. John's Altar Guild is in need of people who wish to volunteer their time to serve God in assisting to prepare communion and to clean up after service. The Altar Guild usually only meets twice a year, and training and help is readily available. Please let Margie Schaefer, Kathy Ahrens, or Flo Moore know if you are interested in helping or have any questions.

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The Lord's Week

Sunday, February 15th

9:00am– Worship w/Communion
10:30am– Bible Study/Sunday school
10:30am– Confirmation Instruction

Monday, February 16th

1:30pm– Activities Room– dominoes
6:00pm– Cherub Chimers rehearsals
6:30pm– Heavenly Ringers rehearsals

Tuesday, February 17th

10:00am- Food Pantry
6:30pm- Guitar Jam

Wednesday, February 18th– Ash Wednesday

9:00am– TOPS
10:00am– Women's Bible study
1:30pm– Activities room-dominoes
5:30pm– Lent Supper
6:30pm– Worship

Thursday, February 19th

11:30am– Ladies Luncheon @ Deerfield
1:00pm– LWML

Saturday, February 21st

8:00am– Men's Bible study
9:30am– Choir rehearsal
5:00pm– Worship
(Pastor Mueller)

Sunday, February 22nd

9:00am– Worship
10:30am– Bible Study/Sunday school
10:30am– Confirmation Instruction

Bible Study Opportunities

Sundays, 10:15am

Join Pastor Anderson in the Janssen rooms following worship- we are studying the Acts of the Apostles, looking at the beginnings of the Christian Church, and how the Church two millennia later still bears the imprint of that first Church.

Holy Land Geography, Customs & History

Join Clark Stojan in the Keyl room, as he leads us to explore the world of the Bible along with select events recorded in Scripture.

Coffee with Christ– Myth or Faith? There are plenty of misconceptions about Christianity in today's society. From false rumors to biblical teachings that are heavily distorted from their subject matter, there's no lack of myths to find. Do you know how to respond to them? More importantly, do you know the **truth** backed up by God's Word and teachings?

Wednesdays, 10am

Beginning Wednesday, February 18th, we will begin using the *"Lenten Bible Studies for God's Stewards"* by Ronald J. and Phyllis J. Chewning. These Bible studies are based on the readings in Psalms as printed in the lectionaries for Lent.

Saturdays, 8am

Men's Bible study

We are doing a chronological study of the Gospel.

Weekly Memory Verse

1 John 1:8

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

Serving the Lord this Week:

Organist: Christine Engebrecht

Greeters: (Sat.)

(Sun.)

Ushers: (Sat.) Greg Burke, Todd Miller, & Larry Ripka
(Sun.) Evan Antolik and family

Communion Assistants: Jim Homann & Kevin McAnally

Acolyte: Nolan Johnson

Music Accompaniments: Collin Antolik, Kristen Antolik, Steve & Cris Braddy, Brian Engebrecht, and Caleb Engebrecht



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Introit



Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;*
for the LORD our God is | holy!

The LORD reigns; let the peoples | tremble!*

**He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the | earth
quake!**

The LORD is great in | Zion;*
he is exalted over all the | peoples.

Let them praise your great and | awesome name!*

Ho- | ly is he!

The King in his might loves | justice.*

You have established equity; you have executed justice
and righteousness in | Jacob.

Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his | footstool!*

Ho- | ly is he!

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.

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy | mountain;*
for the LORD our God is | holy!

Readings

P The Old Testament reading is from Exodus, the twenty-fourth chapter.

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.” Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them.” Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. Now the appearance of

the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights. (Ex. 24:8-18)

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Epistle reading is from Second Peter, the first chapter.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. (2 Pet. 1:16-21)

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LSB 156- ♫ Alleluia

P The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the seventeenth chapter.

C ♫ Glory to You, O Lord.

After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.” (Matt. 17:1-9)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C ♫ Praise to You, O Christ.

ST. JOHN'S PRAYER CARD

February 13th and 14th, 2026

Please remember the following in your prayers this week...

Anniversaries

James & Brenda Hanerhoff(41)

Sister Congregation

Rev. Chad Lueck
Good Shepherd Lutheran
Bloomington, IL

Members

Michael VanSeveren
David & Joyce VanSeveren
Kathy VerStraete

Missionaries Serving

Matt & DeeDee Wasmund-
Seoul, S. Korea

Military Chaplains

CPT Lang Yang
LT COL Michael Frese

III & Hospitalized

Joan Britton
Hoa Cooper (Lucille's daughter
- cancer)

Prolonged Illness & Special Needs:

Bev Brokaw
Chuck Brokaw
Steve Fors
Duane Gosa
Nancy Gosa
Kevin Green- cancer
Kathy Herron
Jerry Hill
Kay Iwen
Dale Johnson
Merle Loete
Reid McDonald
RaeJean Murphy
Tom Nielsen
Robin Passman
Brenda Roggendorf
Earl Schaefer
Karen Schmidt
Kathleen Schmidt
David Sountris
Ken Weidenbach
Cora Whipple

Homebound Members:

Nancy Bonow
Ann Bowman
Don, Wanda, and Jason Cass
Darlene Dopson
Mary Ann Eckert
Rick & Sylvia Fauser
Angie Fischer
Peg Heitzman
Christopher Higgins
Ingrid Hodshire
Lori Hopkins
Mary McGee
Nancy Smart
Terry Tipsword
Barbara Veskauf