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**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)**

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Mission Statement

*“Empowered by God’s Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people.”*

Vision Statement

*“We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members,  
community,  
and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while  
preaching and  
teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ.”*

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**SUNDAY MORNINGS (SEPTEMBER - MAY)**

✝ Divine Service w/Holy Communion:

○ 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

✝ Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.

✝ Sunday School: 10:15 am – 11:15 am

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- **Nursery available:** For families with small children, there is a designated room in the basement (down the hall, on the right, from the old Parish Hall). You will find a changing table, crib, a few books and toys. Please feel free to use anytime during the worship service.
- Today's service broadcast can be found on **KOWZ 1170 AM or 106.3 FM**; or **Live Streaming on Facebook for your convenience.**
- **Lutheran Hour:** The Lutheran Hour can be heard on radio stations WCCO 830AM, Sunday, 6:05 AM; and KDHL920 AM, Faribault, Sunday, 6:00 PM.
- **WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!** If you are a visitor, we look forward to visiting with you today and in the near future. Please write your name, address, and phone number in our visitor's book located at the back of church at the visitor's desk. We invite you to fellowship, coffee & treats following the worship service. Adult Bible Study begins at 10:30 a.m. with Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. **Any guest wishing to receive communion here at St Paul Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor or the Elder on duty prior to the church service.** Thank you.
- **Preparing for Holy Communion, please refer to the section in the bulletin "Service of the Sacrament".**
- **Church Offering Envelopes** are a handy way of keeping track of your donations while keeping your donations private. Please remember to use them each Sunday for offerings. Thank you.
- **Individual or Family Pastoral Care:** Please remember that Private devotion and Holy Communion are available for individuals or couples that are homebound, at greater risk for COVID, or in times of emergency. Call the church office at 507-835-2647 to schedule an appointment when needed.
- **Looking for volunteers for Radio and Facebook. Contact the church office if interested**
- In honor of "Sanctity of Human Life" during January, 2025, Cotta Guild will be collecting donations through January for Rachel's Hope, a caring pregnancy center in Austin, MN. They serve pregnant women and families through the age of 2. They offer free pregnancy testing, peer counseling, and assistance during pregnancy and early childhood. Items on their wish list are children's winter coats, diaper rash cream, clothing 2T-5T, diaper bags, baby lotion, baby wipes, and pacifiers. Cotta Guild will have boxes by the elevator during the month of January for your donations. Thank you for your support of life.



- **William Robert Kortuem**, son of Blake and Emilee Kortuem, will be baptized today. Sponsor/Witnesses: Drew Kortuem. Welcome into God's family
- **Voter's Meeting: Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 @ 10:15am.** Items to be discussed: New parish hall rental agreement, 2024 financial report. Cotta Guild will be having a Spaghetti Luncheon at 10:45 \$5.00 per person.

The Triune God Opens Heaven to You in Holy Baptism

The Baptism of our Lord is an “Epiphany” of the one true God in the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ. In divine mercy, He takes His place with sinners and takes their sin upon Himself. “When all the people were baptized,” Jesus submitted Himself to a Baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins (Luke 3:21). He had no sins of His own, but He took the sins of the world upon Himself and so was baptized into His own death. Therefore, “when you pass through the waters,” He is with you (Is. 43:2). He created you for His glory, and He has redeemed you with His blood, that you may be His own and live with Him in His kingdom (Is. 43:1, 7). As you are baptized with a Baptism like His, so also are you united with Him in His death and resurrection that you “might walk in newness of life” (Rom. 6:4). For all who are baptized into Christ Jesus receive His anointing of the Holy Spirit and are named by His Father as beloved and well-pleasing sons and daughters.

Processional Hymn: To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord

LSB 406 sts. 1-4



1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His  
 2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him -  
 3 These truths on Jor - dan's banks were shown By might - y  
 4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to



Fa - ther's plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word  
 self has spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell  
 word and won - der. The Fa - ther's voice from heav'n came down,  
 us ex - tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove



Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing  
 And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His  
 Which we do well to pon - der: “This man is My be -  
 Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -



now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion  
 Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.  
 lov - ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.  
 sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,



And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's  
 God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while  
 Him you must hear, and Him a - lone, And trust in full -  
 That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find



op - pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.  
 be - stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.  
 est mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken.”  
 a dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.

## **Invocation**

LSB 268

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## **Baptismal Address**

- P** Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.” And the apostle Peter has written, “Baptism now saves you.”

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

*The pastor addresses each candidate:*

### **Naming of the Candidate**

- P** How are you named?  
**R** William Robert

*The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of each candidate while saying:*

### **Sign of the Cross**

- P** William Robert, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your ✠ forehead and upon your ✠ heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

## **The Flood Prayer**

- P** Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold William according to Your boundless mercy and bless him with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in him, which has been inherited from Adam and which he himself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that he be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, he would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

### **Holy Gospel for Baptism**

**P** Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*The pastor places his hands on the head of the candidate, and the congregation joins in praying:*

### **Lord’s Prayer**

**C** 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.**

### **Blessing**

**P** The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even † forevermore.

**C** Amen.

*The congregation may be seated.*

*The pastor addresses the candidate and asks the following questions:*

### **Renunciation**

**P** *William*, do you renounce the devil?

**R** *Yes, I renounce him.*

**P** Do you renounce all his works?

**R** *Yes, I renounce them.*

**P** Do you renounce all his ways?

**R** *Yes, I renounce them.*

### **Profession of Faith**

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

**R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** Do you believe 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?

**R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** Do you 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?

**R** *Yes, I believe.*

**P** *William*, do you desire to be baptized?

**R** *Yes, I do.*

*The pastor pours water three times on the head of each candidate while saying:*

### **The Baptism**

**P** *William Robert*, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

*The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:*

### **Blessing of the Newly Baptized**

**P** The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life ✠ everlasting.

**C** **Amen.**

*The pastor may place a white garment on the newly baptized while saying:*

### **Presentation of the White Garment**

- P** Receive this white garment to show that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

*The pastor may light a baptismal candle from the paschal candle and give it to the newly baptized while saying:*

### **Presentation of the Baptismal Candle**

- P** Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

*The newly baptized may be welcomed with the following:*

### **The Welcome**

- A** In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you *a member* of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and *an heir* with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our *brother* in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- C** Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

*Stand*

### **Collect for the newly baptized**

- P** Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted *William* the new birth in Holy Baptism and made *him a member* of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and *an heir* of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as *he has* now become Your *child*, You would keep *him* in *his* baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure *he* may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.

## **Thanksgiving for the gift of a child**

**P** Heavenly Father, You sent Your own Son into this world as the child of the virgin Mary. We thank You for the life of this child entrusted to our care. Help us remember that we are all Your children and so love and nurture him that he may attain to the full stature intended for him in Your eternal kingdom, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## **The Peace**

**P** Peace ✠ be with you.

**C** Amen.

*The congregation rises as they sing praise to God, while the Baptismal party returns to its pew.*

## **Hymn: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

*LSB 805*

△ 1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

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## Service of the Word

### Introit

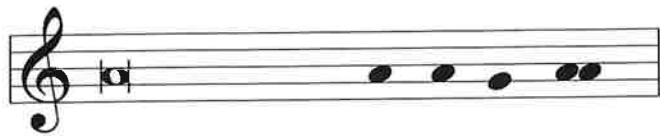
*Psalm 2:7–11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a*



- P** Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,\*  
my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.
- C** I will tell of | the decree:\*  
The LORD said to me, “You are my Son; today I have be- | gotten you.
- P** Ask of me, and I will make the nations your | heritage,\*  
and the ends of the earth your pos- | session.
- C** You shall break them with a | rod of iron\*  
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s | vessel.”
- P** Now therefore, O | kings, be wise;\*  
be warned, O rulers | of the earth.
- C** Serve the |LORD with fear,\*  
and rejoice with | trembling,
- P** for his wrath is quickly | kindled.\*  
Blessèd are all who take ref- | uge in him.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be-| ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**
- C** Behold my servant, whom | I uphold,\*  
my chosen, in whom my | soul delights.

### Kyrie

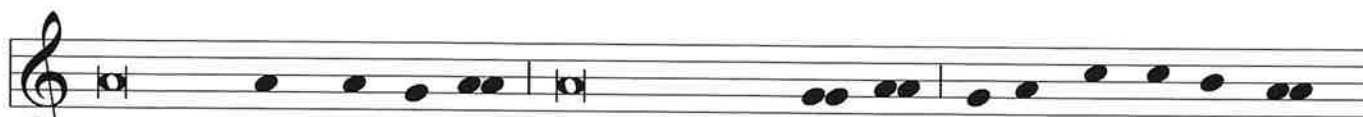
*LSB 168*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



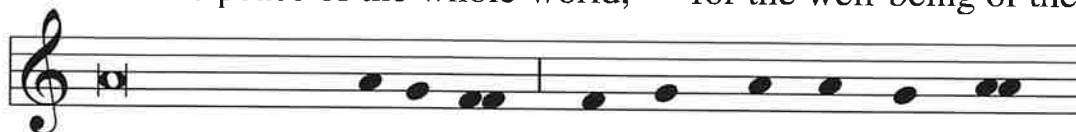
**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



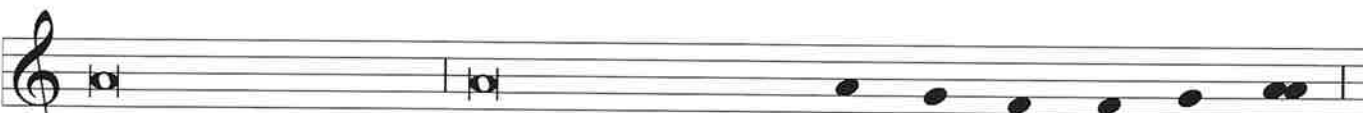
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



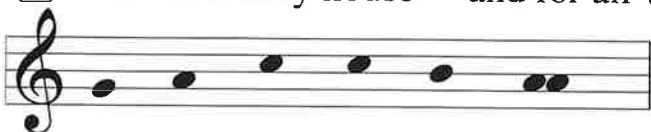
and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



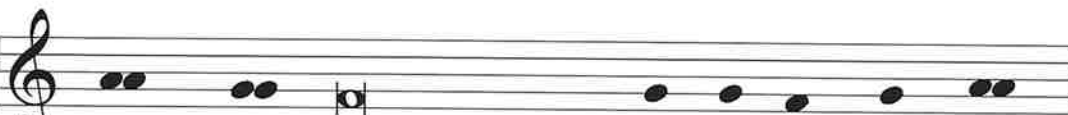
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

# Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 170

**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

**C** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and  
Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we  
praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly  
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You  
take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on  
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the  
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a - lone are the  
Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord, You a -  
lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray. Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 43:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

<sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. <sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. <sup>5</sup>Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. <sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, <sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 117:1-2a; 96:8*



**P** Praise the LORD, all | nations!\*  
Extol him, all | peoples!

**C** For great is his steadfast | love toward us,\*  
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;\*  
bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

## Epistle

*Romans 6:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 173*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**P** Alleluia. You are my beloved Son;  
**C** with you I am well pleased. Alleluia.

*Mark 1:11b*

**Holy Gospel**

*Luke 3:15–22*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

# Hymn of the Day: To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord

LSB 406 sts. 5-7

5 To His dis - ci - ples spoke the Lord, "Go out to  
6 But woe to those who cast a - side This grace so  
7 All that the mor - tal eye be - holds Is wa - ter

ev - 'ry na - tion, And bring to them the liv - ing Word  
free - ly giv - en; They shall in sin and shame a - bide  
as we pour it. Be - fore the eye of faith un - folds

And this My in - vi - ta - tion: Let ev - 'ry - one a -  
And to de - spair be driv - en. For born in sin, their  
The pow'r of Je - sus' mer - it. For here it sees the

ban - don sin And come in true con - tri - tion  
works must fail, Their striv - ing saves them nev - er;  
crim - son flood To all our ills bring heal - ing;

To be bap - tized and there - by win Full par - don and  
Their pi - ous acts do not a - vail, And they are lost  
The won - ders of His pre - cious blood The love of God

re - mis - sion And heav'n - ly bliss in - her - it."  
for - ev - er, E - ter - nal death their por - tion.  
re - veal - ing, As - sur - ing His own par - don.

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## Sermon

## Offering Music

### Offertory

LSB 176

**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to  
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

### Prayer of the Church

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

Blessed Lord, You wonderfully foreshadowed the promise of Baptism in the passing of Your people through the Red Sea and Jordan River. In Christ and by His Baptism, You have kept Your Word and made Baptism the water of new life. Give us Your Holy Spirit, that we would walk as the new and holy people You have declared us to be. Lord, in Your mercy,

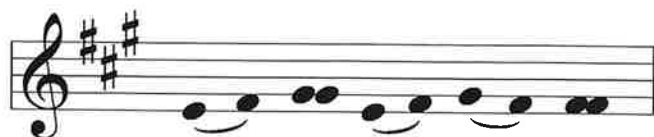
**C** hear our prayer.

- P** We give You thanks that You call and gather the baptized into Your Church. Prosper the good work of preaching the Gospel and administering the life-giving Sacraments. Bless Matthew, our Synod president; Lucas, our district president; Michael, our pastor; and all who ministers of the Gospel, that their service would be faithful and fruitful. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Preserve the family, especially all Christian homes. Turn husband and wife toward one another in love, equip fathers and mothers for their holy duty as teachers of the faith, and preserve all children in the saving faith and certain promises of their Baptism unto life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, Your Son, Jesus, is the Christ and the true King of this world. Grant great humility to the rulers of the nations, that they would submit to the preaching of His Holy Word for the sake of their own souls and for the good of Your holy people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** We give You thanks for standing with us in times of weakness, illness, despair and death. Give us every aid of Your Holy Spirit, that we may endure these afflictions and find comfort in the healing wounds of our Savior. [*We especially remember \_\_\_\_\_ and ask for their healing and relief according to Your will.*] Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** O Lord, as You have joined us to Christ's death and resurrection in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, so feed us His body and blood for forgiveness and life in the Sacrament of the Altar. Give to Your baptized children who partake of the Supper today tender hearts that confess their need and rejoice in Your gifts. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, heavenly Father, You manifested Yourself with the Holy Spirit in the fullness of grace at the Baptism of Your dear Son. With Your voice, You directed us to the One who has borne our sins, that we may receive grace and forgiveness. Keep us, we implore You, in the true faith. Since we have been baptized in accordance with Your command and the example of Your Son, strengthen our faith by Your Holy Spirit and lead us to everlasting life and salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

## Service of the Sacrament

LSB 177

### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al-so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



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



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



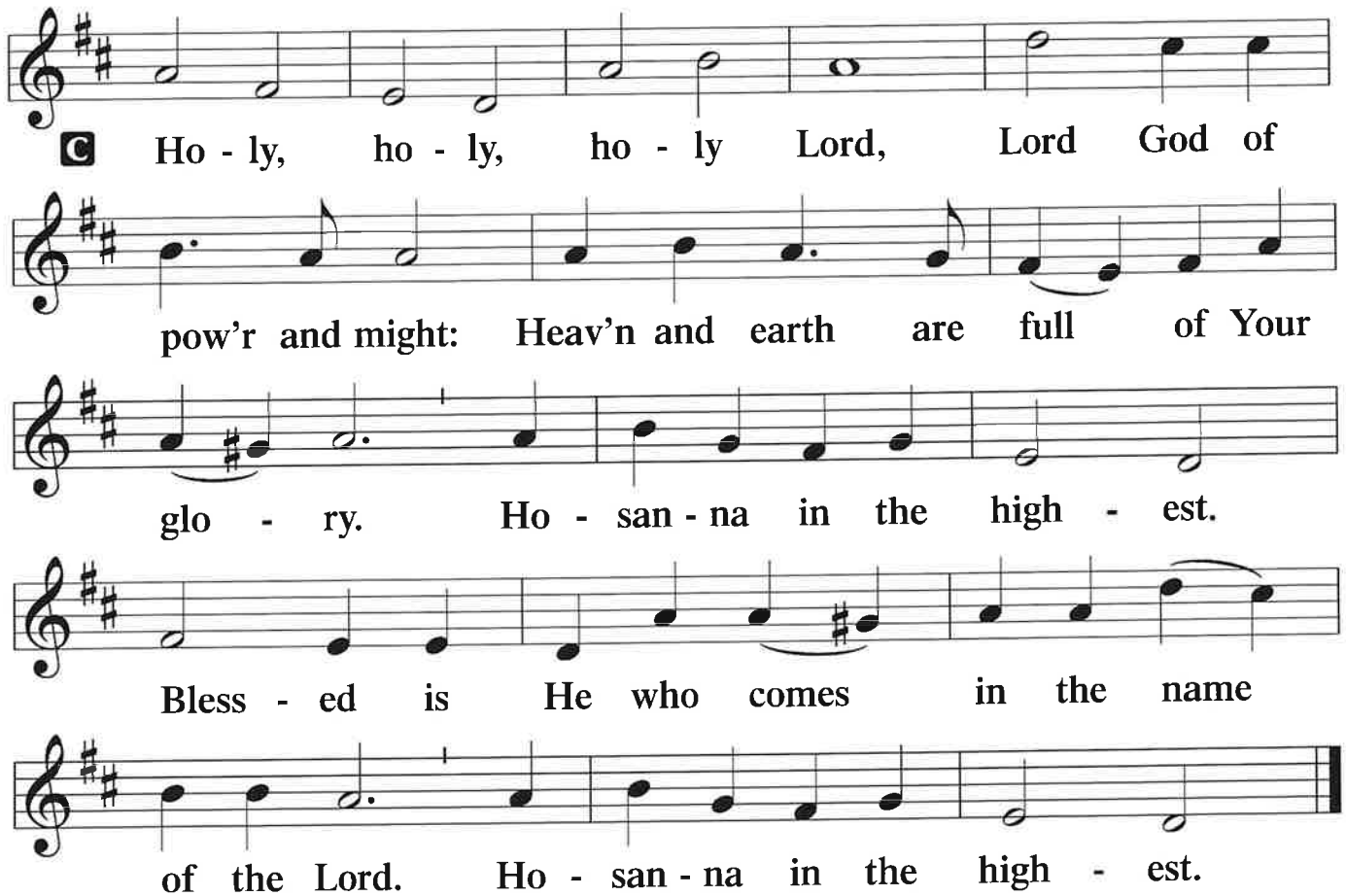
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for at His Baptism Your voice from heaven revealed Him as Your beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him, confirming Him to be the Christ. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 178



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. 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.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 178

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 179

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** 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.

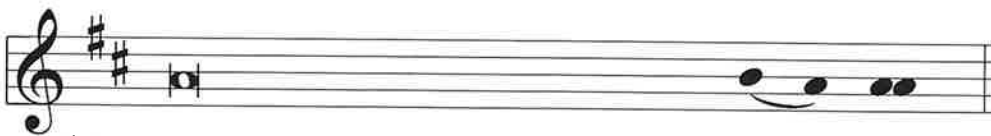
## The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 180



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

Agnus Dei



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



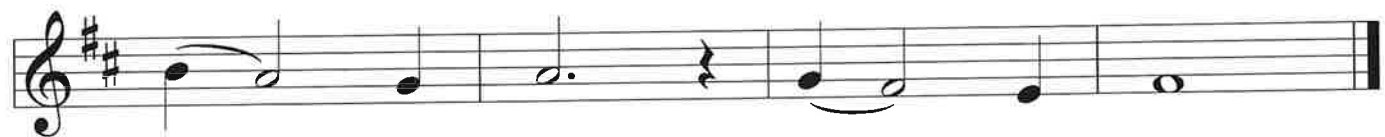
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;

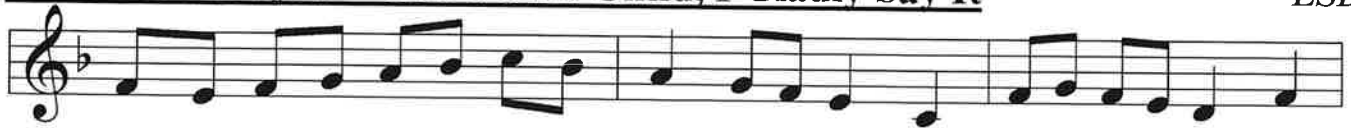


grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

**Distribution Hymn: God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It**

LSB 594



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap - tized  
 2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap - tized  
 3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap - tized  
 4 Death, you can - not end my glad - ness: I am bap - tized  
 5 There is noth - ing worth com - par - ing To this life - long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,  
 in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong - er:  
 in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,  
 in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness  
 com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:



Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth's  
 Je - sus' cleans - ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y  
 I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the  
 To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in  
 E - ven there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -



trea - sures man - y? I have one worth  
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism  
 font I've trav - eled, All your might has  
 dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance  
 waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -



more than an - y That brought me sal -  
 did re - lease me In a dear for -  
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your  
 bright - ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the  
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized



va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!  
 giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?  
 tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!  
 strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.  
 in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

# Distribution Hymn: Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

LSB 590



1 Bap-tized in - to Your name most ho - ly, O Fa - ther, Son, and  
2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, here You take me To be hence-forth Your  
3 My faith - ful God, You fail me nev - er; Your prom - ise sure - ly  
4 All that I am and love most dear-ly— Re - ceive it all, O



Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a place, though weak and low - ly,  
child and heir. My faith - ful Sav - ior, here You make me  
will en - dure. O cast me not a - way for - ev - er  
Lord, from me. Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly;



A - mong Your saints, Your cho - sen host. Bur - ied with Christ and  
The fruit of all Your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it,  
If words and deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I  
Help me Your faith - ful child to be! Let noth - ing that I



dead to sin, Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.  
com - fort me When threat-'ning clouds a - round I see.  
come de - filed; For - give, lift up, re - store Your child.  
am or own Serve an - y will but Yours a - lone.

Text: Johann Jacob Rambach, 1693–1735, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Cornelius Heinrich Dretzel, 1697–1775

Text and tune: Public domain

## Distribution Hymn

LSB 389



1 Let all to - geth - er praise our God Be - fore His  
2 He leaves His heav'n - ly Fa - ther's throne, Is born an  
3 With - in an earth - born form He hides His all - cre -  
4 He un - der - takes a great ex - change, Puts on our



glo - rious throne; To - day He o - pens heav'n a - gain To  
in - fant small, And in a man - ger, poor and lone, Lies  
at - ing light; To serve us all He hum - bly cloaks The  
hu - man frame, And in re - turn gives us His realm, His



give us His own Son, To give us His own Son.  
in a hum - ble stall, Lies in a hum - ble stall.  
splen - dor of His might, The splen - dor of His might.  
glo - ry, and His name, His glo - ry, and His name.

5 He is a servant, I a lord:  
How great a mystery!  
How strong the tender Christ Child's love!  
No truer friend than He,  
No truer friend than He.

6 He is the key and He the door  
To blessèd paradise;  
The angel bars the way no more.  
To God our praises rise,  
To God our praises rise.

△ 7 Your grace in lowliness revealed,  
Lord Jesus, we adore  
And praise to God the Father yield  
And Spirit evermore;  
We praise You evermore.

## The Dismissal

LSB 181

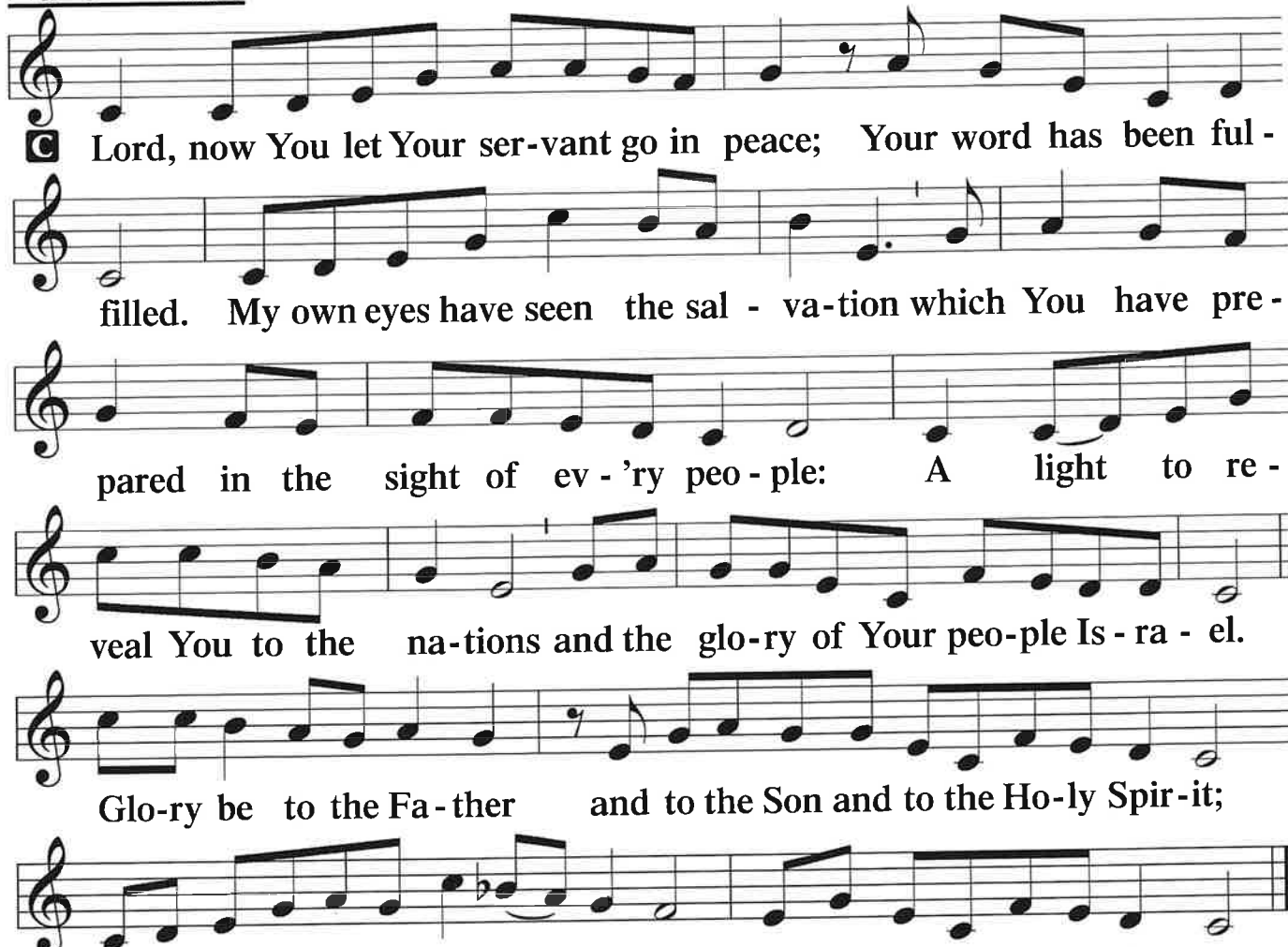
**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 182



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which You have prepared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re - veal You to the na - tions and the glo - ry of Your peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## Post-Communion Collect

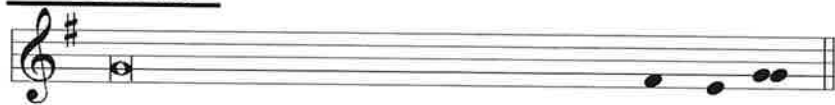
**A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - - men.

## Benediction

LSB 183



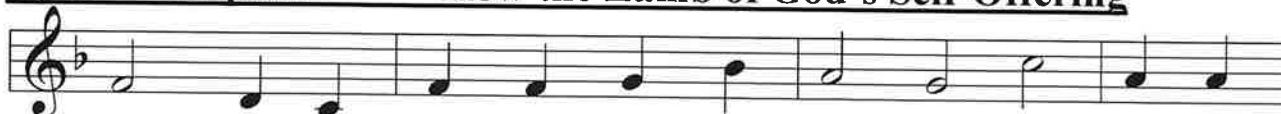
**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.



**C** A - - - men.

## Hymn to Depart: Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering

LSB 600



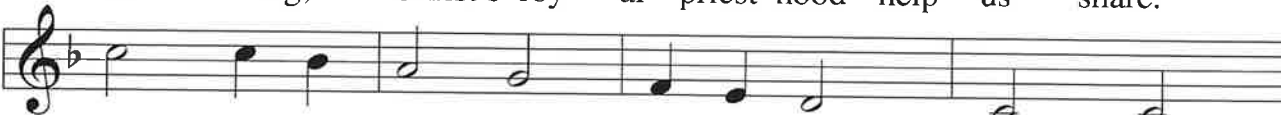
1 Mark how the Lamb of God's self - of - f'ring Our hu - man  
2 From this as - sur - ance of God's fa - vor Je - sus goes  
3 Grant us, O God, the strength and cour - age To live the



sin - ful - ness takes on In the birth - wa - ters of the  
to the wil - der - ness, There to en - dure a time of  
faith our lips de - clare; Bless us in our bap - tis - mal



Jor - dan As Je - sus is bap - tized by John.  
test - ing That read - ied Him to teach and bless.  
call - ing; Christ's roy - al priest-hood help us share.



Hear how the voice from heav - en thun - ders, "Lo,  
So we, by wa - ter and the Spir - it Bap -  
Turn us from ev - 'ry false al - le - giance, That



this is My be - lov - ed Son." See how in dove-like  
tized in - to Christ's min - is - try, Are of - ten led to  
we may trust in Christ a - lone: Raise up in us a



form the Spir - it De - scends on God's A - noint - ed One.  
paths of ser - vice Through maz - es of ad - ver - si - ty.  
cho - sen peo - ple Trans - formed by love to be Your own.



## **BUS TRIP TO MARCH FOR LIFE AT STATE CAPITOL**

### **Janesville Area Lutherans for Life**

will again be sponsoring a bus trip to the annual  
**MCCL March For Life** event at the MN State Capitol on  
Wednesday January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.

This event, held each year, commemorates the unborn lives lost and the women and men who have been wounded by abortion. ***But this year the March comes after extreme action taken by lawmakers in St. Paul in 2024 including measures enshrining abortion-up-to-birth and repealing a right to lifesaving care for newborn babies, as well as a dramatic increase in abortions in MN.***

### **Event Details**

***Bus is leaving from Trinity parking lot at 8:15***

***We will be attending the Life Chapel service at Graebner Memorial Chapel at 10:30***

***Bus will then take us to the Capitol for the March For Life event at Noon.***

***Bring a sack lunch. Water and cookies will be provided.***

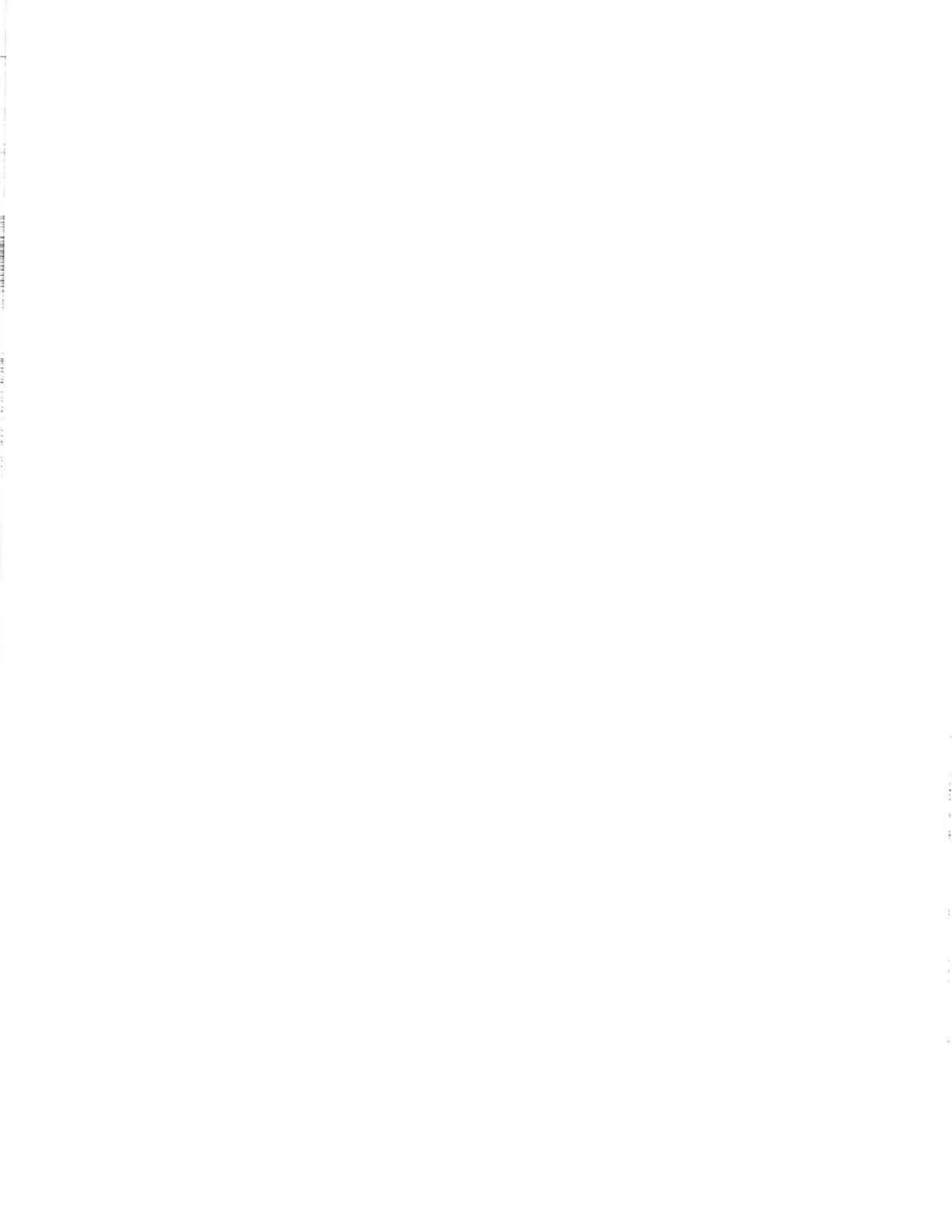
***Dress warm!***

***We should be arriving back in Janesville around 3:00pm***

***No charge for the bus, but space is limited so advance registration is required.***

***Free will offerings to go towards future LFL events and education are greatly appreciated.***

**For more information or to sign up for a seat on the bus, email [jaforlife1@gmail.com](mailto:jaforlife1@gmail.com) or call the Trinity church office at 507-231-5189**



## IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Called Home:**

**Upcoming Surgery:**

**Cancer Treatment:** Debbie Pehrson, Guy Robinson, Terry George, Tim Andree, Dixie Flitter

**Treatment and testing:** Traehvon Clark

**Prayer for continued recovery and healing and Thanksgiving:** Rueben Draeger, Sheila Hogetvedt, Kraig Deling, Douglas Robinson, Chantel Fogal, Joy Weir, Jacob Williams

**Illness:** Cindy Kuschel,

**Those who are sick and/or in need and wish to remain unnamed.**

**Those who are living in Florida and everyone who are dealing with the hurricanes and aftermath.**

**All the service men & women who are serving in the military:** Gavin Doering, Jacob Lemmen, Aaron & Sarah Lenz, Josiah Nieves, Jason Paschall, David Reinsbach, John Thompson

**Waseca Circuit Missionaries:** Rev. Dr. Stephen Oliver (Taiwan) & John Wolff (Kenya)

**Those affected by Natural disasters**

### SAVE THE DATE:

**FW BREAKFAST: 7am-noon today.** Come support our Youth Mission Trip Team

**Hot Beef Commercial Drive Thru:** Friday January 17<sup>th</sup> @ 5p-6:30p

**Winter's Meeting:** Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> @ 10:15am

**Youth Gathering in Chatfield, MN:** February 14-15, 2025 (more info to come)

**Bowling Competition @ Hoot Lanes:** February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (more info to come)

### SAVE THE DATE:

**MARRIAGE RETREAT:** Friday February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 – 6 sessions starting at 5pm at St Paul Lutheran Church. \$35.00 per couple includes meals and a 6-week program called "Prepare and Enrich Your Marriage". See bulletin board for more information and sign-up sheet.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT:** A 24-hour spiritual blast will be occurring Friday March 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at Camp Omega. The leaders are attempting to secure a great keynote speaker. I am praying this great keynote speaker will be available. Keep an eye out for more upcoming information.

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: January 12<sup>th</sup> to January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Sunday (12<sup>th</sup>):**

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Communion w/Communion (Facebook Live and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

10:15 am Sunday School **And** Coffee hour With Adult Bible Study

**7am- Noon Breakfast at VFW for the Youth Mission Trip Team Fundraiser**

**Monday (13<sup>th</sup>):**

10 am Prayer Team (All Prayer Warriors Welcome!!)

**6 pm NSC Board Meeting**

**Tuesday (14<sup>th</sup>):**

1:00 pm Quilter's

**\*\*\*Newsletter Articles Due\*\*\*\***

**Wednesday (15<sup>th</sup>):**

**3:30pm Confirmation grades 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> and 5pm – 7pm Youth Group**

**7:00pm Senior Choir**

**Thursday (16<sup>th</sup>):**

6:00 am Bible Study @ Jonnie Bean

**Friday(17<sup>th</sup>):**

**5pm-6:30pm Hot Beef Commercial Drive Thru Youth Mission Trip Team**

**Saturday (18<sup>th</sup>):**

**Sunday (19<sup>th</sup>):**

9:00 a.m. Divine Service w/Communion w/Communion (Facebook Live and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)

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**SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:**

**THIS WEEK: January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025:**

**ORGANIST:** Mathias Barents

**ACOLYTE:** Owen Arndt

Joel Hammer

**GREETER:** Elliana Grannis

**RADIO MONITOR:** Ron Wood

**FACEBOOK:** Cindy Gilmore

**ELDER:** Jerry Flogstad

**DEACON:** Harold Christianson

**NEXT WEEK: January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025:**

**ORGANIST:** Cindy Wood

**ACOLYTE:** Kameron Kunkel

Mason Prescher

**GREETER:** Makayla Clark

**RADIO MONITOR:** Cindy Gilmore

**FACEBOOK:** Debbie Roemhildt

**ELDER:** Jerry Flogstad

**DEACON:** Harold Christianson

Sunday January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025: 9am: 107 Adult Bible Study: 10

General Fund: for 12/29/24: \$70.00

General Fund 1/5/25 (in person & Direct Deposit): \$15,650.85

Improvement Fund: \$110.00 Handicap Entrance: \$ 200.00 Higher Things: \$35.00

In Memory of Loy Spies: \$50.00

**\*\*Amount needed each week to meet budget: \$5,400.00 \*\***