

*Our mission is to glorify God as we seek to make disciples of all nations  
by bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people within and outside  
of the one holy Christian Church.*

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**The Fourth Sunday After Epiphany**

January 29, 2023

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**The Anthem:** *"Be Thou My Vision"* - Jillian Neubauer, Piano

**The Sermon:** *"Blessed in the Kingdom of Heaven"*

**The Text:** *Matthew 5:3*

**The Opening Hymn:**

*"O Day of Rest and Gladness"* LSB **906**

**The Sermon Hymn:** *"Blest are They"* LSB **982** (Insert)

**The Closing Hymn:** *"Son of God, Eternal Savior"* LSB **842**

**This Week at St. Johns**

Monday	Staff Meeting	8:45 AM
Monday	Scouts	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Bible Study	8:30 AM
Tuesday	TOPS	9:00 AM
Wednesday	Release Time	8:25 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Communion Service	NOON
Wednesday	Confirmation	3:30 PM
Wednesday	Blended Practice	6:00 PM
Thursday	Scouts	6:00 PM

**Next Sunday**

Blended Worship	8:00 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Bible Study	9:30 AM
Blended Worship (Comm.)	10:30 AM

**ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH:** Rev. Richard Biberdorf, Grace Lutheran Church, Carrington, ND, Grace Lutheran Church, Cooperstown, ND, and Zion Lutheran Church, Rural Binford, presents the message: "When Worlds Collide" based on 1 Corinthians 1:26-31. *This Is the Life:* "Transition"- A young boy reacts to the reality of a divorce of his parents and the new reality he now faces. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRN Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com), "North(Fargo)."

**LISTEN** to the Lutheran Hour Sundays on KPRM 870 AM at 9:30 a.m., or KTIG 102.7 and 95.9 FM at 5:00 p.m. You can also listen on Sirius XM Family Talk Channel 133 on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or any time on [lhm.org/sentradio](http://lhm.org/sentradio). Today's sermon is "Hopelessly Hopeful" (Colossians 1:27) with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Having hope for humanity is not the same thing as hoping in humanity.

**OUR CHRISTIAN** love and sympathy is extended to Betsy Vrudny and family as they mourn the death of her father, Neal Walker, who passed away on Saturday, January 21. We pray that they would find peace and comfort in the presence and promises of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** The lesson for today is "Mountain Message - *Jesus Preaches on the Mount*." Just a reminder, our offerings are collected each week to assist Good Shepherd Lutheran School in North Fort Myers, Florida. Let's fill our fish bowl with coins so these children can continue to learn about the Savior. We welcome parents to join Bible study in the social hall during the Sunday School hour.

**THE 2023 FLOWER CHART** is posted across from the office. If you would like to provide flowers for the altar on one or more Sundays, please sign up on the chart. You are responsible for either bringing in the flowers yourself, or having the local florist deliver them prior to Sunday. You will receive a reminder call the week before.

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY** with Pastor Neubauer is entitled "Provoking Proverbs" and starts at 8:30 a.m. in the library.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Pastor Harvala begins a new Bible study this Wednesday entitled "The Daily Power of Baptism" at 10:30 a.m. in the social hall.

**LIVING AT HOME** is sponsoring "An Afternoon Out." This is an opportunity for respite or a shared social event for individuals with dementia and their care partners. It will be held every second Thursday at Riverside Church from 1:00-2:30 p.m. This program is free to individuals with dementia and their care partners but they ask that you pre-register so that they can make sure to have enough volunteer and staff coverage. For more information or to RSVP, please call 218-732-3137.

**EVENING GUILD 80 PROJECT:** Information is on the LWML bulletin board. Please sign up for items you would like to bring and have them to the church by this Wednesday. Items can be placed in the box in Pastor Newton's office.

**MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE:** The Senior Choir is looking for voices to add to our services. All range of talent is gladly accepted. Practice will begin February 8 at 6:00 p.m.

**CPR/AED CLASS:** Please contact Brenda Huwe at 218-255-2070 if you are interested. The cost will be \$55.00 per person. This is a BLS (Basic Life Support) class and will take approximately 3 hours. Date has yet to be scheduled. We are researching if there are funds available thru LLL.

**A LUTEFISK & SWEDISH MEATBALL DINNER** will be held at First English Lutheran Church, Menahga on Saturday, February 11, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. See the poster in the hall or go to [facebook.com/MyFirstEnglishMenahga](https://facebook.com/MyFirstEnglishMenahga) for more information.

**2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are available in the front lobby. Please pick yours up as any left on January 31 will be mailed. **IT'S TIME TO RENEW** or start a new Lutheran Witness subscription. The cost is \$25.80 and is due by today. There is a special Lutheran Witness envelope in your offering packet. Please put your name and address on the back of the envelope to help us double check for correct addresses.

**A BENEFIT DINNER** for Sam Schmid's daughter and family (who lost everything in a home fire) will be on Saturday, March 4, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at First English Lutheran Church in Dorset (free will donation). If you have an item you would like to donate for the silent auction, please contact Sandy Phillips at 218-732-7501 or Deb Anderson at 218-732-4395 (Sam's sisters). Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

**FEBRUARY ACOLYTES:** 8:00 - (2/5) Kolt Safratowich and Luke Eskola, (2/12) Taylor Arola and Sawyer Harvey, (2/19) Zach Harju and Khloe May, (2/26) Kolt Safratowich and Austin Lee. 10:30 - (2/5) Khloe Harrison and Austin Lee, (2/12) Jada Lapping and Luke Eskola, (2/19) Brooke Kimball and Kiften Luther, (2/26) Kryton Nilson and Kaitlyn Maves. Lent (2/22) - Brock Knutson and Khloe Harrison.

**FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD:** Lois Just and Mary Poole.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Att. - 19. Offering - \$19.25.

**LAST SUNDAY:** Att. 9:00 - 203. Offering: Unified - \$6,072.00. Unified Electronic - \$847.00. Plate - \$255.53. Front Entry - \$20.00. Lutheran Witness Subscription - \$105.90. Healthy Balance - \$250.00. Christmas Luminaries - \$40.00. Pregnancy Resource Center - \$1,295.00. Total - \$8,885.43.

**NOON COMMUNION SERVICE:** Att: 14.