

# Welcome to

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS

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Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 21 & 22, 2023



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**Welcome! Visitors:** Our worship has been enriched by your presence! Please return soon.  
**Members:** Let us truly be the family of God in greeting and loving one another. **Everyone:**  
Please sign the Record of Fellowship book found in each pew. On Sunday after worship,  
please join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

**Saturday January 21**

- Altar Guild:** .....*Jeanette Peirce, Kristie Stansbury*
- Acolyte:** .....*Masilyn Conrad, Davin Harper*
- Elders:** .....*Lyle Grimm, Allan Schlesselman*
- Greeters:** .....*Jeannie Schwarting*
- Organist: Sat./Sun:** .....*Jean Grewe*
- Head Ushers:** .....*Richard Wichmann, Brian Wardenburg*

**Sunday January 21**

- Altar Guild:** .....*Jeanette Peirce, Kristie Stansbury*
- Acolyte:** .....*Rowdy Loy, Kayden Schaefer*
- Elders:** .....*Evan Uhlmann, Michael Ramsey*
- Greeters:** .....*Harleen Bott, Beryl & Nancy Shifflett*
- PA System:** .....*Matt Schaefer*
- Stewardship:** .....*Rachel Krueger, Kasey Garringer, Ellyn Kozishek*
- Head Ushers:** .....*Richard Schaefer, Mike Feldman*
- Ushers:** .....*Brett Kozishek, Matt Schaefer, Evan Stohlmann*

The **Sacrament of Holy Communion** is celebrated in our worship services this weekend. It is our practice to serve Holy Communion to those who have been instructed in the Christian faith, who are able and willing to “examine themselves,” and who share a common faith and confession. As a congregation of the LC-MS, we welcome to the Lord’s Table all who are in fellowship with our church body. If you are visiting and have questions about your participation in the Sacrament, please speak with the Elder or Pastor before the service. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request prior to worship. Please speak with the Elder or Pastor if you desire a gluten-free wafer.

**From the Stewardship Board** —Your 2022 year-end statements have been mailed out. If a discrepancy is found in your statement, please call the church office ASAP. All 2022 financial records will be deleted from the computer **on January 31st.** Thank you.

**Blessed for Life**

**Sanctity of Life Sunday 2023 — Lutherans for Life**

**Entrance Hymn:** All You Works of God, Bless the Lord

*LSB 930*

**Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

☩ **Amen.**

**Confession and Absolution**

I said, “O Lord, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against you!” *Psalm 41:4*

☩ **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean.**

His heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad. *Psalm 41:6*

☩ **We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.

*Psalm 41:9*

☩ **We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

They say, “A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies.”

*Psalm 41:8*

☩ **We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment.**

But you, O Lord, be gracious to me, and raise me up.

*Psalm 41:10*

☩ **For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us.**

By this I know that you delight in me: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me. *Psalm 41:11*

☩ **Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,**

You have upheld me because of my integrity, and set me in your presence forever. Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!

*Psalm 41:12-13*

☩ **so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your Holy name. Amen.**

Blessed is the one who considers the poor. In the day of trouble the Lord delivers him; the Lord protects him and keeps him alive. 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 forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*Psalm 41:1*

☩ **Amen.**

**Hymn of Praise:** O Bless the Lord, My Soul

*LSB 814*

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation, grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and

mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☩ **Amen.**

### **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 1:26–31a

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

<sup>27</sup>So God created man in his own image,  
in the image of God he created him;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” <sup>29</sup>And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. <sup>31</sup>And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.

This is the Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle**

Ephesians 1:3–10

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

This is the Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

### **Anthem**

Shine Like Stars

### **Holy Gospel**

Matthew 5:1–12

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

☩ **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

<sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **Apostles’ Creed**

☩ **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  everlasting. Amen.**

**Sermon Hymn:**

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

*LSB 765*

**Sermon**

**Installation of Congregational Officers**

**Offering**

**Offering Hymn:**

We Give Thee But Thine Own

*LSB 781, vv.1,2,6*

**Prayers**

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

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Heavenly Father, grant us all humility to recognize the sanctity of every human life You have created, redeemed, and called as Your own precious treasure and to receive each neighbor as gift and privilege. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Let us speak Your grace and show Your forgiveness to any whose hearts have been broken by the abortion of their own children or by participation in any other violence against the sanctity of life, that they may turn to You in trust. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. By our witness and assistance, deliver from death, deception, and despair those scheduled for abortion, those awaiting adoption, those experiencing surprise pregnancy, those facing terminal diagnosis, those considering suicide or euthanasia, and those endangering embryonic human beings. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. In our time, in our land, and the world over, bring an end to abortion, embryocide, physician-assisted suicide, and all pressures to use death as a solution to suffering. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Guide the minds and hands of medical professionals to serve as instruments of Your saving and healing care and to resist the temptation to hasten the end of any human life; and especially do we implore Your visitation and intervention to relieve the afflictions of our brothers and sisters, *[names]*. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Multiply unto us the celebrations of body, family, and length of days that we rejoice with gratitude to You for these undeserved and undivided delights. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Provide and preserve lawmakers and officials over us who safeguard the sanctity of every human life in public policy and practice, and move us to support and encourage them. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Open our ears and loosen our tongues to advocate for every neighbor's welfare with courage and compassion, and work calm and consensus through our respectful dialogue and enthusiastic servanthood. Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

*Additional petitions, each concluding with:*

- ☐ Lord, in Your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

- ☐ Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great. Cheer our spirits with forgiveness, faith, and fellowship, until by repentance and resurrection we enter into everlasting life before You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☪ **Amen.**

**Service of the Sacrament**

The Lord be with you.

~ **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

~ **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

~ **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good, right, and salutary ... praising You and saying:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

~ **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.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night ... as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

~ **Amen.**



**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.

**Distribution Hymns**

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence	<i>LSB 621</i>
This Is the Day the Lord Has Made	<i>LSB 903</i>
O Lord, We Praise Thee	<i>LSB 617</i>

**Post-communion Collect**

- ☐ 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.

☩ **Amen.**

**Benediction**

- ☐ 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.

☩ **Amen.**

**Hymn:** I Leave All Things to God’s Direction *LSB 719*

**Announcements & Sending**

**Pastor:** Let us go forth in peace  
**People:** in the name of the Lord. Amen.

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**Pastor Ogilvie will be gone** next weekend. If you are in need of pastoral care January 28 or 29, Pastor Sears of Trinity, Conroy has graciously agreed to help. You may reach him at 319-662-4075.



**Time to start planning** for the St. Paul 5th Sunday “Snowman theme” Potluck on January 29th at 11:30am. Bring a dish or two to share. Please plan to attend and invite a friend or two. There may even be some snowman trivia or “pin the buttons on the snowman;)” If you like, please bring your snowmen to display. The Evangelism Committee is looking for some short post meal entertainment...a speaker, music, etc. If anyone has an idea or suggestion please let us know.

**We will again** be doing a clothing collection for Orphan Grain Train world wide relief from Feb 1 to March 5. Men's clothing is especially needed. Also bath towels, bar soap, tissue packs, and items for kits. Watch bulletins and the February Clarion for more info.

**Its time again to decide where you would like your Thrivent Choice Dollars designated to** —call 1-800-847-4836, say “Choice Dollars” or listen to the options and it’s #6, then press 1, then 2, then let them know where you want your Choice Dollars to go. They need to be designated before March 31st.

**Serving January 28 & 29 Acolytes**— Sat: Naomi Sitas, Graceyn Uhlmann, Sun: Brooklyn Goad, Davin Harper; **Altar Guild**— Sat:/Sun: Jeanette Peirce, Kristie Stansbury; **Elders**—Sat: ; Sun: Evan Uhlmann, Michael Ramsey; **Greeters**— Sat: Carol Jean Williams; Sun: Deb Knock, Kenton & Kim Doehrmann ; **Organist**—Sat./Sun: Peggy Wardenburg; **PA System**—Sonya Uhlmann; **Reader**—Michael Jepson; **Stewardship**— Erica Wardenburg, Kelsi Cox, Peggy Wardenburg; **Head Ushers**— Sat: Brian Wardenburg, Richard Wichmann; Sun: Richard Schaefer, Mike Feldman; **Ushers**—Brett Kozishek, Matt Schaefer, Evan Stohlmann

**Highlighted Birthdays and Anniversaries for January. We highlight children’s, decade, and 80+ birthdays. We highlight 1<sup>st</sup> year, each 5 years, and 50+ years wedding anniversaries. Please let us know if you would like other birthdays and anniversaries added to the highlighted list. Complete lists of birthdays and anniversaries are posted on the bulletin board at the west entrance.**

Jan 24 – Henry Simmons 15, 207 Rodgers Dr.

Jan 27 – Cooper Van Etten 20, 122 Country Club Rd.

Jan 29 – Katie Lou Martinson 5, 403 Long Street

Jan 30 – Frank Ogilvie 15, 406 Thornbury Ave. Iowa City 52245

Feb 1—Marcia Hopp 65, 155 Circle Dr.

Feb 1—Ashtin Kuesel 25, 206 W Penn, PO Box 971

Feb 1—Matt Schaefer 50, 3147 M Ave, North English, 52316

Feb 1—Henry Zuber 1, 1926 Q Ave. Marengo 52301

**Those in need of prayers or who are sick or in hospital.**

Ethel Doehrmann, 2381 250th St

Lynn Evans—Valley View, 150 Washington Apt C, North English, 52316

Ken Mews—2138 NN Ave.

Florine Rowe in hospice, Colonial Manor 3207 220th Trl Amana, IA 52203

Mellissa Zuber, 1926 Q Ave. Marengo 52301

**The Evangelism Committee** is appreciative of the congregational support of Undie Sundays. We received a total of 408 items that will be sent to Orphan Grain Train in March. Thank you.

**Are you missing a clothing item?** Please check out the coat rack leading to the Fellowship Hall we have a few jackets hanging up. Also, if you leave a child's toy, they are usually put on the table as you come into the sanctuary. Jewelry is usually pinned up on the west entrance bulletin board or across on the new member bulletin board.

**If you have brought food** for a funeral we have a few containers and cake pans still here. Stop in the kitchen to see if one of the items is yours.

**L.I.S. is having a blood drive** on Wednesday January 25th from 2:30pm-6:30pm. Call Rebecca Oberg at 319-662-4196 or go online at [www.bloodcenter.org](http://www.bloodcenter.org).

### **Congregational Officers to Be Installed**

During the Sunday service, we will have the installation of our elected congregational officers. All newly elected and continuing officers of the congregation are asked to come forward to the altar for the rite of installation. This year's officers are: Congregational Church Chairman—Richard Uhlmann; Vice Chairman—Matt Schaefer; Congregational Church Secretary—Karen Wichmann; Treasurer—Helen Kozishek; Cemetery Overseers—Rodger Bohrn, Bowen Yoder, Mark Imhoff; Christian Service Chairman—vacant; Elders—Mike Dellamuth, Russell Furler, Lyle Grimm, Michael Jepson, Brett Kozishek, Michael Ramsey, Allan Schlesselman, Bill Sitas, Evan Uhlmann; Endowment Funds—Laurinda Kraft, Richard Schaefer, Mellissa Zuber; Evangelism—Lois Bair; Financial Review—Darrell Campbell, Karin Malloy, Peggy Wardenburg; Historical Preservation Committee (Archives)—Pat Dellamuth, Loretta Glandorf, Peggy S Grimm; LIS Board of Directors —Aaron Loy, Nicholas Timm, Eric Wardenburg; Parish Education—Margaret Wardenburg; Stewardship board—Kelsi Cox, Brianna Dellamuth, Megan Finnegan, Kasey Grainger, Theresa Glandorf, Ellyn Kozishek, Amanda Kruse, Rachel Krueger, Michele Piersol, Jolene Schaefer, Leon Snyder, Gary Stourac, Erica Wardenburg, Peggy Wardenburg, Rhonett Wardenburg; Trustees Ron Garringer, Dave Knock, Corey Kuesel, Justin Simmons.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** resumes Sunday, February 5th! Join us for a fun filled month of Barnyard Round-up! Sunday School is looking for volunteers to help teach Sunday School. Volunteers can teach one Sunday or several Sundays. Contact Margaret Wardenburg at 319-800-3399 or the Church Office if you are interested in helping teach our youth.

**A Life Quote for Sunday, January 22:** “When someone struggles with the overwhelming guilt of a past sin, like abortion, repentance and reconciliation are the only source of relief. There is hope! ‘If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness’ (1 John 1:9). Through all our days, the Lord never leaves us nor forsakes us. He is a patient God, waiting and wanting all to come to repentance and be saved.” *Deaconess Pamela Buhler and Deaconess Chrissie Gillet, Word of Hope*

**A Life Thought in the Church Year for January 22 – Epiphany III:** In the day of trouble the people of Christ seek not the finger of death but the face of the Lord (Psalm 27:5, 8). Though carrying surprise pregnancy may appear foolish, though enduring unto natural death may seem senseless, though advocating the sanctity of life may earn us ridicule, the word of the cross preserves us—and our neighbors—in the very power of God (1 Corinthians 1:18).

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**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** Study John 4-5 on Sharper Iron's "The Word Made Flesh" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Ruth 2-4 and Esther 1-2 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and study what Baptism is on Concord Matters (1/28 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUE Radio app!

**Stewardship** January 22 – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany. Matthew 4:20 – “Immediately they left their nets and followed him.” Discipleship cost Peter and Andrew everything they had. They left their trade, their hometown, their families, and they followed Jesus. God has called us to the same discipleship, the same devotion, though the exact details of how that is lived out will vary. The important thing is this: we know that all we have is the Lord’s, to be used for His purpose. We are His disciples and are ready to follow where He leads

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH & SERVICE**

- SATURDAY:** Adult Bible Study .....4:30pm  
Worship/Communion.....5:30pm
- SUNDAY:** Choir Rehearsal .....8:00am  
Worship/Communion/Installation of Officers/Children Sing.....9:00am  
Fellowship .....10:00am  
Adult Bible Study.....10:15am
- MONDAY:** Quilters .....9:00am
- TUESDAY:** Men’s & Women’s Bible Studies.....9:00am  
Evangelism meeting.....5:30pm
- WEDNESDAY:** Early out  
LIS Blood Drive .....2:30-6’30pm  
Midweek Gr 1st & 2nd .....5:00pm  
LYF .....6:00pm  
Midweek Gr 3rd & 4th .....6:15pm

**Midweek Gr 5th & 6th .....6:30pm**  
**Confirmation Gr 7th & 8th .....6:30pm**  
**NEXT SAT: Adult Bible Study .....4:30pm**  
**Worship.....5:30pm**  
**SUNDAY: Choir rehearsal..... 8:00am**  
**Worship/Communion/Choir.....9:00am**  
**Fellowship .....10:00am**  
**Adult Bible Study..... 10:15am**  
**5th Sunday Potluck .....11:30am**

The Lutheran Hour ministries January 29 "Hopelessly Hopeful" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Having hope for humanity is not the same thing as hoping in humanity. (Colossians 1:27) on WGN720AM at 6am, WMT 600AM at 6:30 am, WHO-1040AM at 7:30 am, or XM's Family Talk Radio XM170 at noon

**Attendance Last Week:**

Saturday— 56      Sunday— 100              total = 156  
 Adult Bible Study — 22    Sunday School — NA    Women's Bible Study— 19