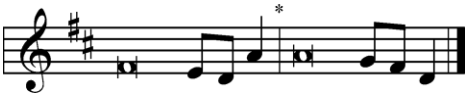
PROPERS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

2 JANUARY 2022

INTROIT/PSALM

Psalm 147:1, 5, 11–12; antiphon: John 1:14



*The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his | glory,**
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of | grace and truth.

Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises | to our God;*
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is | fitting.

Great is our Lord, and abun- | dant in power;*
his understanding is beyond | measure.

But the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,*
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

Praise the LORD, O Je- | rusalem!*
Praise your God, O | Zion!

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.

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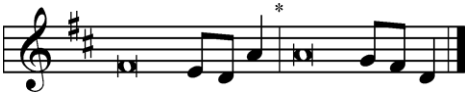
GRADUAL

Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 98:1a



To us a child is born, to us a son is | given;*
and the government shall be upon his | shoulder.

And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, | Mighty God,*
Everlasting Father, | Prince of Peace.

Sing to the Lord a | new song,*
for he has done | marvelous things!

NOTES FOR WORSHIP

RECORD OF FELLOWSHIP
Please fill out the Record of Fellowship located in each pew either before or after the service.

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.

✢ STEWARDSHIP CORNER ✢

Luke 2:40 – "And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him." At Christmas God became man. And as a man, Jesus grew up and increased in strength and wisdom. We are called to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, to grow in His image. The power for this growth comes from receiving the grace of Jesus in His Word and Sacraments. How is the Lord calling you to grow this year?

STUDY GOD'S WORD IN 2022…
LCMS Stewardship has encouraged Lutherans to spend 1% every day (14 minutes) in God's Word and prayer. The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily, 15-minute, verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon is currently leading a study on the Book of Ephesians. You can listen at thewordendures.org or your favorite podcast provider.

St. John Weekly News ✢ January 2, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
I have been extended a call to serve as principal at Trinity Lutheran Church and School in St. Joseph, Michigan. During this time of prayerful deliberation please keep my family and me in your prayers as we consider the ministry God has set before us. Please also keep Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School as well as Trinity, St. Joseph in your prayers. I hope to have a decision concerning this call within the next few weeks of time.
In Christ, Mr. Andrew Gavrun, Principal

The Epiphany of Our Lord **-** Divine Service, Thursday, January 6th @ 7 p.m.

Year End Annual Reports – Please have your reports to the church office by Friday, January 7th. Thank-you!

Change to Tuesday Morning Bible Class - Now Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
The Early Bird Bible Class that has been held at 6 a.m. on Tuesdays will become the Tuesday Bible Class beginning January 4, meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the large section of the Bingen Parish Hall. We hope this later time will allow more interested folks to participate. We plan to begin a study on the Gospel of Luke. As your schedule allows, this is a great time and opportunity to begin a new study of God's Word!

Decatur Lutheran Bible Institute Will be held at Wyneken on the four Tuesdays in February (the 1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd) from 7:00 – 9:15 p.m. Brochures available in the Narthex.

High School Youth Events

Sunday, January 9th; 6:00-8:30 p.m. – Movie Night @ Castons
Sunday, January 16th; 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Wyneken Service Night

2022 Flower Chart is now posted in the hallway leading to the Parish Hall. Please reserve your Sunday to honor a special occasion, in memory of, or just because you want to help beautify our worship. Our Flower Coordinator is Tina Caston (260) 701-2272 or tina@icav.us.

Does Anyone Know? We used to have a heavy wooden cross that was made by the Strahms which was used during the Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter seasons. It was stored in the grove's shed before the shed was demolished. Does anyone remember who took down the shed in the grove and/or if the cross was kept and stored somewhere? Please let Pam Selking or Kent Strahm know if you remember anything about this. Thanks!

Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School is seeking bids for lawn and grounds care for the 2022 season: There are 2 parts to the bid: A) Lawn Mowing, trimming, & maintenance B) Shrubbery & mulch maintenance. Please contact the school office at (260) 639-6177 or a Wyneken School Board Member for complete details of work to be performed. Those wishing to bid are requested to submit their bid to the Wyneken School office by Wednesday, Feb 9, 2022. The bid selection will be conducted at the regular February board meeting.

Fantastic 40/50's Couple's Club Gathering on Saturday, February 5th at the Castons' home, 7:00 p.m. for cards and movie night. Chris and Tina will have snacks and drinks, but you are welcome to bring your own.

Church Council and Newly Elected Officers for 2022

PRESIDENT**:** *Kenton Kleine*
VICE PRESIDENT**:** *Chris Hoffman*
CHAIRMAN OF ELDERS: *Martin Aumann*
ELDER**:** *Brian Strahm*
RECORDING SECRETARY: *Ryan Scherer*
TREASURER: *Don Gresley*
FINANCIAL SECRETARY: *Delin Kleine*
CHAIRMAN OF DEACONS**:** *James Schlemmer*
DEACONS**:** *Kevin Selking, David Albersmeyer, Don Dressler*
CHAIRMAN OF TRUSTEES: *Trent Kleine*
TRUSTEES**:** *Aaron Selking, Dan Fuhrmann, Chad McBride*
BOARD OF EVANGELISM CHAIRMAN: *Rick Johnson*
BOARD OF EVANGELISM**:** *Nathan Shelton, [Stephen Amstein]*
BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION CHAIRMAN: *Doug Schwartz*
BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION**:** *Matthew Allmandinger, [Troy Palacios]*
BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP CHAIRMAN: *Jim Butler*
BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP**:** *Greg Bultemeier, [Tim Scheumann]*
BOARD OF PLANNING CHAIRMAN: *Lee Bradtmueller*
BOARD OF PLANNING**:** *Jon Zwick*
WYNEKEN SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN: *Aaron Scheumann (7/21-7/22)*
[Brad Melcher (7/22-7/23)]
WYNEKEN SCHOOL BOARD**:** *Nathan Hoffman*

We extend a sincere thank you to all the current and outgoing church officers and special committee members for their time and efforts this past year. It takes many countless hours to make everything run smoothly, continue to function and looking great! God bless the talents you share here at St. John.