

PROPERS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

17 February 2019

INTROIT/PSALM *Psalm 119:1-2,4-5; antiphon: Psalm 119:7*



I will praise you with an / upright heart,
when I learn your just and righ- / teous decrees.*

Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,*
who walk in the law | of the LORD!

**Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies,*
who seek him with their | whole heart.**

You have commanded your | precepts*
to be kept dil- | igently.

**Oh that my ways may be | steadfast*
in keeping your | statutes!**

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

I will praise you with an / upright heart,
when I learn your just and righ- / teous decrees.*

GRADUAL *Psalm 117:1-2a; 96:8*



Praise the LORD, all | nations!*
Extol him, all | peoples!

**For great is his steadfast | love toward us,*
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.**

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*
bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Each petition ends:

P "Lord, in Your mercy, "

C "hear our prayer."

NOTES FOR WORSHIP

OFFERING

As the offerings are collected, the "Record of Fellowship" may be filled out and passed down the pew. When it reaches the end of the pew, please pass it back. As the offerings are brought forward, all stand to sing the Doxology (LSB #805).

SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

Communicants are to be in full confessional fellowship with The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. Visitors are kindly asked to read the communion statement below.

HOLY COMMUNION AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Confessing the Word of the Lord in love for all who worship here, and acknowledging the biblical truth that unity with Christ at His altar in Holy Communion embodies Christ's gift of unity in faith and practice, we welcome to the Lord's Supper all who are communicant members in good standing of an LCMS congregation. Communicants are asked to register their participation in the "Record of Fellowship," noting their home LCMS congregation if other than St. John, Bingen. If you have any questions about our communion practice, or the Lutheran faith in general, please speak with our pastor after the service.

2019-2020 Spring Enrollment Forms - Enrollment forms went out in the mail on Monday, February 11. Enrollment forms are to be returned to the school no later than March 1. There is a \$100 late fee for enrollment forms returned to the school after March 1. If you did not receive yours by Saturday, February 16, please call the school office right away.

**Preschool has a maximum class size of 12 students per class.

Prekindergarten has a maximum class size of 14 students per morning and afternoon class. The Preschool and Prekindergarten programs fill up fast so DO NOT delay in returning an application for enrollment once you receive one.

✠ STEWARDSHIP CORNER ✠

Bulletin Bloopers: ☺ The third verse of Blessed Assurance will be sung without musical accomplishment.

Luke 6:20-21 – **“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.”** The Beatitudes are largely about emptiness. If you are poor, your pockets are empty. If you are hungry, your stomach is empty. If you are mourning, there’s an emptiness in your heart that used to be filled with the presence of a loved one. Jesus assures us in each case that the Lord will fill our emptiness. That assurance gives us peace and courage to follow the Lord faithfully.

St. John Weekly News † February 17, 2019

On Thursday, February 14th, the Lord of life blessed our brother in Christ, Hank Oetting, with a holy death at the age of 91 years, 11 months, and 1 day. The Lord gives and the Lord takes away; blessed be the name of the Lord. We give thanks to God our Father through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for our brother Hank. Funeral is Friday, February 22nd at 10:30 a.m. at Bingen. Visitation is Thursday, February 21st, at the Zwick and Jahn Funeral Home in Decatur from 2-5, 6-8 p.m.

We give thanks to the Lord of Life and offer our congratulations to Nathan and Kelly (née Gresley) Hyde on the birth of their son, Tucker Jonah Hyde on Thursday, February 14, 2019.

The Adult Bible Class is currently on the Fifth Commandment in our study of the Small Catechism. Part of this study will include discussion about abortion and euthanasia, as well as proper and faithful Christian Care for vulnerable life, including the aging and the dying. Please join us for this important topic and instruction.

High School Youth Activities –

- **Today! & March 3rd - 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Parsonage 1**
Join us on Sunday evenings for cards, conversations, and/or Catchphrase®. But no coloring...ever.
- **February 24th – 5:30-8:30 p.m. Movie Night at the Caston’s**
Chris and Tina Caston will again host a movie night at their home (1988 E. 900 N.; Decatur, IN 46733). Come and enjoy their incredible home theater! Pizza and popcorn provided. Butter if you wish.
Please note the start time is 5:30 p.m.
- **March 8-10; Snow Skiing in Northern Michigan**
The current plan is to leave from the Bingen parking lot around 5 p.m. on Friday, arrive in Harbor Springs / Petoskey, MI Friday night where we have free lodging at Royce and Shelly Bradbury’s condo as well as Brian and Angela Horning’s house, ski all day Saturday, go to church Sunday morning at Zion Lutheran in Petoskey, and return to Decatur by mid-afternoon Sunday. Total cost will probably be around \$100-150 per person for the whole weekend (which seems like a good deal for transportation, two nights of lodging, lift tickets, equipment rentals, and food). We will get more details out soon, but we wanted to include the dates and general details now so interested individuals can schedule it. Please let Pastor Brockenhagen know if you’re planning to participate. Again, more information will be forthcoming.

Cancer Pads- Sewing this Tuesday the 19th from 8-11 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Ladies Guild – Tuesday, February 19th @ 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
Roll Call: Favorite Candy; Program: Bring a Valentine Lunch Box to be auctioned. Serving: Glenna Rhymer and Faye Koenemann

Lenten Meals-Any organization that would like to serve a Lenten meal please contact Danelle Westrick at 260-615-1019 or nellie_mc@yahoo.com. Available dates are April 3rd and April 10th. Thank-you!

Recognizing the past graduates of Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School

This week is the Class of 1995:

Kelly Beber, Jill Blomenberg, Catherine Brege, Brian Bulmahn, Corey Bultemeier, Jared Bultemeier, Mark Buuck, Jacob Conrad, Kevin Conrad, Abigail Croucher, Jamie Ehlerding, Brian Erxleben, Erica Everett, Julie Fuhrmann, Andrew Heckman, Timothy Heckman, Jill Hoffman, Jeff Keuneke, Kelly McBride, Tony Merriman, Jennifer Oetting, Bethany Olson, Timothy Reinhart, Daniel Sauer, Jennifer Schamerloh, Emily Wefel, Amanda Wiegmann

SCRIP - A new Scrip Coordinator and a new Scrip representative(s) for St. John, Bingen (all volunteer positions) are needed as soon as possible. Please prayerfully consider serving your church and school in this capacity. If interested, contact Mr. Gavrun at Wyneken at principal@wyneken.org or 260-639-6177. Thank-you!

LWML Scholarships for College Students - Applications are now available for \$500 scholarships for the 2019-2020 academic year awarded through the LWML Indiana District Scholarship Fund. A limited number of scholarships are given to students preparing for full-time church work in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Students must demonstrate a need for financial assistance, have a good scholastic aptitude and be enrolled in an LCMS college or seminary. Applicants need to be a communicant member of an LCMS Indiana District congregation for at least eighteen months prior to applying for a scholarship. Applications are posted on the [Indiana District LWML](#) website – under Resources, then Applications and Forms. An application may be also acquired by contacting Iris Wittman, LWML Scholarship Chairman, at mariawit35@gmail.com. Deadline to apply is March 15, 2019.

Issues, Etc. - **EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST...** This week's topics include: The Book of Obadiah, Judging Others, First Century Martyr Polycarp, Jesus Calls Philip & Nathanael and more. You can listen live or on-demand at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.