

IN OUR PRAYERS

✠ *Birthday:* Shirley Hutfilz – 84 on January 23rd

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Today: *Third Sunday after the Epiphany*
Divine Service, Setting 3 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Bible Class 10:45 a.m.

Monday: Ladies Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Sanctuary Renovation Subcommittee Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday: World Relief Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Confirmation Class 5:30 p.m.
Endowment Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Church Council 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Chapel 8:05 a.m.
LifeLight Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
Building Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.

Thursday: Quilters 10:00 a.m.
Handbells 6:30 p.m.
Mixed Choir 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: Divine Service 5:00 p.m.

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Divine Service 9:30 a.m.
-Handbells
Sunday Morning Bible Class 10:45 a.m.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Preacher: Rev. Dr. William L. Morris
Liturgist: Rev. Richard E. Mundt
Organist: Mr. Brian J. Heinlein
Acolyte: Jalynn Bauman (5:00pm)
Landon Sherry (9:30am)
Videographer: Anthony Wolter



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Our Communion Practice

We welcome those who are confirmed members of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations to commune with us. We believe that Christ gave us His true body and blood under the forms of bread and wine in the sacrament for the strengthening of our faith, for the assurance of our forgiveness, and for the grace of God to live a God-pleasing life. We come to the Lord's Table repenting of our sins, believing in Jesus Christ for forgiveness, and with the prayerful intention to amend our sinful lives with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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“Everything About Him Means Light”

January 21 & 22, 2023

† Third Sunday after the Epiphany †

Introit *Psalm 22:27-31; antiphon: v. 22*

I will tell of your name to my | brothers;*
in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you.

**All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD,*
and all the families of the nations shall worship be- | fore you.**

For kingship belongs | to the LORD,*
and he rules over the | nations.

**All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;*
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who
could not keep him- | self alive.**

Posterity shall | serve him;*

it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;

**they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet
unborn,***

that he has | done it.

**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.

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in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you.

Collect of the Day

☩ Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☩ Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 9:1-4*

¹ There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. ³ You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. ⁴ For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

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 *1 Corinthians 1:10-18*

¹⁰I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. ¹²What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Holy Gospel *Matthew 4:12-25*

¹²When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—¹⁶the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned."

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

¹⁸While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. ²⁵And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

☩ Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

EPISTLE READING

☩ Thanks be to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL

☩ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

☩ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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SERMON

Text: Matthew 4:12-25

Theme: **"Everything About Him
Means Light"**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

☩ Lord, in Your mercy,

☩ Hear our prayer.

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