

Scripture Readings

Feb. 18	First Sunday in Lent	Gen. 22:1-18	Psalm 25:1-10	James 1:12-18	Mark 1:9-15
Feb. 25	Second Sunday in Lent	Gen. 17:1-7, 15-16	Psalm 22:23-31	Rom. 5:1-11	Mark 8:27-38
Mar. 3	Third Sunday in Lent	Ex. 20:1-17	Psalm 19	1 Cor. 1:18-31	John 2:13-22 (23-25)

Please join us for our Midweek Lenten services,
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!

****Sunday, Feb. 25 **** 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.**

Women's Bible Study on
Tuesday, February 20
9:30 AM & 6:30 PM
How we are to Pray, not Worry, & have the Peace of God
Please join us & bring a friend.

This Week's Schedule - February 17 through February 25	
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 Lenten Service - 12:05 PM & 7:30 PM 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

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."

February 17 & 18, 2024

Christ Jesus Defeats Our Temptation and Saves Us by His Faithfulness

In faith and the fear of God, Abraham prepared to sacrifice his beloved son, Isaac. At the Word of the Lord, he "took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son." And "when they came to the place of which God had told him," Abraham bound Isaac "and laid him on the altar" (Gen. 22:6, 9). Then God stayed Abraham's hand and provided "for himself the lamb for a burnt offering" (Gen. 22:8). That Lamb is God's own beloved Son, Jesus, in whom "all the nations of the earth" are blessed (Gen. 22:18). As the Substitute for all the sons of men, Jesus is driven by the Spirit "into the wilderness" to be "tempted by Satan" (Mark 1:12-13) in order to endure and defeat all temptation. We are tempted by our own desire, which conceives and "gives birth to sin" (James 1:14-15). But this blessed Man, Christ Jesus, remained "steadfast under trial," and He has received "the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him" (James 1:12). His faithfulness, His victory and His life are now given to us by His grace in the Gospel.

RADIO BROADCAST this week is sponsored by Lyle & Linda Underwood.
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!

First Sunday in Lent
Hymn #s - 915, 594, 620, 664, 648, 547, 716

SERVING THIS WEEKEND

Organist	Sat. Connie Paronto/Sun. Gary Fredrickson
Ushers	Tim Burger, Dave Jermark, Deron Rosenow
Greeters	Garry & Marty Stenzel
Live Stream	Jarrett Wachsnicht
Acolyte	Andyn Johnson, Kyson Badsky
Communion Assistant	Gene Ferguson, Brad Dieckmann
Altar Guild	Kathy Burger, Rosie Hager, Kelly Holte, Joyce Laflin, Pam Sump, Michelle Tessaro
Fellowship Host	Baxters

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
Feb 3 & 4	30	108	138
Feb 10 & 11	30	115	145

Family Education Attendance	Total
Feb 4	40
Feb 11	35

New Evangelism Booklets & Devotional Material - "The Word in Season", "PORTALS of PRAYER", and "My Devotions" (Daily Readings for Young Children)
 devotion books are in!!
 Feel free to take one or more for family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers.

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

Tuesday, February 27th
 Friendship Circle Meeting. This meeting is our soup supper evening, starts at 6:30 pm and is our prayer service. All women are welcome to attend.

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, 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.

2024 Easter Lily Order
 There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex if you would like to provide a Easter Lily in memory or honor of someone you love or a special occasion.
 The cost of the plant is \$12.00.

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

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

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

We are looking for sponsors for the Radio Broadcast for the year 2024. There are a number openings that still to need to be filled. The number of openings available are in () after the month. Available openings are in April (1), May (1), June (2), July (2), August (1), September (5), October (2), November (1), & December (2).
 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!