

Scripture Readings

Jan. 21	Third Sunday after the Epiphany	Jonah 3:1-5, 10	Psalm 62	1 Cor. 7:29-31 (32-35)	Mark 1:14-20
Jan. 28	Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany	Deut. 18:15-20	Psalm 111	1 Cor. 8:1-13	Mark 1:21-28
Feb. 4	Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany	Is. 40:21-31	Psalm 147:1-11	1 Cor. 9:16-27	Mark 1:29-39

NEED HELP - HIRE A YOUTH.

The high school youth group is looking to help you out around the house (examples - snow shoveling, cleaning, rearranging furniture, etc.)

For a free will donation as a fundraiser for the

National Youth Gathering in New Orleans the summer of 2025.

Call Brett Ohlde @ (785)632-7054 or

Addy Pfizenmaier (785)630-1016 for details.

During this season of cold and possibly inclement weather, please use caution in attending and traveling to worship services. This is a "Place of Grace" we always welcome worshippers, but also understand if some need to remain at home to be safe. **Our radio broadcast is on at 9:30 AM on Sunday's on KCLY Radio for those who are unable to venture out or view on Facebook live.** Tune in to KCLY and/or Facebook for weather related updates to the church schedule.

Looking for volunteers to sign-up to be a Greeter. Please contact Gene Ferguson if you would like to be a greeter or have any questions.

Looking for volunteers to sign-up to do Fellowship Host on Sunday Mornings. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who would like to volunteer. Any questions talk to Gene Ferguson or Pastor Tessaro. Thank you!

This Week's Schedule - January 20 through January 28

Saturday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM
 Family Education - 10:30 AM
Tuesday Friendship Circle - 7:00 PM
Wednesday **Bulletin Deadline - Noon**
 Midweek - 6:00 PM
Next Saturday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM
Next Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM
 Family Education - 10:30 AM
 Call Meeting - 2:00 PM

Welcome

to

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For 135 years!!!

OUR MISSION

"Existing in God's love and forgiveness, St. Paul proclaims the Gospel of Christ, helps people grow in faith, and nurtures lives of worship and service."

January 20 & 21, 2024

The Lord Calls Us to Himself by the Preaching of Repentance in His Name

When "the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time," sending him to preach judgment against the great city of Nineveh, "Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD" (Jonah 3:1, 3). By this preaching, the people were brought to repentance. Because they "believed God," as He spoke to them through His prophet, "they turned from their evil way" and were spared "the disaster that he had said he would do to them" (Jonah 3:5, 10). St. Paul also warns that "the appointed time has grown very short" (1 Cor. 7:29). Therefore, while we live in this world and deal with it, we are not to cling to it, nor put our trust in it, for "the present form of this world is passing away" (1 Cor. 7:31). Rather, give "your undivided devotion to the Lord" (1 Cor. 7:35). When our Lord Jesus Christ comes and is proclaimed in the Gospel, "the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand" (Mark 1:14-15). Therefore, He still calls men and sends them to become "fishers of men" with the net of that Gospel (Mark 1:17).

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Bob & Sharil Carlson -
 In Celebration of their Anniversary.
 The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$40.00.
 A book is in the Narthex to sign-up for dates.

WELCOME to our guests and congregation! We are glad you are here! Thank you for joining us for worship and please feel free to join us again!

Third Sunday after the Epiphany
Hymn #s - 904, 689, 621, 730, 525, 636, 923

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist	Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Gary Fredrickson
Ushers	Jerry Siebold, Allan Schmale, Ethan Schuette
Greeters	Jeremy & Kristi Hager
Live Stream	Jarrett Wachsnicht
Communion Assistant	Chuck Tromp, Wes Wright
Altar Guild	Lisa Dieckmann, Macey Hynek
Fellowship Host	Jermark

FAMILY EDUCATION - 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Preschool - Kindergarten - meet in Preschool Room (Basement)

1st Grade - 3rd Grade - meet in Tree Room (West Wing)

4th Grade - 6th Grade - meet in Puzzle Room (West Wing)

7th Grade - 12th Grade - meet in Conference Room (West Wing)

Adult - meet in Fellowship Hall (Basement)

Weekly Attendance	Sat	Sun	Total	Family Education Attendance	Total
Jan 6 & 7	29	115	144	Jan 7	24
Jan 13 & 14	12	39	51	Jan 14	NC

****Sunday, Jan. 28 **** there will be special music during worship as the Children's Hand-Chime Choir will be performing. The children in Hand-Chime Choir need to report to the preschool area around 8:45 AM. We are excited to have this addition to our worship.**

A Call meeting has been scheduled for January 28 at 2:00 pm. Our Circuit Visitor, Rev. Phillip Miller, will be here to lead us through the process of calling an Associate Pastor to St. Paul. Please join us for this important meeting. In the days ahead of the meeting pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as we call an Associate Pastor and continue to move forward in ministry!

Soup for the Super Bowl

The LYF is offering homemade soup for the Super Bowl - Sunday, February 11. The soup will be packaged in approximate one-quart containers for use at your Super Bowl parties or for use later on. Your donations for the soup will help fund Youth activities and servant trips.

IN OUR PRAYERS
Congregational Members

Remembering our shut-ins: Bonnie VonLehe-Advena, Irma Burger, Georgie Dierking-Presbyterian Manor; Betty Sump-Leonardville Nursing Home; Julie Hillman-Linn Nursing Home; Cedric Pfaff-Well Springs of Westmoreland; Bob Bauer, Lola Lehman-Liberty Place.

Health concerns: Rhen Davis, Stan Ohlde, Michelle Tessaro, Sierra Hitsman, Kinsey Hillman, Loyde Hager, Janet Thurlow, Kay Osthoff, Larry Rakowsky, and Dee Noffsinger.
Our outreach programs: Small Group Ministry, St. Paul Preschool, Radio Ministry, LWML Friendship Circle, and our Youth groups.

Larger Community Members

Healing: Amelia Moos, Joe Bunij, Gavin Carson, Jennifer Zimmerman, Gail Thomas, Sharon Wachsnicht, Ken Henry, Dwight Ferguson, Melody Maki, Anna Lippe, Eunice Meyer, Sarah Tessaro, Jackie Monroe, Jimmy Carlson, Sharon Schweitzer, Lois Nash, Lee, Melissa Dunn, Darlene Miller, Darla Wilder, Lon Gallup, Megan Loberg, Brody Reed, Rachelle Smith, Joe Parrlli, Taylor James, Sheila McGrew, Donald, Sandy Wohler, Marla Forsyth, Grant & Grace Goodin, Connie Winter, Kerri Brown, Ethan, Luke, and Ella Turner
Military: Kyle, David, Enrique, Liam, Cooper, Michael, and Evan.

Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

LeadaChild; For the Sake of the Church; Lutheran Bible Translators; Lutheran Heritage Foundation; KansaSEED Deaf Ministry; Lutheran Hour Ministries; North Central Kansas LCMS Outreach

Please remember to inform the church office when the person for whom you requested prayer should be removed from the prayer list.

Men's breakfast fellowship-- February 10. Our next men's breakfast fellowship is scheduled for February 10 at 7:30 am. We will meet in the basement fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Caleb Davis so we can prepare the proper amount of food. Text or call Caleb at 785-447-1694. Join us for this relaxed and enjoyable event!

Please join us for our Midweek Lenten services, beginning with Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14 - Ash Wednesday worship begins at 12:05 or 7:00. Other Midweek services will be at 12:05 and 7:30. Our series this year is by Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller of Austin, Texas, and is titled "St. John Passion." See you there!

Our youth group is sponsoring a fundraiser for 2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans at the Family Life Center located at the Methodist Church Wednesday February 7th 5p-7p. The menu is Sloppy Joes, Hashbrown Casserole, and Green Beans. We are asking for our Church members to provide a Salad or Dessert. We need 8 salads and 12 desserts and 25 packages of Hamburger Buns. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. Please come support our youth on February 7th.