

*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 Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

February 12, 2023

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The Sermon: “Matters of the Heart”

The Text: Matthew 5:21-37

The Opening Hymn:

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” LSB 394

The Sermon Hymn: *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”* LSB 700

The Communion Hymns: *“I Come, O Savior”* LSB 618
“God Loves Me Dearly” LSB 392
“The King of Love” LSB 709

The Closing Hymn: *“Renew Me, O Eternal Light”* LSB 704

+Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 8:00 a.m. service today. Guests, it is our desire for you to commune with us. In the Lord's Supper, in with and under the bread and the wine, we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. You should also know that when you commune with a group of Christians, you are saying you agree with the teachings of that church body. If you are a member of a different church body, please use this time for prayer and reflection upon God's Word. We then invite you to speak with one of the pastors about how you, too, can share in this wonderful gift. If you believe what Christ says about His supper and share the beliefs we have at St. Johns, an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to join us for communion. Gluten free wafers are available. If you prefer a gluten free wafer please let the pastors know.

This Week at St. Johns

Monday	Staff Meeting	8:45 AM
Monday	Scouts	5:45 PM
Tuesday	Bible Study	8:30 AM
Tuesday	TOPS	9:00 AM
Tuesday	Evening Guild	1:00 PM
Wednesday	Release Time	8:25 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Communion Service	NOON
Wednesday	Confirmation	3:30 PM
Wednesday	Bell Practice	5:00 PM
Wednesday	Sr. Choir Practice	6:00 PM
Thursday	Scouts	6:00 PM

Next Sunday

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The lesson for today is “A Life Restored- *Jairus’ Daughter.*” Our offerings are going to 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.

ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH: Rev. Michael Suelzle, St. Andrew Lutheran, Grace Lutheran, and St. Peter Lutheran Church, Devils Lake, ND, presents the message: "A New Creation" based on Matthew 5:29-30. *This Is the Life*: "The Priceless Book" - Money and health troubles on the farm lead a father to God's Word for comfort. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRP Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at 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. Today's sermon is "Shine Like Stars" (1 Corinthians 3:6-7) with speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. A social media star with a million followers can't possibly know all one million of them. However, there is one really famous Person with billions of followers Who knows--and loves--each one.

A DEATH BY CHOCOLATE bake sale will be held between services today in the back entry. This event is sponsored by the Senior Bell Choir but anyone can bring in items for the sale. The freewill offering proceeds will go to Good Shepherd Lutheran in North Fort Myers, Florida, to help with hurricane recovery.

OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE and sympathy is extended to the family of Beverly Prechel, who passed away January 19 in Alexandria, MN. A memorial service is planned for this spring. We pray that our Lord Jesus Christ will grant them peace and rest from their sorrow.

HEARING ASSISTANCE SETS are available in the back near the ushers if you have trouble hearing the worship service.

"SHARE THE LOVE:" The Family Safety Network is asking that you join them in "Sharing the Love" by donating a gift card of your choice to help a family in need. Drop off locations are Ace Hardware, Coborn's, Hugo's, Good Life Café, Orton's Cenex, and Zappy's in Akeley. You can also mail them directly to the Family Safety Network, PO Box 803, Park Rapids, MN 56470.

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 can bring in flowers yourself or have the local florist deliver them prior to Sunday. You will receive a reminder call the week before.

A LARGE PRINT HYMNAL is available for members to review. Ask the ushers if you would like to try it and let us know what you think.

THE DAILY POWER OF BAPTISM is the new topic at Pastor Harvala's Wednesday Bible study which meets at 10:30 a.m. in the social hall.

THE BELL CHOIR started practice last Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. If you're interested in joining the bell choir, contact director Vickie Helm at 218-330-3195.

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

OUR LENTEN SERVICES begin Wednesday, February 22. The theme is "Amazing Grace." The noon service will be followed with a lunch. A meal will be served at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Lenten Service at 6:00 p.m. The theme for the service is "David."

CPR/AED CLASS UPDATE: Two sessions have been scheduled, one on Thursday, February 23 at 6:00 p.m. and one on Sunday, March 5 at 3:00 p.m. Please contact Brenda Huwe at 218-255-2070 if you are interested in attending so she knows how many to plan for. The cost is \$55.00 per person but we may have funds to help offset the cost. This is a BLS (Basic Life Support) class and will take approximately 3 hours.

A BENEFIT DINNER for the Williams 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. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Att. - 17. Offering - \$12.00.

LAST SUNDAY: Att. 8:00 - 89. 10:30 - 41. Total - 130. Offering: Unified - \$5,896.00. Unified Electronic - \$1,949.50. Plate - \$365.01. Healthy Balance - \$200.00. Lutheran Witness Subscription - \$25.80. Total - \$8,436.31.

NOON COMMUNION SERVICE: Att: 12.