

PROPERS FOR FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

10 MARCH 2024

Baptized into the death and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, today is Bentley Knox, son of Cassidy Comer. Serving as sponsors are Jason and Crystal Matthias and Austin Comer.

INTROIT/PSALM

Psalm 27:3–5; antiphon: v. 1



*The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?**

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

Though an army encamp against me, my heart | shall not fear;*

though war arise against me, yet I will be | confident.

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek | after:*

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his | temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of | trouble;*

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high up- | on a rock.

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

Hebrews 12:2



[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,*

the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,*

and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

NOTES FOR WORSHIP

March Ushers

8:00 a.m. Thom DeBolt & Kent Strahm
10:30 a.m. Kevin Berning & Mark Scheumann

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.

St. John Weekly News ✝ March 10, 2024

The 2023 Annual Report is available as you leave church today. The audit was completed on Saturday, February 24.

This Wednesday's Lenten Meal begins at 5:15 p.m. The Social Committee will be serving pasta and salad.

2023 Deficit As noted in the letter you received from the Board of Christian Stewardship, we ended 2023 with a deficit of \$28,927.44. As of our last count on 2/26/24, we have received \$26,337 toward eliminating the deficit. The amount will be updated with each count.

Save the date for a baby shower! All ladies of the church are invited to a diaper and wipes shower for Audrey Armbrrecht on Today, March 10 at 12:00 in the parish hall. Come join us in celebrating the arrival of a sweet little one!

Easter Flower Chart is posted in the parish hallway for anyone interested in purchasing Easter flowers to help beautify the church. Order deadline is March 11th. You may also contact Tina Caston 260-701-2272. Thank you.

Annual Springtime Church Grounds Cleanup Saturday March 23rd beginning at 8a.m. We will need rakes, shovels, and wheelbarrows. Please plan to join us.

Fish & Tenderloin Dinner all you can eat. Sunday March 17th, 10:30a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Wyneken cafetorium. Adults \$14, Children (6-12) \$10, 5 and under free. Ladies Guild will be sponsoring a free-will bake sale. Donations of baked goods may be dropped off in the cafetorium. All are welcome to donate.

Altar Guild Polishing Saturday March 16th at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Choir Concert at St. Paul, Preble (4510 W 750 N., Decatur) on **Saturday, March 16th at 4PM.** The Concert Choir from Lutheran High School Northwest from Rochester Hills, Michigan will tour from March 14-17, 2024, performing concerts in Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan. The choirs will lift their voices to "Let Everything That Has Breath, Praise the Lord!" showcasing works from a variety of eras including pieces from Antonio Vivaldi, Robert Shaw and Alice Parker, Susan Brumfield, and Michael Barrett. A free will offering will be taken to defray tour costs. Please join us!

The Wyneken Childcare Program would like to thank members of St. Paul, St. John, and Zion for the prayers and support these past several months. We now have openings in our infant room! If you are in need of childcare services for your infant, please contact Jen Conrad or Janine Albert at 260-639-6064.

The Indiana LLL District Invites You to come together and celebrate the impact that the Lord makes in people's lives every day at their annual convention on Saturday, March 16 at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne. The featured keynote speaker will be Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of the Lutheran Hour® focusing on *Energizing Mission*. Session leader Rev. Jason Taber, Outreach Pastor, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Indianapolis Campus will lead 2 presentations. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. with the convention beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding with a worship service at 2:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$20 which includes lunch meal. If you have any questions or need more information you can contact Rick by phone: 260.442.4550; email: rhoffmann.sphr@gmail.com. Registration deadline is March 5, 2024.

Middle School Youth Events

March 31; Easter Day – Easter Breakfast

Each congregation customarily has a youth-sponsored Easter breakfast. Details will be provided by your church if applicable. Please take advantage of this opportunity to serve.

Sunday, April 14; 2-6 p.m. – Bowling & More at Georgetown Entertainment

We will meet in the Bingen parking lot at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 14 to carpool to Georgetown Entertainment. There we shall bowl. We shall also enjoy the 4D Dark Ride Theater (whatever that is) and the Augmented Rock Wall and the Spin-Zone Bumper Cars. Oh, and there will be food. All of it will be included for \$10 per youth. We plan to be back at Bingen by 6 p.m. Parents, as always, we need drivers, who get to play and eat for free. Please let Pastor Brock know if you're willing.

High School Youth Activities

March 24 (Palm/Passion Sunday); 5-8:30 p.m. – *The Passion of the Christ*

Chris and Tina Caston will again host a movie night at their home (1988 E. 900 N.; Decatur, IN 46733). In connection with the start of Holy Week on that day, Palm/Passion Sunday, we will be viewing *The Passion of the Christ*. Parents and youth please note: This film contains extended, frightening, and intense scenes of graphic violence and gore, and has been rated R by the MPAA for such sequences. The pastors will be in attendance to answer any questions and lead discussion following the film. **Please note the start time of 5 p.m.**

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Sunday, April 7; 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Wyneken Service Night

Sunday, April 14; 2-6 p.m. – Bowling & More at Georgetown Entertainment -see details above.

✠ STEWARDSHIP CORNER ✠

Ephesians 2:10 – “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.” Even the good we do in this world is a gift from God, prepared beforehand for us to do. And this too is a gift! For isn't doing good also a good thing for the one who does it? So from first to last, from the Lord's free salvation given to us to the good works He's prepared for us, everything is a gift of God's grace.