

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Nuechterlein Family
Chris Tvrdik
Genna Curtis

Blessings/Guidance

Concordia University
Paul & Kristin Humber
St. Stephanus Staff

Shut ins

Corene Diedrich

The Week Ahead

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

MONDAY, February 25

TUESDAY, February 26

WEDNESDAY, February 27

6:00 P.M. Confirmation
7:00 P.M. Jonathan House Prayer

THURSDAY, February 28

7:00 P.M. Men's Club meet

FRIDAY, March 1

SATURDAY, March 2

SUNDAY, March 3

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

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

Feb. 24: Jackie Preuss, *St. Matthias, Apostle*
Feb. 25: Lydia Bekele
Feb. 26: Sara Yernberg
Feb. 27: Breanna Rose, Haikel Amare
Feb. 28: Rich Carter, Riley Bauch
March 1: Amy Sura, Candace Pagel, Lois Thur
March 2:
March 3: Roger Binning

CELEBRATING



March contact person: Lu Clemmensen

Lu Clemmensen, Elizabeth Asefa, Dan Baker, Senait Berhe, Mary & Ronald Bisping, Matt & Jennifer Caquelin, Matt & Tiffany Hanan, Arnold Johnson & Eileen Vierow, Doug Johnson, Chou Kue, Amarti Maskalo

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany



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:

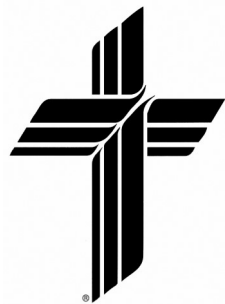
Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only 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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OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday 9 AM to 1 PM
Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed.

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



Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Last Week's Contributions:

February 17 8:00 (75) 10:30 (93)

Current - \$5,456.86	Missions - \$10.00
Endowment - \$25.00	20x5 - \$5.00
Special Thanks - \$100.00	Jonathan House - \$250.00
Sunday School - \$6.00	Total - \$5,852.86 (\$7,200 needed weekly)

March 3 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Ana & Micah Thompson
(10:30) Savannah & Sebastian Caquelin
Caretaker: (8:00) Joan Baker (10:30) Rich Culbert
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) Matt Hanan, Megan Huff, Leah Van Dassar
(10:30) Redazgi Habtezgi, Erica Moore, Dale Trapp
Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan (10:30) Ron Brubak
Greeters: (8:00) Erin Baker & Marie Benson
(10:30) Tarrie Culbert & Dale Trapp
Lector: (8:00) Lois Thur (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) Collin Hanan, Philip Preuss, Reba & Walt Peterson
(10:30) Noah Miller, Jon, Rich, Tarrie Culbert

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.

St. Stephanus has opportunities to partner with this ministry.

Opportunity for Prayer:

Please pray that Jonathan House residents encounter safety in the house and neighborhood, that residents are able to sleep peacefully, uninterrupted by anxiety or nightmares.

We have opportunities for female volunteers:

(One on one interaction with residents requires that the volunteer is the same gender as the resident. Blair house residents are female)

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 ckfleis@yahoo.com

Jonathan House is thankful for friends who gathered on Saturday morning for a housewarming celebration that included blessings of gifts for the house, exchange of information with staff and volunteers and an excellent meal. Thank you to all who made this time of fellowship possible.

If you missed the celebration and would still like to donate to the household needs of Jonathan House, please check the bulletin board in the Fireside Room for a list of supplies or contact Cherie Fleischhacker at 651-348-9051 or ckfleis@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, TODAY after the late service and lunch will be provided.



"My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker", today's Hymn of the Day (8:00), is a paraphrase of Psalm 103 which will serve as our opening litany. The tune, "Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren" which was adapted from the song "Weiss mir ein Blumen blaue" (tr: "I know a little blue flower") has been adapted to several hymns, including two found in our hymnal today. Today's voluntaries will exhibit three settings based on this tune. Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707) composed a fantasia and three preludes based on the hymn tune; the fantasia serves as our prelude music today. A harmonization by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) will be played during the offering, and a chorale prelude by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748) with the *cantus firmus* ("fixed song", or melody) in the pedal line serves as the postlude.
~The Organ Bench~

Important dates: March 6 is Ash Wed. We will begin our Wednesday night worship at 6:30 P.M. (March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10)
March 10 Time change (Spring forward)
April 14 Palm Sunday
April 18 Maundy Thursday
April 19 Good Friday
April 21 Easter Sunday



#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.