# **Scripture Readings**

Feb. 4	Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany	ls. 40:21-31	Psalm 147:1- 11	1 Cor. 9:16-27	Mark 1:29-39
Feb. 11	The Transfiguration of Our Lord	Ex. 34:29-35		2 Cor. 3:12-13 (14-18); 4:1-6	Mark 9:2-9
Feb. 18	First Sunday in Lent	Gen. 22:1-18	Psalm 25:1- 10	James 1:12-18	Mark 1:9-15

## 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.

Our youth group in sponsoring a fundraiser for 2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans at the Family Life Center located at the Methodist Church Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

# This Week's Schedule - February 3 through February 11

Saturday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM Sunday Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM

Family Education - 10:30 AM

**Tuesday** Women's Bible Study - 9:30 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday Bulletin Deadline - Noon

Midweek - 6:00 PM

Prayer Shawl Ministry - 6:30 PM

Next Saturday Men's Fellowship Breakfast - 7:30 AM

Worship Service with Holy Communion - 6:30 PM

**Next Sunday** Worship Service with Holy Communion - 9:00 AM

Family Education - 10:30 AM Unified Boards - 1:00 PM Parish Directors - 2:30 PM

# Welcome

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# February 3 & 4, 2024 The Son of God, Christ Jesus, Makes Us a New Creation

The Lord alone "is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth" (Is. 40:28). He "sits above the circle of the earth" and "stretches out the heavens like a curtain" (Is. 40:22). Yet, His almighty power is demonstrated chiefly by His mercy and compassion. "He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength" (Is. 40:29). The only begotten Son of the Father, the very Word by whom all things were made, becomes flesh and takes all the poverty and weakness of our sin and death upon Himself, bearing it in His body to the cross. As He dies for us there, He also raises us up, a new creation, in His resurrection from the dead. Thus, by the preaching of this Word, He heals "many who were sick with various diseases," and He casts out "many demons" (Mark 1:34, 39). And His preaching continues through those whom He has sent, who are "entrusted with a stewardship" to "preach the gospel" (1 Cor. 9:16–17). Thus, we are set free by the Word of Christ, and we exercise our freedom in loving service to others.

**RADIO BROADCAST** this week is sponsored by Bev Lang. 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!

# Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany Hymn #s - 803, 398, 622, 611, 537, 729, 526 SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Nola Schmale

**Ushers** Mark Pfizenmaier, Walt Lenhart, Kenyon Badsky

Greeters Jerry & Betty Siebold Live Stream Jarrett Wachsnicht

**Acolyte** Aubrey Pfizenmaier, Janae Wohler

Communion Assistant Craig Parry, Caleb Davis

Altar Guild Kathy Burger, Rosie Hager, Kelly Holte, Joyce Laflin,

Pam Sump, Michelle Tessaro

Fellowship Host Lyle & Linda Underwood

#### 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
Jan 20 & 21	30	93	123
Jan 27 & 28	33	105	138

Family Education Attendance	Total
Jan 21	20
Jan 28	34

# 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!

#### **UNIFIED BOARDS**

will meet on Sunday, February 11 at 1:00 PM in the Sanctuary and Parish Director's Meeting will follow at 2:30 PM.
All board members and officers are encouraged to participate.

Looking for volunteers to be Greeters. 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!

# 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: Carolyn Brown, Steve Jordan, Rhen Davis, Stan Ohlde, 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: 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.

**Sorrow:** Family & friends of Kerry Christensen

Women's Bible Study on Tuesday, February 6 9:30 AM & 6:30 PM Blessings, Salt, Light Please join us & bring a friend.

## Mission Efforts beyond St. Paul

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

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

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!

We are looking for sponsors for the Radio Broadcast for the year 2024. Please see the sign-up book located in the Narthex to choose your week to sponsor for the cost of \$40. You can sponsor in celebration of, in memory of, or in honor of someone or something special in your life to give thanks to God!

Pancake Supper
Hosted by the Zion Men's
Club
210 Church Street
Linn, KS
February 18
5:30pm-8:00pm

Call in to-go orders Kyle Peters 785-632-0372 Terry Ohlde 785-747-6554 Levi Ohlde 785-747-6398