

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Chris Tvrdik
Genna Curtis

Blessings/Guidance

Concordia University
Paul & Kristin Humber

Shut ins

Corene Diedrich

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, February 17

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/Communion
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Traditional Worship w/Communion
Noon Eritrean Worship

MONDAY, February 18

TUESDAY, February 19

WEDNESDAY, February 20

6:00 P.M. Confirmation

THURSDAY, February 21

12:30 P.M. F.I.F. (Friends in Fellowship)

FRIDAY, February 22

SATURDAY, February 23

SUNDAY, February 24

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship

VOTERS MEETING

Noon Eritrean Worship

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church

Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

February 17, 2019

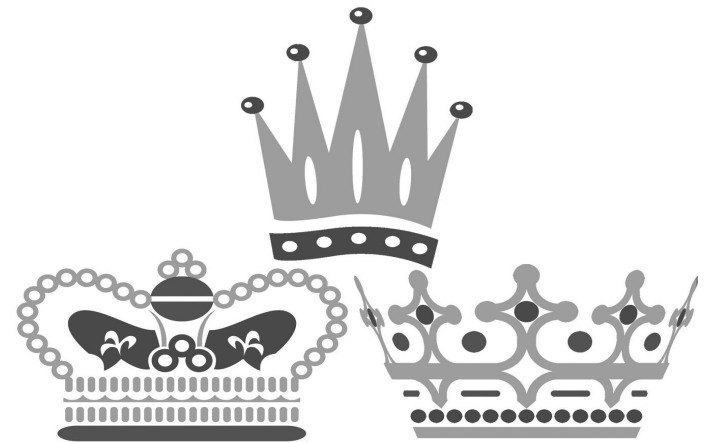
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

CELEBRATING



Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

Feb. 17: Nolan Rask
Feb. 18: Akbar Muhammad, *Martin Luther, Dr. & Confessor*
Feb. 19:
Feb. 20: Nancy Sontag
Feb. 21:
Feb. 22:
Feb. 23: *Polycarp of Smyrna, Pastor & Martyr*
Feb. 24: Jackie Preuss



February contact person: Janine Langemo

Alandra Banaei, Roger & Nancy Binning, Wendy Curtis, Ronald Hoelscher, Kyle Munoz, Shelly Novotny, Jay & Sheila Schlechte, Jackie & Gerald Spiess, Cindy Westphall, Josh Yernberg

Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

Prayers:

You are invited to fill out a prayer card located in the pew. Pastor will gather these cards before the prayers of the church. Please print your prayer requests.

Sunday Services:

Traditional Worship 8:00 A.M.
Education Hour 9:15 AM
Contemporary Worship 10:30 A.M.
Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.
Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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Admasu Mekonen

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday 9 AM to 1 PM
Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed.

February 17 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Elizabeth & Micah Thompson
(10:30) Emma Pagel & Sydney Sistad
Caretaker: (8:00) Russ Van Dassor (10:30) Admasu Mekonen
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) John Schonebaum, Leah & Russ Van Dassor
(10:30) Todd Mohrland, Akbar Muhammad, Tricia Schmidt
Elder: (8:00) Keith Rennerfeldt (10:30) Redazgi Habtezgi
Greeters: (8:00) Corine Goodrich & Sheila Schlechte
(10:30) Tarrie Culbert & Candy Pagel
Lector: (8:00) Shelly Novotny (10:30) Katie Miller
Music: Organist: Bruce Anderson Cantor: John Schonebaum
Soundboard: (8:00) Scott Goodrich (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) Jan & Ron Brubak, Philip Preuss
(10:30) Emmet Heck, Noah Miller, Dale Trapp, Admasu Mekonen



Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Last Week's Contributions:

February 10 8:00 (109) 10:30 (152)

Current - \$5,644.00
Concordia - \$5.00
Special Thanks - \$5.00
Missions - \$5.00
Christian Education - \$30.00
Total - \$5,700.57 (**\$7,200 needed weekly**)

February 24 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Christopher Schonebaum
(10:30) Oliver Bauch & Eva Gundermann
Caretaker: (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) Judy Brinkman
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) (10:30)
Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan (10:30) Redazgi Habtezgi
Greeters: (8:00) B.J. Brown & Candy Pagel
(10:30) Judy Brinkman & Dale Trapp
Lector: (8:00) Terianne Bender (10:30) Katie Miller
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson (10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Keith Rennerfeldt (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) B.J. Brown, Roger Binning, Collin Hanan, Philip Preuss
(10:30) Tesfaya Maskalo, Noah Miller, Steve Sohn, Dale Trapp

Jonathan House Ministry

Shelter, Hope, and Healing for Asylum Seekers

Through generous prayers, donations, and support, the Lord has built a house where individuals fleeing from trauma and forced displacement may find rest as they rebuild their lives.

Tuesday evening was a time of celebration and prayer as Jonathan House was committed to God as a place to provide shelter, warmth and community for Asylum seekers.

Jonathan House now has a resident in the Blair House!

We have opportunities for female volunteers:

English conversation: A volunteer to help provide supplemental English language practice through in-home/community activities.

Companionship: To visit the resident during the morning/afternoon about once a week so she's not feeling isolated, particularly before other residents come to the house. She said she loves cooking and crocheting. These could be activities she and a volunteer do together.

Community/Transit Orientation: The resident expressed a desire to learn how to read traffic signs, lights, etc. and get oriented to metro transit nearby so she can be more self-sufficient. A volunteer could help with this.

Jonathan House staff will facilitate the introduction of the volunteer with the resident. For more information or to volunteer contact Cherie Fleischhacker 651-348-9051 or ckfle1@yahoo.com

You are invited to join a one-hour webinar on Feb. 20 at Noon or 6 P.M. and have a conversation with IAFR staff working with asylum seekers in Minnesota. A webinar is a seminar conducted over the internet on your computer. Bring your questions and be ready to learn!

Sarah Miller, US Regional Leader, will cover the basics of the asylum process in the USA. Then we'll hear from Sarah and other local staff members about the challenges and opportunities of their growing Jonathan House shelter ministry.

For more information and to register go to the St. Stephanus Face Book post or contact Cherie Fleischhacker 651-348-9051 or ckfle1@yahoo.com

To stay up to date on everything that is happening with this ministry you can: check the website at <https://iafr.org/11-projects/39-jonathan-house> like them on Facebook Jonathan House IAFR, or email with any questions at jonathanhouse@iafr.org

Bible Study: will meet in the Fireside room.

Voters meeting, Feb. 24th after the late service and lunch will be provided.



Girolamo Frescobaldi (1583-1643) was an Italian musician, recognized as one of the most important composers of keyboard music in the late Renaissance and early Baroque periods. In one of his books of toccatas written in a flamboyant style, where he makes use of harmonies considered daring for the time, Frescobaldi labeled an extra-challenging piece "Not without toil will you get to the end."

Among Frescobaldi's pupils were Johann Jakob Froberger and Johann Pachelbel, though whom Frescobaldi influenced J.S. Bach. Frescobaldi wrote several canzonas - a form which showed variations on a base theme. One of these settings will serve as our prelude today.

J.S. Bach (1685-1750) composed the cantata *Aus der Tiefen rufe ich, Herr, zu dir* (Out of the depths I call, Lord, to you) in 1707 or 1708. This cantata, based on Psalm 130, is possibly Bach's first surviving cantata. The last movement was transcribed for organ possibly by Bach himself, but this authorship has been questioned. The key of G minor, in which this piece is set, is often associated with sadness, fitting the penitential psalm theme, and is used extensively in the cantata. This transcription serves as our postlude today.

~The Organ Bench~

FIF (FRIENDS IN FELLOWSHIP) will meet at St. Stephanus for a social gathering to play cards, cribbage, or dominoes one week earlier, Thursday, February 21, at 12:30-2:30. Those who have made reservations for February 28 to see the Egyptian exhibit will meet at St. Stephanus at 12:30 to ride together to MIA.



#LWMLMiteChallenge: \$5.00 Membership Challenge to Bring us to the Mission Goal of 2,075,000! If all LWML donate just \$5.00 between now and the end of March it will bring us over the finish line. You may put your \$5.00 in the MITE box as you exit, or checks made out to St. Stephanus Women's Ministry with "LWML challenge" in the memo line.