

*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 Second Sunday of Epiphany

January 14, 2024

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The Sermon: "Bought at a Price!"

The Text: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

The Opening Hymn: "Holy Spirit Light Divine" LSB 496

The Hymn of Praise: "This is the Feast" LSB 155

The Sermon Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be" LSB 784

The Communion Hymns:

"O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace" LSB 693

"O God, My Faithful God" LSB 696

"Lord of Glory, You have Bought Us" LSB 851

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
Tuesday	Worship Committee Meeting	10:30 AM
Monday	Stamping	5:30 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	Bell Choir	5:00 PM
Thursday	Scouts	6:00 PM

Next Sunday - Life Sunday

Worship	8:00 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Bible Class	9:30 AM
Worship (Comm.)	10:30 AM
Crazy for Cribbage	2:00 PM

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The lesson for today is "Samson." Just a reminder, our offerings are collected each week to assist in raising funds for Lutheran Island Camp to purchase a new Lily Pad and other waterfront equipment. We welcome parents to join Bible Study in the social hall during the Sunday School hour. Substitute teachers are needed.

THE 2024 FLOWER CHART is posted in the front lobby. If you would like to provide flowers for the altar on one or more Sundays, please sign up on the chart.

USHERS FOR 2024 are needed. Please sign up on the sheet by the choir loft stairs.

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 "How Could She Ever Forgive Him?" with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Dr. Michael Zeigler explains why it's not a contradiction to offer forgiveness while insisting on justice. (Matthew 18:27)

ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH: Rev. Richard Jones, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, ND, presents the message: "Selective Hearing Loss" based on I Samuel 3:1-10. "*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 KVRR Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at www.mainstreetliving.com, "North(Fargo)." Join us on Giving Hearts Day (Feb 8th) with a donation to Main Street Living. You can pre-schedule a donation at www.GivingHeartsDay.org.

BEING RECEIVED into God's family through Holy Baptism this morning after the 10:30 a.m. service is, Nathaniel Foster Abrahamson, infant son of Matthew and Tawny Warren Abrahamson. "See this wonder in the making: God Himself this child is taking as a lamb safe in His keeping, His to be awake or sleeping."

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPE PACKETS are available in the front lobby. Please note that envelope numbers were reassigned this year as we decreased the number of packets we purchase. If you cannot find yours, please check with the church office.

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are available in the front lobby.

A SPECIAL OFFERING will be taken next Sunday following the services for the Pregnancy Resource Center for Sanctity of Life Sunday.

IT'S TIME TO RENEW or start a new Lutheran Witness subscription. The cost is \$27.65 and is due by January 27. 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 address information. **CHECK OUT** children's church at the 10:30 a.m. service. Just before the sermon, parents of children ages 2-6 will be invited to bring their children to the nursery for a time of faith focused videos and activities. This time lasts about 20 minutes, while the parents have an opportunity to return to worship. A small snack is often provided. Please let the facilitator know if your child has any dietary restrictions. We are looking for at least 4 pairs of volunteers to staff this time. You will be provided with materials to use. Contact the church if you are willing to volunteer for this new ministry.

CRAZY FOR CRIBBAGE is becoming a twice a month event on the first and third Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. If you are new to cribbage and would like to learn how it's played, we'll teach you.

BOARD GAMES: We will have a Sunday afternoon for family fun while enjoying board game competition. We have a variety of games for various ages. Please join us on January 28 from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. The youth group will be providing snacks for a free will donation. This donation will go toward the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans in 2025.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Att. - 23. Offering - \$9.30.

LAST SUNDAY: Att.: 8:00 - 98. 10:30 - 53. Total - 151. Offering: Unified: \$6,256.00. Unified Electronic - \$7,654.15. Plate - \$574.25. New Year's Eve - \$35.00. Healthy Balance - \$200.00. Lutheran Witness - \$132.95. Total - \$14,852.35.

NOON COMMUNION SERVICE: Att: 26.