

*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 of Epiphany

January 28, 2024

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The Sermon: “Am I My Brother’s Keeper?”

The Text: 1 Cor. 8:1-13

The Opening Hymn: “We All Believe in One True God” LSB 953

The Sermon Hymn:

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” LSB 849

The Communion Hymns:

“What is This Bread” LSB 629

“Jesus Comes Today with Healing” LSB 620

“Your Table I Approach” LSB 628

The Closing Hymn:

“Rise, Shine, You People” LSB 825

+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	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
Wednesday	Youth Meal	5:30 PM
Thursday	Scouts	6:00 PM

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 “Saul Becomes King”.

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.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR this morning were given by John Moench: “In memory of my mom’s birthday, and in memory of the 2 years of my wife going to heaven.”

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.

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 "Forgiveness Is a Gift from Far Away" with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola. Forgiveness is a gift Christ won for us on a cross, thousands of miles away and two thousand years ago. (Psalm 103:11-12)

ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH: Rev. Timothy Stout, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Sawyer, ND, St. Martin Lutheran Church, Anamoose, ND, and St. John Lutheran Church, Kongsberg, ND, presents the message: "Depart, Thou Unclean Spirit" based on Mark 1:21-28. *"This Is the Life"*: "In Search of Dignity" - Two factory workers struggle to find meaning after they are replaced by machines. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRN 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

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.

2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are available in the front lobby. Any statements that are not picked up by January 31, will be mailed.

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

YOUTH MEALS will continue on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. for high school students through February 7. They will resume after Easter.

BOARD GAMES: Today from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. we will have an afternoon for family fun while enjoying board game competition. We have a variety of games for various ages. People are also invited to bring their favorite game to share. The youth group will be providing appetizers for a free will donation. This donation will go toward the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans in 2025.

CRAZY FOR CRIBBAGE has become 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.

FEBRUARY ACOLYTES: 8:00 - (2/4) Zach Harju and Luke Eskola, (2/11) Will Sanquist and Kryton Nilson, (2/18) Addie Devore and Ava Kimball, (2/25) Alex Lof and Kryton Nilson. 10:30 - (2/4) Khloe May and Alex Lof, (2/11) Ketch Luther and Nevaeh Etter, (2/18) Zach Harju and Will Sanquist, (2/25) Nevaeh Etter and Mellaney Hall. Lent (2/14) - Rozaley Hall and Hayden Hafner, (2/21) Addie DeVore and Clinton Koch, (2/28) Ketch Luther and Kiften Luther.

FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD: Lois Just and Mary Poole.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Att. - 29. Offering - \$7.00.

LAST SUNDAY: Att.: 8:00 -120. 10:30 -75. Total - 195.

Offering: Unified: \$5,149.00. Unified Electronic - \$572.00. Plate - \$535.00. Healthy Balance - \$100.00. Lutheran Witness - \$193.55. Pregnancy Resource Center - \$1,657.00. Total - \$8,206.55.

NOON COMMUNION SERVICE: Att: 29.