
We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure...

Hebrews 6:19



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02/01/20 Mission Statement: To be an anchor of hope in Christ!

*We cordially welcome all who are worshiping with us this week.
May our Lord Jesus Christ grant you the will and the wisdom
to renounce the world and to live as His follower and disciple.*

Please Sign Fellowship Folder

*Located on inside end of each pew. Use one line per person.
This folder is used to record attendance and communion participation.*

VISITORS – you are invited to share your names and addresses
in our Guest Book in the entryway of the church.

COMMUNION POLICY

As an expression of our faith and fellowship as the Missouri Synod Lutherans we welcome to the Sacrament those baptized Christians who:

- confess and repent of their sins; believe in the Triune God, and in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior;
- believe that they receive Christ's true Body and Blood with the Bread and Wine for forgiveness of sins, new life and salvation;
- promise to change their sinful life with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Oneness at the altar requires oneness in doctrine, faith, and life (Acts 2:42). Therefore, "Let each person examine himself, and thus eat of the bread and drink of the cup" (1 Corinthians 11:28)

Visitors and Guests - please speak with the Pastor or a Deacon before the worship service.

Visitors and Members - please fill out a communion registration card found next to the hymnals. Please hand it to an usher or place it in the offering plate.

Visitors – please write your names and addresses in our Guest Book in the entry way of the church.

Parents – we encourage you to bring your children up with you during the communion celebration for a pastoral blessing. Remember Jesus' words: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Mark 10:14).

Divine Service, Setting One (p.151 ff) **Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

Hymns

Opening Hymn: Filled With Joy, In Grace Abounding
(*song text can be found on the following page of your bulletin*)

Sermon Hymn: 519 – In His Temple Now Behold Him

Communion Hymns:

367 – Angels from the Realms of Glory

624 – The Infant Priest Was Holy Born

809 – Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Closing Hymn: 937 – Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace

Readings

Old Testament Reading – 1 Samuel 1:21-28

Epistle Reading – Hebrews 2:14-18

Holy Gospel Reading – Luke 2:22-32

INTROIT – *Psalm 48:1–3, 8; antiphon: v. 9*

We have thought on Your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of Your temple.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God!

His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,
Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

Within her citadels

God has made Himself known as a fortress.

As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city
of our God,
which God will establish forever.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

We have thought on Your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of Your temple.

Prayer of the Day

**Almighty and ever-living God, as Your only-begotten Son was this day
presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh, grant that we
may be presented to You with pure and clean hearts; through Jesus
Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.**

Filled With Joy, In Grace Abounding

A theme hymn for the 2020 National Lutheran Schools Week based on the 2020 NLSW theme: "JOY:FULLY LUTHERAN" by Dr. Jeffrey E. Burkart

Filled with joy, in grace abounding, hope-filled and awed,
We have come with praise redounding to You, O God!
For the love You shower on us
And the peace that rests upon us,
We, in ceaseless, praying chorus thank You, O LORD!

When our lives are filled with gladness, let us give praise.
When our joys give way to sadness, help us to raise
Prayers that speak of hope-filled sureness
In Your love and perfect pureness,
LORD, lead us to full matureness in trying days.

In Your Word alone is solace whene'er we stray,
Seeking sinful pathways, lawless, from Christ the Way.
Still, the Holy Spirit sends us
Faith in Christ, who always tends us,
As, in grace, He gently bends us towards Him each day.

Where is peace, where grace, where mercy? Where shall we rest?
Where is water when we're thirsty, worn, or oppressed?
Borne in God's own Living Water,
By grace, through faith, Christ the Potter
Shapes each grace-filled son and daughter for ev'ry test.

Δ Fully joyful, ever thankful, let praises swell
As we glorify the Father and ever tell
How God's only Son, LORD Jesus,
Came to die and, rising, frees us;
Now, the Holy Spirit leads us with God to dwell.

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Weekly Calendar – Feb. 1 to 9

Saturday/1	5:00p	Holy Communion NLSW Celebration w/Refreshments
Tuesday/4	5:30p	Handbells
	6:00p	Board of Education
Wednesday/5	3:30p	Choir
	6:00p	Deacons
Thursday/6	9:00a	Quilters
	2:00p	Hilltop Worship
Saturday/8	5:00p	Worship Ladies Aid Greeting Cards Sale

Those Serving the Lord This Weekend

Officiant: Rev. J. Derek Riddle

Organist: Paula Streich

Deacons: Tyler Idalski & Andy Grulke

Acolyte: Evan Langlois

Those Sharing Their Faith With Us

Attendance: January 25: 107

Lenten Rotation for 2020

All services at 7:00pm with pre-service supper at 6:00pm

February 26 (Ash Wednesday): Faith, Hawks (Ferguson)

March 4 (Midweek 2): St. John's (Riddle)

March 11 (Midweek 3): Peace (Riddle)

March 18 (Midweek 4): Immanuel (Kilponen)

March 25 (Midweek 5): St. Michael's (Boerger)

April 1 (Midweek 6): Holy Cross (Wollberg)

In Our Prayers the Week of February 2

If you would like to add a name to this list, please share your prayer requests with either the school office or Pastor Riddle, whether in person, by phone, or by E-mail. Pastor Riddle may be reached by phone at (309) 840-0989 (voice or text) or by E-mail at pastorjdriddle@gmail.com.

Shut-ins at Medilodge

Marlin & Arlene Thomas
Geraldine Barr
Valerie Bade
Juliana Augsburg

Shut-ins Orchard Manor

Shirley Wenzel

Shut-ins Birch Lane Adult Foster Care

Ralph Kreft
Royce Grulke

Shut-in Sally's Care

Betty Rusch

Shut-in at Home

Mark Bruning

Undergoing Testing

Al Grulke

Awaiting Heart Transplant

Al Hincka (at Henry Ford)

Recovering from Surgery

Sue Wilson
Ivan Wirgau
Jackie Wirgau
Kenneth Schroeder (had surgery following a heart attack)

Recovering from Hospital Stay

Roger Hein, husband of Sharon

Service Men & Women

Alexa Quaine, Megan Quaine, Carissa Lantz
Elizabeth Wickersham, Steven Pauly, Karl Daniels II

Grieving the Loss of Loved One

Lee Bingle and Family, loss of Lee's husband, Robert Bingle
Donna Hopp and Family, loss of Donna's sister, Carlene Filipiak

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A SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Thanksgiving Mite Box collection. A total of \$448.50 has been sent to The Michigan District to support mission projects in the United States and around the world. Mission work is an on-going need so feel free to pick up another mite box and, when it is full, return it to the church. God's blessings to you as you continue to support this worthy cause.

CARD SALE CONTINUES

We have restocked our boxed Greeting Cards they will be in the narthex for sale Feb. 8th before and after church. – St. John Ladies Aid

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

As you have seen, our choir numbers have recently dwindled. If any of you are looking to give one hour a week to serve, please think and pray on it. We are all amateurs, no professionals, just people who love to sing praises to our wonderful, precious Lord. There was a thought-provoking article in the Lutheran Witness recently titled "Church Is Not a Spectator Sport." Each of us is encouraged to be involved in building up our church and our faith. We meet on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30pm and would love to have you join us!

RAFFLE TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE

Raffle tickets will be sold through February 13 at St. John Lutheran School. Tickets are \$10 each. First prize is 30% of ticket sales, Second prize is 15% and Third 5%. The drawing will be held at 3:15pm on February 14 at the school. Support from parents, church members, and community is greatly appreciated. We need people to buy tickets as well as persons to sell. Contact Monica at 766-8114 if you have questions.



“Christians are saved to serve. We are chosen and called to bear fruit for Jesus. We do this as we live in His love, not only in our home or church, but in the world, where it is often more difficult to love others. We are empowered by the love that Jesus showed us in His sacrificial death on the cross so that we would have life. Now we are blessed to live in His love, bearing much fruit for His sake. May this prayer service help us take time to reflect on His love for us, our love for Him, and how the fruit we bear is a result of living in His love.”

– Rev. Dr. Gregory S. Walton

The date has been set for the LWML Sunshine Zone Prayer Day. This event will be held at St. John Lutheran Church, 8758 Straits Hwy., Cheboygan, MI on Saturday, February 15, 2020. Registration begins at 9:30am, followed at 10:00am by a Prayer Day Service.

Wanna take your sweetie on a Valentine date, but don't know what to do with the kiddos? We can help!!

What? 8th grade babysitting fundraiser

When? Friday, February 14 from 4:30 to 9:00pm

Where? St. John Lutheran School

Cost? \$5 per hour per child



Must register by February 12 by calling the school at 734-3580. Emergency contact forms will be available to complete at drop-off. Responsible 8th grade students and high schoolers will be on site to care for your children and engage them in fun activities while you enjoy some time away!