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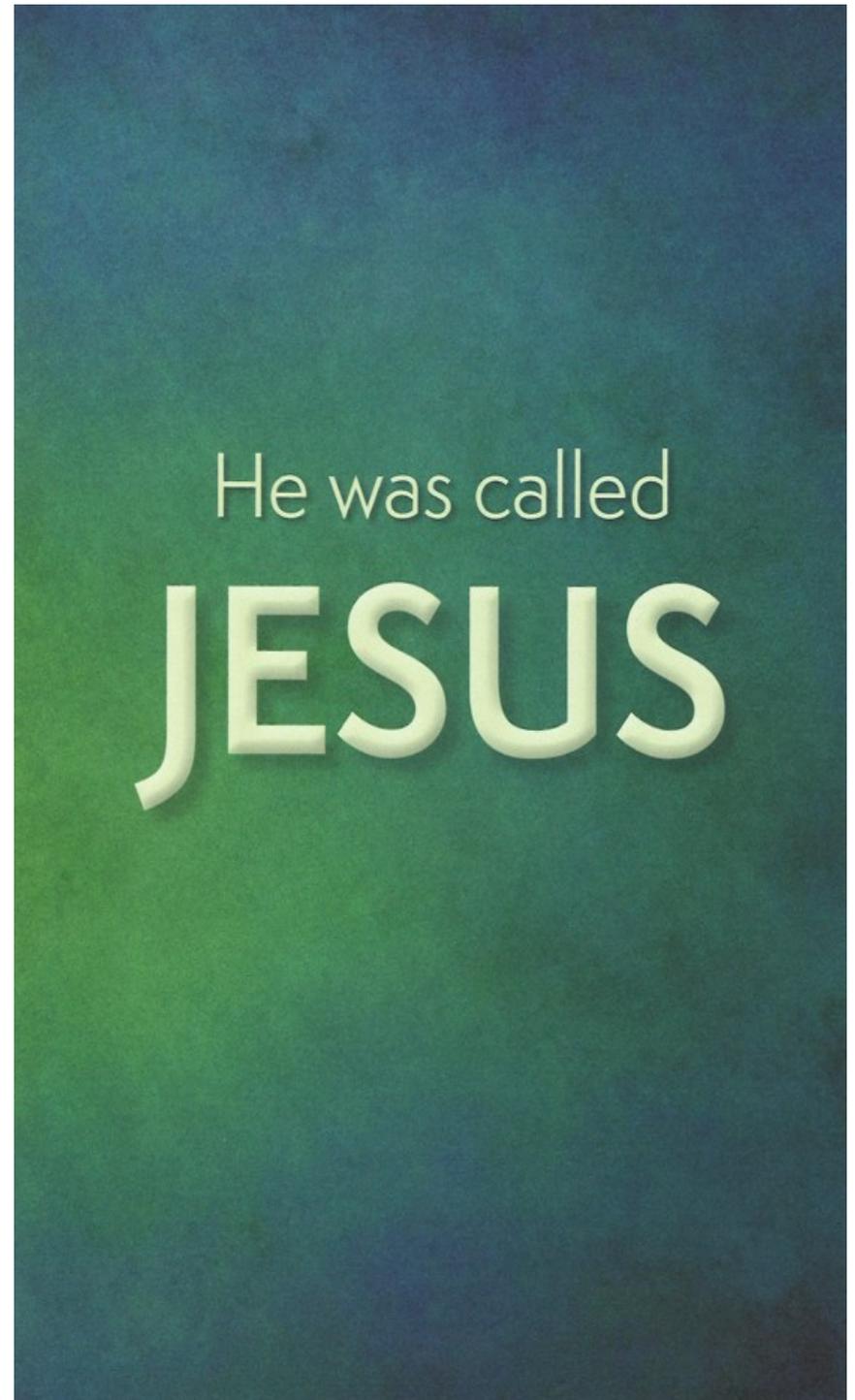
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**Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week :** Ronnie Beckius, Keith Petersen, Emily Anderson, Matt Larson, Mason Bliesmer, Norma Brolsma, Ethan Harris, Evan Roben, Melissa Cutler, Chris Kahler, Westen Eggstein, Jersey Anderson, Don Hoffmeyer, Jenny Hall, Michele Evans, Trisha Striemer, Elayna Hansen

**Members Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week:** Shane & Lori Hargrove

**Baptism:** We welcome Sawyer Arven Behrens as a member of St. John's through Holy Baptism. Sawyer was born on November 21. He was baptized at St. John's on December 30. Parents are Nicole & Behrens. Sponsors for Sawyer are Barry & Stephanie Kneeland and Chris & Cassie Olsen.



# First Sunday After Christmas

St. John's Lutheran Church—Sherburn, MN  
January 1, 2023 9:00 am

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**Welcome:** We are happy that you have joined us for worship. May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill your life with the lively hope and lasting joy. Please take time to sign the worship attendance cards and place them in the offering plate or hand them to an usher.

**Sunday School/Bible Class** will not meet today.

**Confirmation & FFF for 7th & 8th Grade** will be at 3:45 on Wednesday. After class at 5:00 it will be Food.Fun.Faith for the Jr. High.

**Installation of Officers & Board Members** for the 2023 year will be held at both services next Sunday, January 8.

**President:** Ryan Baker

**Vice President:** Doug Rosenberg

**Secretary:** Gilbert Trontvet

**Elders:** Brian Krumwiede, Ryan Kahler, Brad Ringnell, Jamie Williamson, Guy Rudolph, Dennis Larson, Clint Cole

**Education:** Stephanie Kneeland, Darren Thate, Abby Gibson, Jennifer Hughes, Nicole Behrens, Brenna Anderson, Bobbi Jo Freking

**Parish Services:** Tammy Smith, Deb Williamson, Janet Kahler, Deb Schwager, Judy Hybbert, Sally Yahnke, Darla Ross, Christina Cole, Velda Roush

**Stewards:** Stephanie Wohlhuter, Bonnie Wilson, Lynne Mulso, Edith Gates, Jessica Korte, Marla Anderson

**Trustees:** Sam Meixell, Jim Claussen, Mark Wohlhuter, Ethan Thate, Justin Williamson, Derek Behrens

**Poinsettias:** Thank you for sharing the poinsettias with us. Please take them home with you after the service today.

**Kingdom Builders** will meet on January 11 at 6:00 pm. This meeting is for all officers and Board members for the 2023 year. They will be working on the budget for 2023.

**Praise Team** will practice on Wednesdays, January 11 and 18 at 6:30.

## Take My Moments and My Days

**Sunday, January 1:** 9:00 Worship, Happy New Year

**Wednesday, January 4:** 3:45 pm Confirmation, 5:00 pm Jr. High FFF

**Sunday, January 8:** 8 & 10:30 am Worship, 9:15 am Sunday School/  
Bible Class

**Benedicamus** LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

**Hymn to Depart:** "Go Tell It On The Mountain" LSB 388 v1-3

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**January 1, 2023**

*Creative Worship*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Hymn of Invocation:** "Joy to the World!" LSB 387 v1-4

Stand

**Confession and Absolution** LSB 203

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

**Service of the Word**

**Introit** Jeremiah 31:15–17; antiphon: Hosea 11:1

P When Israel was a child, I loved him,

C **and out of Egypt I called my son.**

P Thus says the LORD: "A voice is heard in Ramah,

C **lamentation and bitter weeping.**

P Rachel is weeping for her children;  
C **she refuses to be comforted for her children, because they are no more."**

P Thus says the LORD: "Keep your voice from weeping,  
C **and your eyes from tears,**

P for there is a reward for your work, declares the LORD,  
C **and they shall come back from the land of the enemy.**

P There is hope for your future, declares the LORD,  
C **and your children shall come back to their own country."**

**ALL: 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.**

P When Israel was a child, I loved him,  
C **and out of Egypt I called my son.**

**Kyrie** LSB 204

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Sit

**Gloria in Excelsis** LSB 204

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

C **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading** Isaiah 63:7–14

**7**I will tell of the kindnesses of the Lord, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the Lord has done for us—yes, the many good things he has done for the house of Israel, according to his compassion and many kindnesses. **8**He said, "Surely they are my people, sons who will not be false to me"; and so he became their Savior.

**9**In all their distress he too was distressed, and the angel of his pres-

**Pax Domini**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

**Agnus Dei** LSB 210

**ALL: O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Sit

**Distribution**

**Distribution Hymn: "The Infant Priest was Holy Born"** LSB 624 v1-7

**Distribution Hymn: "Angels from the Realms of Glory"** LSB 367 v1-5

**Distribution Hymn: "A Great and Mighty Wonder"** LSB 383 v1-5

Stand

**Nunc Dimittis** LSB 211

C **O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

**Post-Communion Collect**

P Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus** LSB 208

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In the beginning You created all things by Your Word; and in the fullness of time Your Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

Let Your Word made flesh dwell richly among us that, faithfully eating His body and drinking His blood, we may receive the fullness of Your grace and truth in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**Lord's Prayer**

**The Words of Our Lord**

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

ence saved them. In his love and mercy he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old. **10**Yet they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit. So he turned and became their enemy and he himself fought against them. **11**Then his people recalled the days of old, the days of Moses and his people where is he who brought them through the sea, with the shepherd of his flock? Where is he who set his Holy Spirit among them, **12**who sent his glorious arm of power to be at Moses' right hand, who divided the waters before them, to gain for himself everlasting renown, **13**who led them through the depths? Like a horse in open country, they did not stumble; **14**like cattle that go down to the plain, they were given rest by the Spirit of the Lord. This is how you guided your people to make for yourself a glorious name.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 98:1a

**P** To us a child is born, to us a son is given;

**C and the government shall be upon his shoulder.**

**P** And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

**C Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

**P** Sing to the Lord a new song,

**C for he has done marvelous things!**

**Epistle** Galatians 4:4–7

**4**But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, **5**to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. **6**Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." **7**So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

Stand

**Alleluia and Verse**

**C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel** Matthew 2:13–23

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

**13**When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." **14**So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, **15**where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son."

**16**When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. **17**Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: **18**"A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more."

**19**After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt **20**and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child's life are dead." **21**So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. **22**But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee,

**23**and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets: "He will be called a Nazarene."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed**

**All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He**

**suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

**Children's Message**

**Hymn of the Day:** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" LSB 379 v1-4

**Sermon** "Outside Our Comfort Zone"

**Offering**

**Offertory Hymn:** "Let All Together Praise Our God" LSB 389 v1-7

**Prayer of the Church**

Stand

**Service of the Sacrament**

**Preface** LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love