

THE VISITOR

701 S. First Street - Milbank, SD 57252 // www.elcmilbank.org

Worship Schedule

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday 2:00 p.m.

Holy Communion 1st, 3rd, 5th
weeks and every Wednesday

Sunday School 10:15-11:15

YouTube Live Streamed on Sunday or
Watch Replay

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OUR SAVIOR'S WOUNDED BODY.... FOR US! – LENT 2026

This year during our Lent and Holy Week services we will be looking at how Jesus' wounded body brings us forgiveness, life, and salvation. In Isaiah 53:5 we are reminded, "But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed." Prophesied seven centuries before Jesus' birth, Isaiah gives God's people a snapshot of what our Savior looks like and what He will come to do for us. During Lent this year we will break down our Lord's punishment, wounds, and scars each week to see how each of those injuries sustained by Him were for us and our transgressions. We will see how Jesus lay down His HEAD for the thoughts that flow through ours. We will see how His HANDS paid for what our hands do and fail to do. We will examine how His BACK and FEET bore our burdens and carried them to the cross. We will meditate on how blood flowing from His SIDE, and His unbroken BONES brings us life. We will focus on Jesus' LIGHT and how He overcame all His WOUNDS to heal all of ours. In His body our Lord truly has "borne our griefs and carried our sorrows" (Isaiah 53:4). Join us on Wednesday evenings this Lent, as well as during Holy Week and Easter to see "Our Savior's Wounded Body.... For Us!" A blessed Lenten season to you all!

In Christ, Pastor Davis

Helping during Worship Service

| Sound Radio Broadcast | | Acolytes |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Feb. 1 | Dave Schamber | Alyssa Henderson, Alyssa Rethke |
| Feb. 8 | Larry Underwood | Bennett Schwandt, Andrew Karges |
| Feb. 15 | Tracy Pinkert | Landon Athey |
| Feb. 18 | Charles Schamber | Braden Mueller |
| Feb. 22 | Harlan Monson | Karlie Nies |
| Feb. 25 | Dave Schamber | Sydnee Weyh, Whitney Weyh |

February Special Mission Offering: Lutheran Heritage Fund



Imagine trying to understand Scripture in all its richness without the benefit of Luther's *Small Catechism*, or trying to teach young children about basic Bible stories without books like *A Child's Garden of Bible Stories*. For Lutheran churches around the world, these situations are reality. They don't have the basic books, so vital to understanding the Lutheran faith, because no one has translated them into their languages.

Through the mission gifts of people like you, LHF translates, publishes, distributes and introduces books that are Bible-based, Christ-centered and Reformation-driven.

In more than 100 countries and 180 languages, thousands of people have come to faith in Christ because they've been able to read books like *The Good News About Jesus* or Luther's *Small Catechism* in their own languages.

LHF has published the catechism in more than 150 languages with dozens more requested. In the past decade, LHF has published and distributed over 2,000 titles and 6 million Lutheran books to pastors, seminary students, missionaries and churches – all at no cost to them. Help guide unbelievers to Jesus Christ.

The Lutheran Heritage Foundation is a Registered Service Organization of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS).

Emanuel:

Please use the "Special Mission Offering" envelope or make mention on your form of payment that you wish to contribute to this mission. During our voters meeting in November 2025 we determined a giving goal for this month of \$1,000.

Thank you for your support.



The Ladies of Emanuel (LWML) invite you to join our monthly gatherings held on the **second Tuesday of every month at 1:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall.

Our meetings begin with a Bible study, typically featuring lessons from the *LWML Quarterly Magazine*. If you are short on time, you are more than welcome to join us for just the study portion of the afternoon. A brief, 30-minute meeting follows, where we share updates on zone, district, and national news, as well as local group activities.

Resources & Outreach:

- **Library:** Located in the hall, our library offers books, devotions, and Bible studies for you to borrow at any time.
- **Cards & Orders:** Christian greeting cards are available for purchase in the library, and we are happy to assist you with ordering Bibles for yourself or as gifts.
- **Mission Projects:** We collect pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and used eyeglasses for MOST Ministries in the area across from the library.
- **Altar Care:** Our group handles the monthly filling of candles and the changing of the sanctuary paraments.

Upcoming Events:

- **Sunday Coffee:** Join us for fellowship and coffee on **February 1st**, served by Joyce Kasuske, Sharon Wieber, and Karin Mueller.
- **Next Meeting:** Join us **February 10th at 1:00 p.m.** Hostesses for this meeting are Joyce Kasuske and JoEllen Heffron.

We would love to see you, everyone is welcome!

Stewardship Section:

Table of Duties: The Forgotten Stewardship Tool

Luther's Small Catechism is a magnificent tool. Joined with a well-used copy of the Holy Scriptures and an orthodox hymnal, and the Christian is well equipped to live a life of faithfulness to the Lord and service to the neighbor. First in German and now in English and just about any language known to man, this handy masterpiece has introduced generations of people to the central doctrine of justification by grace, through faith, on account of Jesus Christ. The Six Chief Parts have proven to be a faithful framework for a clear confession of the truth of the Gospel for nearly five hundred years! But more than a textbook, the Small Catechism also serves well as a handbook for Christian living. As a part of its treasure, there is an element that teaches an extraordinarily strong message of stewardship. That hidden treasure that needs to be rediscovered is called the Table of Duties.

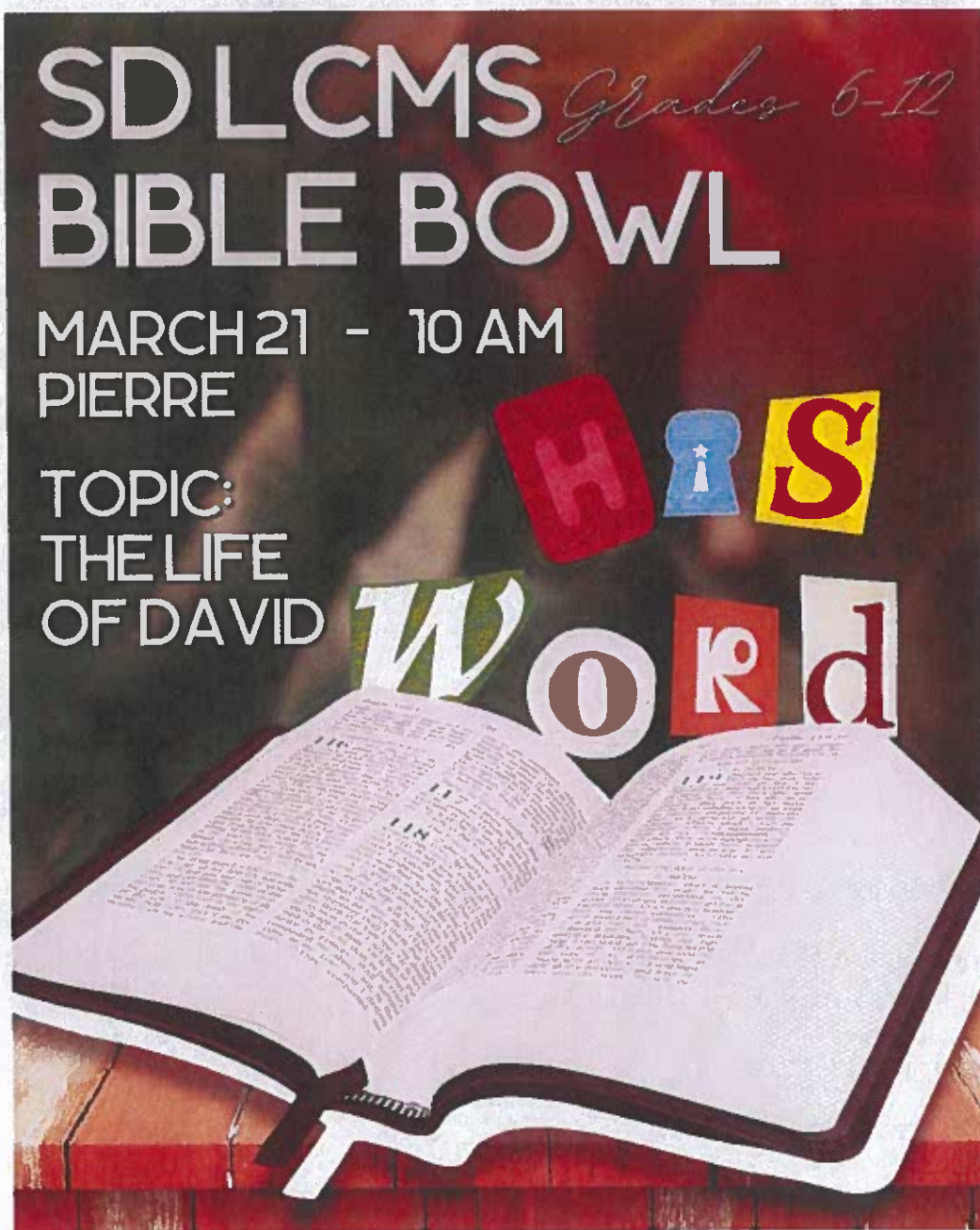
The Table of Duties is really nothing more than a categorized gathering of Bible verses. These verses are set apart for "various holy orders and positions, admonishing them about their duties and responsibilities." Addressing pastors and people, government and citizens, husbands, wives, children, youth, workers and so many more, it very clearly lays out what faithful stewardship looks like. Even better, these assembled passages teach one important truth: we are stewards of one another!

The Table is much more than a "how-to" tool; it also lays out the interconnectedness that exists within the body of Christ. Pastors are described by what they are to be as stewards of the Word. 1 Timothy 3 highlights the characteristics of a faithful pastor. Even more, Titus 1 highlights the need for the pastor to be faithful for the sake of those under his care. Those who hear the faithful preaching of the pastor are stewards of the pastor as well. 1 Corinthians 9 talks about the need for the people to support the livelihood of the pastor. Galatians 6 talks about how the hearers share in the good things that the pastor teaches. 1 Timothy 6 talks about the honor that is owed to the pastor, not because of WHO he is, but rather WHAT he is teaching! Hebrews 13 shows the impact of this stewardship on the pastor, that they perform their duties with joy. Joyful pastors and people are always going to be better stewards of the Gospel!

Outside the church this interdependent stewardship is on display as well. Romans 13 highlights the respect necessary for the governing authorities. As citizens, the faithful steward is called to pay taxes (Matthew 22), pray for their leaders (1 Timothy 2) and that they should be ready to serve in the civil realm (Titus 3), because they are in these positions by God's direction (1 Peter 2). These steward duties are in the home too! 1 Peter 3 and Colossians 3 shape the husband steward. Ephesians 5 and 1 Peter 3 shape the wife steward. Ephesians 6 form parental stewards and child stewards.

The Table of Duties is a wonderful place for the individual steward to learn how much our stewardship is more than just a "me and Jesus thing!" In fact, it ends with these words: "Let each his lesson learn with care, and all the household well share fare." This is interdependent stewardship on clear display. As each learns stewardship in this way, the more faithful we will be as a family, congregations, communities and the church at large.

– LCMS Stewardship Ministry Article – February 2026



BIBLE BOWL

The South Dakota District hosts a Bible Bowl for students in grades 6-12. The Bible Bowl's questions come from sections of the Bible and from Luther's Small Catechism and the subjects vary from year to year.

Date: March 21, 2026

Place: Pierre – Faith Lutheran Church

Subjects: Life of David (1 Samuel 16, 1 Kings 2, Psalm 51, Confession in the Luther's Small Catechism)

If you are interested, please talk to Pastor Davis, Brandy Blauert, or Dewey & Max Athey.

Emanuel Families will pay the \$150 deposit when you register. The Board of Youth will pay the balance due once we have been notified of your child's registration and deposit has been paid.



Camp Minneboji

June 21 – June 27, 2026



KIDS WHO HAVE COMPLETED GRADE 4 through 8 during the 2025-26 school year.

Register before April 1 to receive early bird discount!

CAMP MINNEBOJI – June 21-27, 2026

Registration is open for Camp Minneboji! Kids who have completed Grades 4-8 in 2025-26.

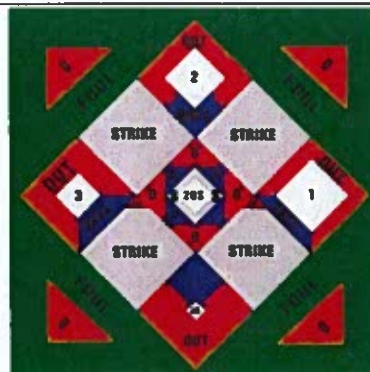
Information packets are available on the communication shelf. If you have questions, please contact Brandy in the office. <https://sddlcms.org/>

Youth Group – February 22, 2026

We will meet for a devotion, lunch, and dartball!

Meet in the basement after Sunday school.

Let's get ready to play ball!!!





As I write this update for Emanuel members from the volunteers at Milbank Orphan Grain Train (OGT) Collection Center, the words from 1 John 4:11 are appropriate, "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."

At our building we see so many "gifts." Church bodies, church groups (many LWML groups 😊), families and individuals sharing material gifts as well as monetary. We thank ALL, and to be honest, need MANY to continue to aide those in need.

Hey Emanuel members!!! Let's get some Mercy Meal packing parties going – come volunteer to help on the sorting and picking side. This is where kits are put together. We are adaptable to times. This is the 21st year of OGT in Milbank. We need Emanuel's loving members support to keep it going for another 20 years. The volunteers want to thank you for your assistant, guidance and prayers. "The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy." (Psalm 126:3) - Linnea Schwandt

Join us for Movie
Night February 21,
2026 at 6:00 p.m.
The movie this
month will be
"Courageous Legacy"

See you there!



2025–2026 Church Year Calendar

Three-Year Series A

Nov. 30, 2025—Nov. 26, 2026

| Season | Date | Festival | First Reading | Psalms | Epistle | Gospel |
|----------------|-----------------|--|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ADVENT 2025 | Nov. 30 2025 | First S. in Advent | Isaiah 2:1–5 | Psalms 122 | Rom. 13:(8–10) 11–14 | Matt. 21:1–11 or Matt. 24:36–44 |
| | Dec. 7 | Second S. in Advent | Isaiah 11:1–10 | Psalms 72:1–7 | Rom. 15:4–13 | Matt. 3:1–12 |
| | Dec. 14 | Third S. in Advent | Isaiah 35:1–10 | Psalms 146 | James 5:7–11 | Matt. 11:2–15 |
| | Dec. 21 | Fourth S. in Advent | Isaiah 7:10–17 | Psalms 24 | Rom. 1:1–7 | Matt. 1:18–25 |
| | Dec. 24 | The Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas Eve) | Isaiah 7:10–14 | Psalms 110:1–4 | 1 John 4:7–16 | Matt. 1:18–25 |
| CHRISTMAS 2025 | Dec. 25 | The Nativity of Our Lord (Midnight) | Isaiah 9:2–7 | Psalms 96 | Titus 2:11–14 | Luke 2:1–14 (15–20) |
| | | The Nativity of Our Lord (Dawn) | Isaiah 62:10–12 | Psalms 98 | Titus 3:4–7 | Luke 2:(1–14) 15–20 |
| | | The Nativity of Our Lord (Day) | Isaiah 52:7–10 | Psalms 2 | Heb. 1:1–6 (7–12) | John 1:1–14 (15–18) |
| | Dec. 28 | The Holy Innocents | Jer. 31:15–17 | Psalms 54 | Rev. 14:1–5 | Matt. 2:13–18 |
| | or | First S. after Christmas | Isaiah 63:7–14 | Psalms 111 | Gal. 4:4–7 | Matt. 2:13–23 |
| | Dec. 31 | Eve of the Circ. and Name of Jesus (New Year's Eve) | Isaiah 30:(8–14) 15–17 | Psalms 90:1–12 | Rom. 8:31b–39 | Luke 12:35–40 |
| A.D. 2026 | Jan. 1 | Circumcision and Name of Jesus (New Year's Day) | Num. 6:22–27 | Psalms 8 | Gal. 3:23–29 | Luke 2:21 |
| | Jan. 4 | Second S. after Christmas | 1 Kings 3:4–15 | Psalms 119:97–104 | Eph. 1:3–14 | Luke 2:40–52 |
| EPIPHANY | Jan. 6 | The Epiphany of Our Lord | Isaiah 60:1–6 | Psalms 72:1–11 (12–15) | Eph. 3:1–12 | Matt. 2:1–12 |
| | Jan. 11 | The Baptism of Our Lord | Isaiah 42:1–9 | Psalms 29 | Rom. 6:1–11 | Matt. 3:13–17 |
| | Jan. 18 | Second S. after the Epiphany | Isaiah 49:1–7 | Psalms 40:1–11 | 1 Cor. 1:1–9 | John 1:29–42a |
| | or | The Confession of St. Peter | Acts 4:8–13 | Psalms 118:19–29 | 2 Peter 1:1–15 | Mark 8:27–35 (36–9:1) |
| | Jan. 25 | Third S. after the Epiphany | Isaiah 9:1–4 | Psalms 27:1–9 (10–14) | 1 Cor. 1:10–18 | Matt. 4:12–25 |
| | or | The Conversion of St. Paul | Acts 9:1–22 | Psalms 67 | Gal. 1:11–24 | Matt. 19:27–30 |
| | Feb. 1 | Fourth S. after the Epiphany | Micah 6:1–8 | Psalms 15 | 1 Cor. 1:18–31 | Matt. 5:1–12 |
| | Feb. 8 | Fifth S. after the Epiphany | Isaiah 58:3–9a | Psalms 112:1–9 | 1 Cor. 2:1–12 (13–16) | Matt. 5:13–20 |
| | Feb. 15 | The Transfiguration of Our Lord | Ex. 24:8–18 | Psalms 2:6–12 | 2 Peter 1:16–21 | Matt. 17:1–9 |

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| ASH WEDNESDAY | Feb. 18 | Ash Wednesday | Joel 2:12–19 | Psalm 51:1–13 (14–19) | 2 Cor. 5:20b– 6:10 | Matt. 6:1–6, 16–21 |
| LENT | Feb. 22 | First S. in Lent | Gen. 3:1–21 | Psalm 32:1–7 | Rom. 5:12–19 | Matt. 4:1–11 |
| | March 1 | Second S. in Lent | Gen. 12:1–9 | Psalm 121 | Rom. 4:1–8, 13– 17 | John 3:1–17 |
| | March 8 | Third S. in Lent | Ex. 17:1–7 | Psalm 95:1–9 | Rom. 5:1–8 | John 4:5–26 (27–30, 39–42) |
| | March 15 | Fourth S. in Lent | Isaiah 42:14– 21 | Psalm 142 | Eph. 5:8–14 | John 9:1–41 or John 9:1–7, 13–17, 34–39 |
| | March 22 | Fifth S. in Lent | Ezek. 37:1–14 | Psalm 130 | Rom. 8:1–11 | John 11:1–45 (46–53) or John 11:17– 27, 38–53 |
| HOLY WEEK | March 29 | Palm Sunday (Palmarum) | Isaiah 50:4–9a | Psalm 118:19– 29 or Psalm 31:9–16 | Phil. 2:5–11 | John 12:12–19 procession ----- Matt. 26:1– 27:66 or Matt. 27:11–66 or John 12:20–43 |
| | April 2 | Holy (Maundy) Thursday | Ex. 24:3–11 | Psalm 116:12– 19 | Heb. 9:11–22 | Matt. 26:17– 30 |
| | April 3 | Good Friday | Isaiah 52:13– 53:12 | Psalm 22 or Psalm 31 | Heb. 4:14–16; 5:7–9 | John 18:1– 19:42 or John 19:17–30 |
| EASTER | April 5 | The Resurrection of Our Lord (Sunrise) | Ex. 14:10–15:1 | Psalm 118:15– 29 or The Song of Moses and Israel | 1 Cor. 15:1–11 | John 20:1–18 |
| | | The Resurrection of Our Lord | Acts 10:34–43 or Jer. 31:1–6 | Psalm 16 | Col. 3:1–4 | Matt. 28:1–10 |
| | April 12 | Second S. of Easter | Acts 5:29–42 | Psalm 148 | 1 Peter 1:3–9 | John 20:19–31 |
| | April 19 | Third S. of Easter | Acts 2:14a, 36– 41 | Psalm 116:1– 14 | 1 Peter 1:17–25 | Luke 24:13–35 |
| | April 26 | Fourth S. of Easter | Acts 2:42–47 | Psalm 23 | 1 Peter 2:19–25 | John 10:1–10 |
| | May 3 | Fifth S. of Easter | Acts 6:1–9; 7:2a, 51–60 | Psalm 146 | 1 Peter 2:2–10 | John 14:1–14 |
| | May 10 | Sixth S. of Easter | Acts 17:16–31 | Psalm 66:8–20 | 1 Peter 3:13–22 | John 14:15–21 |
| | May 14 | The Ascension of Our Lord | Acts 1:1–11 | Psalm 47 | Eph. 1:15–23 | Luke 24:44–53 |
| | May 17 | Seventh S. of Easter | Acts 1:12–26 | Psalm 68:1–10 | 1 Peter 4:12– 19; 5:6–11 | John 17:1–11 |
| PENTECOST | May 24 | The Day of Pentecost | Num. 11:24–30 | Psalm 25:1–15 | Acts 2:1–21 | John 7:37–39 |
| TRINITY | May 31 | The Holy Trinity | Gen. 1:1–2:4a | Psalm 8 | Acts 2:14a, 22– 36 | Matt. 28:16– 20 |
| | June 7 (Prop. 5) | Second S. after Pentecost | Hosea 5:15–6:6 | Psalm 119:65– 72 | Rom. 4:13–25 | Matt. 9:9–13 |
| | June 14 (Prop. 6) | Third S. after Pentecost | Ex. 19:2–8 | Psalm 100 | Rom. 5:6–15 | Matt. 9:35– 10:8 (9–20) |
| | June 21 (Prop. 7) | Fourth S. after Pentecost | Jer. 20:7–13 | Psalm 91:1–10 (11–16) | Rom. 6:12–23 | Matt. 10:5a, 21–33 |
| | June 28 (Prop. 8) | Fifth S. after Pentecost | Jer. 28:5–9 | Psalm 119:153–160 | Rom. 7:1–13 | Matt. 10:34– 42 |
| | July 5 (Prop. 9) | Sixth S. after Pentecost | Zech. 9:9–12 | Psalm 145:1– 14 | Rom. 7:14–25a | Matt. 11:25– 30 |

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| | July 12 (Prop. 10) | Seventh S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 55:10– 13 | Psalms 65:(1–8) 9–13 | Rom. 8:12–17 | Matt. 13:1–9, 18–23 |
| | July 19 (Prop. 11) | Eighth S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 44:6–8 | Psalms 119:57– 64 | Rom. 8:18–27 | Matt. 13:24– 30, 36–43 |
| | July 26 (Prop. 12) | Ninth S. after Pentecost | Deut. 7:6–9 | Psalms 125 | Rom. 8:28–39 | Matt. 13:44– 52 |
| | Aug. 2 (Prop. 13) | Tenth S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 55:1–5 | Psalms 136:1–9 (23–26) | Rom. 9:1–5 (6– 13) | Matt. 14:13– 21 |
| | Aug. 9 (Prop. 14) | Eleventh S. after Pentecost | Job 38:4–18 | Psalms 18:1–6 (7–16) | Rom. 10:5–17 | Matt. 14:22– 33 |
| | Aug. 16 (Prop. 15) | Twelfth S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 56:1, 6–8 | Psalms 67 | Rom. 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32 | Matt. 15:21– 28 |
| | Aug. 23 (Prop. 16) | Thirteenth S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 51:1–6 | Psalms 138 | Rom. 11:33– 12:8 | Matt. 16:13– 20 |
| | Aug. 30 (Prop. 17) | Fourteenth S. after Pentecost | Jer. 15:15–21 | Psalms 26 | Rom. 12:9–21 | Matt. 16:21– 28 |
| | Sept. 6 (Prop. 18) | Fifteenth S. after Pentecost | Ezek. 33:7–9 | Psalms 32:1–7 | Rom. 13:1–10 | Matt. 18:1–20 |
| | Sept. 13 (Prop. 19) | Sixteenth S. after Pentecost | Gen. 50:15–21 | Psalms 103:1– 12 | Rom. 14:1–12 | Matt. 18:21– 35 |
| | Sept. 20 (Prop. 20) | Seventeenth S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 55:6–9 | Psalms 27:1–9 | Phil. 1:12–14, 19–30 | Matt. 20:1–16 |
| | Sept. 27 (Prop. 21) | Eighteenth S. after Pentecost | Ezek. 18:1–4, 25–32 | Psalms 25:1–10 | Phil. 2:1–4 (5– 13) 14–18 | Matt. 21:23– 27 (28–32) |
| | Sept. 29 | St. Michael and All Angels | Daniel 10:10– 14; 12:1–3 | Psalms 91 | Rev. 12:7–12 | Matt. 18:1–11 or Luke 10:17– 20 |
| | Oct. 4 (Prop. 22) | Nineteenth S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 5:1–7 | Psalms 80:7–19 | Phil. 3:4b–14 | Matt. 21:33– 46 |
| | Oct. 11 (Prop. 23) | Twentieth S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 25:6–9 | Psalms 23 | Phil. 4:4–13 | Matt. 22:1–14 |
| | Oct. 18 (Prop. 24) | Twenty-first S. after Pentecost | Isaiah 45:1–7 | Psalms 96:1–9 (10–13) | 1 Thess. 1:1–10 | Matt. 22:15– 22 |
| | or | St. Luke | Isaiah 35:5–8 | Psalms 147:1– 11 | 2 Tim. 4:5–18 | Luke 10:1–9 |
| REFORMATION | Oct. 25 (Observed) | Reformation Day (Oct. 31) | Rev. 14:6–7 | Psalms 46 | Rom. 8:19–28 | Matt. 11:12– 19 or John 8:31–36 |
| | or (Prop. 25) | Twenty-second S. after Pentecost | Lev. 19:1–2, 15–18 | Psalms 1 | 1 Thess. 2:1–13 | Matt. 22:34– 46 |
| ALL SAINTS' DAY | Nov. 1 | All Saints' Day | Rev. 7:(2–8) 9–17 | Psalms 149 | 1 John 3:1–3 | Matt. 5:1–12 |
| | Nov. 8 (Prop. 27) | Twenty-fourth S. after Pentecost | Amos 5:18–24 | Psalms 70 | 1 Thess. 4:13– 18 | Matt. 25:1–13 |
| | Nov. 15 (Prop. 28) | Twenty-fifth S. after Pentecost | Zeph. 1:7–16 | Psalms 90:1–12 | 1 Thess. 5:1–11 | Matt. 25:14– 30 |
| | Nov. 22 (Prop. 29) | Last S. of the Church Year | Ezek. 34:11– 16, 20–24 | Psalms 95:1–7a | 1 Cor. 15:20–28 | Matt. 25:31– 46 |
| THANKSGIVING | Nov. 26 | Thanksgiving Day | Deut. 8:1–10 | Psalms 67 | Phil. 4:6–20 or 1 Tim. 2:1–4 | Luke 17:11–19 |
| New Church Year Starts Here (2026–2027) — Series B | | | | | | |
| ADVENT 2026 | Nov. 29 2026 | First S. in Advent | Isaiah 64:1–9 | Psalms 80:1–7 | 1 Cor. 1:3–9 | Mark 11:1–10 or Mark 13:24–37 |
| | Dec. 6 | Second S. in Advent | Isaiah 40:1–11 | Psalms 85 | 2 Peter 3:8–14 | Mark 1:1–8 |

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| | Dec. 13 | Third S. In Advent | Isaiah 61:1–4, 8–11 | Psalms 126 | 1 Thess. 5:16– 24 | John 1:6–8, 19–28 |
| | Dec. 20 | Fourth S. In Advent | 2 Sam. 7:1–11, 16 | Psalms 89:1–5 (19–29) | Rom. 16:25–27 | Luke 1:26–38 |
| | Dec. 24 | The Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas Eve) | Isaiah 7:10–14 | Psalms 110:1–4 | 1 John 4:7–16 | Matt. 1:18–25 |
| CHRISTMAS 2026 | Dec. 25 | The Nativity of Our Lord (Midnight) | Isaiah 9:2–7 | Psalms 96 | Titus 2:11–14 | Luke 2:1–14 (15–20) |
| | | The Nativity of Our Lord (Dawn) | Isaiah 62:10– 12 | Psalms 98 | Titus 3:4–7 | Luke 2:(1–14) 15–20 |
| | | The Nativity of Our Lord (Day) | Isaiah 52:7–10 | Psalms 2 | Heb. 1:1–6 (7– 12) | John 1:1–14 (15–18) |
| | Dec. 27 | First S. after Christmas | Isaiah 61:10– 62:3 | Psalms 111 | Gal. 4:4–7 | Luke 2:22–40 |
| | or | St. John | Rev. 1:1–6 | Psalms 11 | 1 John 1:1–2:2 | John 21:20–25 |
| | Dec. 31 | Eve of the Circ. and Name of Jesus (New Year's Eve) | Isaiah 30:(8– 14) 15–17 | Psalms 90:1–12 | Rom. 8:31b–39 | Luke 12:35–40 |

| Birthday Wishes - February | Day |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Ackerman, Brittany M. | 18-Feb |
| Ackerman, Jason J. | 24-Feb |
| Beyer, Kent H. | 10-Feb |
| Bordt, August | 12-Feb |
| Fischer, Trystan L. | 2-Feb |
| Fraasch, Jaylynn B. | 16-Feb |
| Keller, Madison L. | 6-Feb |
| Krause, Jason L. | 7-Feb |
| Larson, Evan D. | 22-Feb |
| Meister, Ronald J. (Ron) | 6-Feb |
| Mertens, Darlene G. | 25-Feb |
| Mueller, Darcille A. (Dusty) | 23-Feb |
| Mueller, Melissa | 26-Feb |
| Poel, Donna | 24-Feb |
| Purcell, Liam | 7-Feb |
| Reil, Christopher W. | 26-Feb |
| Rudebusch, David | 2-Feb |
| Saeger, DeLoris M. (Mae) | 8-Feb |
| Schell, Blaine E. | 19-Feb |
| Schell, Olivia C. | 10-Feb |
| Schwandt, Louis R. | 22-Feb |
| Seehafer, Suzanne R. | 2-Feb |
| Selchert, Walter L. | 25-Feb |
| Selken, Annie R. | 21-Feb |
| Smith, Sandra | 16-Feb |
| Street, Geoff | 9-Feb |
| Tietjen, Donna | 22-Feb |
| Tietjen, Jasmine R. | 25-Feb |
| Trapp, Deborah D. (Debbie) | 23-Feb |
| Weinkauf, Dominic J. | 17-Feb |
| Weinkauf, Stacey M. | 19-Feb |
| Wojahn, Reece J. | 19-Feb |
| Zubke, Christopher R. | 5-Feb |
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| Anniversary Wishes - February | Day |
| Adelman, Crystal J. and Mark | 26-Feb |
| Harms, Gary and Audrey | 10-Feb |

February Special Offering
Mission of the Month:
Lutheran Heritage Fund

February 2026

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 9am Service of the Word w/ Holy Communion 10:15—11:15 Sunday School (PreK-HS) 10:30 Fellowship fol- lowed by Bible Study 3pm DartBall 6pm Bible Study-Couples | 2 6pm Cub Scouts 7pm Elders Mtg | 3 | 4 9am Mercy Meal Packing at OGT Bldg PreK Chapel Service 2pm Worship w/ Holy- Comm. 3:30-5:00 Confirmation 5:30 Bells 6:30 Choir 8pm AA Meeting | 5 9am Mission Sewing 11am Communion at St. Williams 1pm Bible Study | 6 | 7 8:30am Couples Retreat (Abbey of the Hills) |
| 8 9am Service of the Word 10 Usher Training 10:15—11:15 Sunday School 10:30 Fellowship fol- lowed by Bible Study 2pm Cub Scouts 3pm DartBall 6pm Bible Study-Couples | 9 | 10 1:00 LOE(LWML) 5:30 Youth Board 6:00 Evangelism 6:00 Stewardship 6:30 Board of Ed. 7:00 Church Council | 11 7am High School Breakfast PreK Chapel Service 2pm Worship w/ Holy- Comm. 3:30-5:00 Confirmation 5:30 Bells 6:30 Choir 8pm AA Meeting | 12 1pm Bible Study | 13 | 14 9am Bible Study— Men's Group |
| 15 9am Service of the Word w/ Holy Communion 10:15—11:15 Sunday School (PreK-HS) 10:30 Fellowship fol- lowed by Bible Study 3pm DartBall 6pm Bible Study-Couples | 16 6pm Cub Scouts | 17 | 18 Ash Wednesday PreK Chapel Service 2pm Worship w/ Holy- Comm. 5pm Supper 7pm Ash Wed. Service 5:30 Bells 6:10 Choir 8pm AA Meeting | 19 1pm Bible Study | 20 <i>Newsletter Arti- cles Due.</i> | 21 6pm Movie Night Fel- lowship Hall "Courageous Legacy" |
| 22 9am Service of the Word w/ Holy Communion 10:15—11:15 Sunday School (PreK-HS) 10:30 Fellowship fol- lowed by Bible Study Noon— DartBall with Youth Group 6pm Bible Study-Couples | 23 | 24 | 25 PreK Chapel Service 2pm Worship w/ Holy- Comm. 5pm Supper 7pm Lenten Service 5:30 Bells 6:10 Choir 8pm AA Meeting | 26 1pm Bible Study | 27 | 28 |

