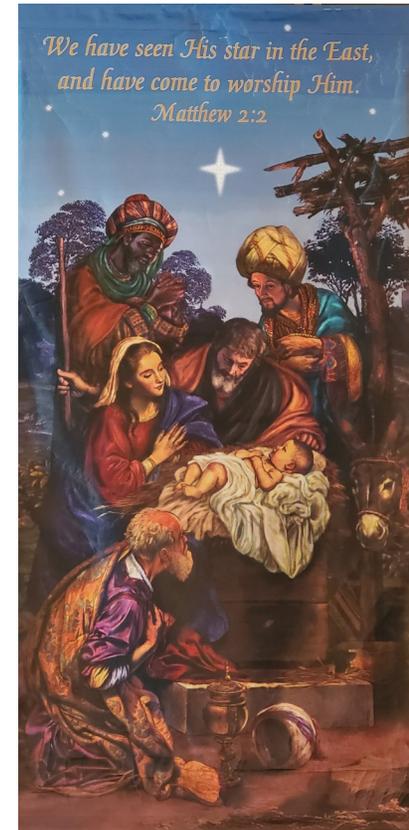


Welcome to
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500 Clark Street, PO Box 42
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Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
January 28 & 29, 2023



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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.

Altar flowers given to the Glory of God

Saturday January 28

Altar Guild: Sat./Sun:*Jeanette Peirce, Kristie Stansbury*
Acolyte:*Naomi Sitas, Graceyn Uhlmann*
Elder:*Allan Schlesselman*
Greeter:*Carol Jean Williams*
Organist: Sat:/Sun:*Peggy Wardenburg*
Head Usher:*Brian Wardenburg, Richard Wichmann*

Sunday January 29

Acolyte:*Brooklyn Goad, Davin Harper*
Elders:*Evan Uhlmann*
Greeters:*Deb Knock, Kenton & Kim Doehrmann*
PA System:*Sonya Uhlmann*
Reader:*Michael Jepson*
Stewardship:*Erica Wardenburg, Kelsi Cox, Peggy Wardenburg*
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.

Divine Service, Setting Four

Hymn	Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now	<i>LSB 902</i>
Invocation, Confession & Absolution of Sins		<i>LSB 203</i>

Introit*from Psalm 1*

- For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.
- ☩ **Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;**
- but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.
- ☩ **He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.**
- The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- ☩ **Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.**
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis*LSB 204***Salutation and Collect of the Day***LSB 205***Anthem**

Lead Me, Lord

Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:1–8

- ¹Hear what the LORD says:
Arise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.
- ²Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD,
and you enduring foundations of the earth,
for the LORD has an indictment against his people,
and he will contend with Israel.
- ³“O my people, what have I done to you?
How have I wearied you? Answer me!
- ⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt
and redeemed you from the house of slavery,
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.
- ⁵O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised,
and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”
- ⁶“With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?

⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"
⁸He has told you, O man, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

come less than or equal to 300% of the most recently revised poverty income guidelines published by the United States department of health and human services.

This bill will be phased in with requirements for the 2024-2025 school year and 2025-2026 school year with future ESA allowing all parents the opportunity to apply for an ESA.

STAY TUNED - More information will be coming.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:18–31

¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹For it is written,
“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”
²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.
²⁶For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹Therefore, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 205

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.
²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:
³“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
⁴“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
⁵“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

NEXT SAT: Adult Bible Study 4:30pm
Worship.....5:30pm
SUNDAY: Worship9:00am
Fellowship10:00am
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School10:15am
Elder meeting noon

The Lutheran Hour February 5 "**Your Time to Shine**" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes Light is necessary for life; God's light, even more so. (Matthew 5:14-16) 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 — 30 Sunday — 144 total = 174
 Adult Bible Study —20 Sunday School — NA Women's Bible Study— 20

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.

Student First/ESA Bill passes in both the IA House & Senate, Governor Reynolds Signs in law

The Student First/ESA Bill has passed in the Iowa House and Senate on Monday, January 23, 2023 and the early this morning of January 24, 2023. Governor Reynolds signed the bill into law on Tuesday, January 24th.

What does this mean for LIS? The Board of Directors will begin evaluating this information and how to meet the requirements for accepting families who apply and are accepted to get ESA funding at a Special Board of Directors meeting beginning this coming Tuesday, January 31, 2023 beginning at 6:30 pm in the school library.

The bill allows for the following groups during the 2023-2024 school year:

A student that is eligible to enroll in Kindergarten

A student who is eligible to enroll in grades one through twelve and was not enrolled in a non-public school for the school year immediately preceding the school year for which the education savings account payment is requested.

A student who is eligible to enroll in grades one through twelve and was enrolled in a nonpublic school year immediately preceding the school school for which the education savings account is requested if the pupil's household has an in!

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

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

Nicene Creed *LSB 206*

Hymn Son of God, Eternal Savior *LSB 842*

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Service of the Sacrament *LSB 208*

Distribution Hymns

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright *LSB 395*
 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table *LSB 618*
 O God of God, O Light of Light *LSB 810*

Post-Communion Liturgy *LSB 211*

Hymn Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us *LSB 851*

Announcements & Sending

Pastor: Let us go forth in peace

People: in the name of the Lord. Amen.

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Thank you to Rev. David Brandt for filling in for Pastor Ogilvie this weekend. We truly appreciate your service to us this weekend, Rev. Brandt!

If you are in need of pastoral care this weekend, Pastor Sears of Trinity, Conroy has graciously agreed to help. You may reach him at 319-662-4075.

Out 5th Sunday “Snowman theme” Potluck is this weekend at 11:30. Hope you’ll come and enjoy some good food, a few “snowman” theme games and some guitar music performed by one of our own , Ms Sammy Loy:)

The February Clarion is available. If you do not receive our congregational newsletter via email, you are encouraged to pick up a paper copy of it today. It may be found by either entrance into the

Sanctuary. If you know of someone who is unable to get to the church to pick up a copy, please get one and deliver it to them. Thanks!

SUNDAY SCHOOL resumes Sunday, February 5th! Join us for a fun filled month of Barnyard Roundup! 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.

St Paul clothing drive for Orphan Grain Train World Wide Relief will run from February 1 to March 5. (Men's clothing is especially needed). Also bath towels (dark colors preferred), bar soap, tissue packs and items for kits (see brochures on bulletin board). All clothing is accepted. Donations may be placed in boxes under coat rack in basement or in boxes on South end of Bible Study room. If you have questions you may call Bonnie Furler at 319 550-0646.

Needed—we are in need of people to serve in the fellowship hall after the Sunday worship services. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the west entrance.

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.

You are welcome to make use of the “Activity Bags” hanging on the hall tree at the rear of the church during worship. There are books, markers, etc to help keep your little ones occupied;)

Serving February 4 & 5 Acolytes— Sat: Rowdy Loy, Kayden Schaefer, Sun: Naomi Sitas, Graceyn Uhlmann; **Altar Guild**— Sat:/Sun: Jolene Schaefer, Karen Schwarting, Kristie Stansbury; **Elders**—Sat: Allan Schlesselman; Sun: Lyle Grimm; **Greeters**— Sat: Marilyn Murphy; Sun: Rosemary Fetzer, Ted & Sandy Miller; **Organist**—Sat./Sun: Karin Malloy; **PA System**—Mark Imhoff; **Reader**—Bonnie Furler; **Stewardship**—Leon Snyder, Theresa Glandorf, Jolene Schaefer; **Head Ushers**—Sat: Loren Timm, Richard Wichmann Sun: Richard Schaefer, Mike Feldman; **Ushers**—Loring Heitman, Tyler Schaefer, Justin Simmons.

Highlighted Birthdays and Anniversaries for January. We highlight children's, decade, and 80+ birthdays. We highlight 1st 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 29 – Katie Lou Martinson 5, 403 Long Street

Jan 30 – Frank Ogilvie 15, 406 Thornbury Ave. Iowa City 52245
Feb 1 – Matt Schaefer 50, 3147 M Ave., North English 52316
Feb 1 – Henry Zuber 1, 1926 Q Ave. Marengo 52301
Feb 3 – Davin Harper 14, 1349 Keokuk Iowa Rd, Webster 52355
Feb 6 – Sandra Ficken 84, 100 Village View Circle
Feb 6 – Evelyn Schmidt 82, 204 East South St., PO Box 646
Feb 8 – Marilyn Murphy 86, 130 Country Club Rd
Feb 9 – Dennis Huedepohl 83, 2282 U Ave.

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
Gary Harrison —surgery, 206 E Penn
Ken Mews—2138 NN Ave.
Florine Rowe in hospice, Colonial Manor 3207 220th Trl Amana, IA 52203
Mellissa Zuber, 1926 Q Ave. Marengo 52301

Card shower—Dorothy Lane is turning 90 on February 10th. Cards can be sent to 120 West Woodbine Dr, North English 52316

Open House—Ida Strunk turns 107 on February 12th. The party is going to be at Highland Ridge (Secret Garden Room on the 3rd floor in the independent section) from 1-3. Stop by and wish Ida a Happy Birthday.

On Friday, March 10 at 7:00 pm the Concordia Chicago Wind Symphony will perform in concert at Our Redeemer in Iowa City.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH & SERVICE

SATURDAY: Bible Study4:30pm
Worship 5:30pm
SUNDAY: Choir Rehearsal..... 8:00am
Worship/Choir.....9:00am
Fellowship.....10:00am
Adult Bible Study.....10:15am
MONDAY: Quilters 9:00am
TUESDAY: Men's & Women's Bible Studies..... 9:00am
WEDNESDAY: Midweek Gr 1st & 2nd5:00pm
LYF
6:00pm
Midweek Gr 5th & 6th
6:15pm
Midweek Gr 3rd & 4th 6:30pm
Confirmation Gr 7th & 8th 6:30pm