

IN OUR PRAYERS

✠Ill/Hospitalized: Carol Wardin - released

✠Birthdays: Elaine Preuss - 91 on February 2nd
Mary Yackel - 82 on February 5th

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Today: *Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*
Divine Service 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship Time
Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 a.m.

Monday: Ladies Bible Study 9:30 a.m. (Church conference)
Prayer Shawl Circle 1:00 p.m. (Classroom 2)
Men's Club Meeting (Classroom 1)

Tuesday: World Relief Quilters 9:00 a.m. (Craft room)
Confirmation Class 5:30 p.m. (Office Conference)

Wednesday: Chapel 8:05 a.m.
LifeLight Bible Study 9:00 a.m. (Church conference)
Building Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m. (Church conference)
Long Term Planning Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. (Church conference)

Thursday: Quilters 10:00 a.m. (Craft room)
Handbells 6:00 p.m.
Mixed Choir 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: Divine Service 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: *Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany*
Divine Service 9:30 a.m.
-Seraphim Choir Sings
Fellowship Time
Sunday Morning Bible Study 11:00 a.m.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Preacher: Rev. Dr. William L. Morris
Liturgist: Rev. Richard E. Mundt
Organist: Mr. Brian J. Heinlein
Soloist: Caleb Abraham
Acolytes: Larkin McQueen (5:00pm)
Brody Curnutt (9:30am)
Videographer: Sheila Bauer



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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“A Message from God”

February 1 & 2, 2025

†Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany †

Introit *Psalm 10:16-18; antiphon: v. 12*

Arise, O LORD; O God, lift | up your hand;*
forget not the af- | flicted.

**The LORD is king forever and | ever;*
the nations perish | from his land.**

**O LORD, you hear the desire of the af- | flicted;*
you will strength- | en their heart;**

**you will incline your ear to do justice to the fatherless and | the
oppressed,***

so that man who is of the earth may strike ter- | ror no more.

**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.

Arise, O LORD; O God, lift | up your hand;*
forget not the af- | flicted.

Collect of the Day

P Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Jeremiah 1:4-10*

“Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” “Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth.” “But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a youth’; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. “Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD.” “Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the LORD said to me, “Behold, I have put my words in your mouth. “See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

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 12:31b—13:13*

I will show you a still more excellent way.

“If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. “And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. “If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

“Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. “Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

“Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. “For we know in part and we prophesy in part, “but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. “When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. “For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

“So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Holy Gospel *Luke 4:31-44*

“³¹[Jesus] went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, “³²and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. “³³And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, “³⁴“Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” “³⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. “³⁶And they were all amazed and said to one another, “What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!” “³⁷And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

“³⁸And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon’s house. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. “³⁹And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them.

“⁴⁰Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. “⁴¹And demons also came out of many, crying, “You are the Son of God!” But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

“⁴²And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, “⁴³but he said to them, “I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose.” “⁴⁴And he was preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING 3

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

EPISTLE READING

C Thanks be to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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SERMON

Text: Luke 4:31-44

Theme: “A Message from God”

INSTALLATION (Sunday)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

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