

✧ Called to be Christ's Community of Truth and Mercy ✧
 ✧ Saved by Grace - Solid in the Word - Here to Serve ✧

Welcome!

"Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 14-16



Holy Communion

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and true blood. Reception of the Lord's Supper expresses not only fellowship with the Lord, but also fellowship and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that out of care for each person and a desire to be faithful to God's Word we follow the biblical practice of closed communion. **All guests are kindly asked to please speak with Pastor Gaunt before communing at our altar.** Normally, people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS, are welcome to partake. Those not communing, who so desire, may come to the altar to receive a blessing. So that the pastor knows you desire a blessing please cross your arms over your chest. Please pray with us that we might all be truly united in the teaching of our Lord's precious word. (For further study: 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 6:26-29.)

Prayers of the Church

Circuit Congregation Zion (Wanda), Juniata **Hospice** + Maxine Weseman **Health Issues** + Betty Krueger + Jenny Brogan (Daughter of Jan Hinze) + Duane Hoegren (Katie Hoin's Father) + June Rose + Lisa Novak + Kellie Boutin + Linda Parsons + Don Nissen + Kara Nissen + John Parsons + Dee Janssen **Missions** Wellspring Pregnancy Health Center, David Preus Family, Heartland Lutheran, Zion Classical Academy **Military** + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson + Rev. Glen Gutz (deliberating a call)

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah R. Gaunt
 Organist: Mr. Joel Jank Cantor: Mr. David Witt
 Altar Guild: January Tonda Wolfe
 Elders: Dick LeBeau, Derek Zeisler, Dustin Russell
 Acolyte: Isaac Russell

Gifts of Time and Treasure

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.
 A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Jerry Blazer, Treasurer 402-303-0932

The Lord's Week

Sunday	Jan. 14	9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Sunday School, Bible Study-opening
Monday-Thursday		8:30am	Daily Prayer Service
Monday	Jan. 15	11am	Senior Bible Study
		4:30pm	Stewardship Committee
Tuesday	Jan. 16	9:30am	Bible Study
		7pm	Council Meeting Tentative
Wednesday	Jan. 17	5:00pm	Communion Service
		5:30pm	Meal
		6:15pm	Catechetical Service
Friday	Jan. 19	4p-7:30pm	Fellowship Hall set-up
Saturday	Jan. 20	12p-7:30	Fellowship Hall Reserved
Sunday	Jan. 21	9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Quarterly Voters' Meeting
		11:30am	Luncheon Congregation Human Care

Jesus' First Miracle Reveals God's Glory

The coming of the Messianic kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that "the mountains shall drip sweet wine" (Amos 9:11-15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1-11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The "back" of God (Ex. 33:12-23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation's curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Eph. 5:22-32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the holy sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to "love one another with brotherly affection . . ." and to "outdo one another in showing honor" (Rom. 12:6-16).



Prelude & Ringing of Bells	
Hymn	#409
Confession and Absolution	p. 184
Service of the Word	
Introit	<i>insert</i>
Gloria Patri	p.186
Kyrie	
Hymn of Praise "Gloria in Excelsis"	
Salutation and Collect	
First Reading	
Gradual	
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Gospel Procession	
Alleluia & Verse	
Holy Gospel	
Nicene Creed	
Hymn of the Day	#402
Sermon	John 2:1-11
Offertory	
Offering	
Prayer of the Church	
Service of the Sacrament	
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The Words of Our Lord	
Pax Domini & Agnus Dei	
Distribution & Hymns	#625 #533 #514
Dismissal & Nunc Dimittis	
Thanksgiving & Collect	
Salutation & Benedicamus	
Benediction	
Hymn	#394
Postlude	
Announcements	
<i>P: Go In Peace</i>	
C: "Thanks Be To God!"	

News and Notes of Interest

Divine Service: Sunday, Divine Service 9 AM

10:15 AM Quarterly Voters' Meeting

Your Human Care committee invites everyone to join the 1st quarterly luncheon of 2024 on January 21st. Luncheon will begin after the Voters Meeting, around 11:30 a.m. Please come for the food and fellowship and stay for Human Care updates.

Birthdays 1/14 Josh Dalland, Becky Hesterman

1/19 Gary Ockinga **Baptismal 1/15** Don Nissen

1/16 Susan Fullerton **1/19** Gary Ockinga

Wedding Anniversary 1/18 Cody & Molly Rajdl

Of the Father's Love Begotten (LSB # 384) is the Hymn of the Season during January. You can watch Dr. Hesterman give us a brief background and teaching about the hymn on our YouTube channel. Just type in "[Peace Lutheran Church Hastings Nebraska - YouTube](#)". When you get there look for "Hymn of the Month".

Wednesday Communion Service. we will be offering the Divine Service with Communion starting at 5 pm. We will follow an abbreviated spoken liturgy with no hymns. The service will be done around 5:30. We are continuing to discover that Holy Communion is the lifeblood of the church, and the sustenance we need for our journey with Christ. Note that the intent is not to replace but to supplement the Sunday morning service. Likewise, those who are unable to get to church on Sundays, might find Wednesday an option in the week. We are offering this service on a trial basis. Please contact Pr. Gaunt with any questions.

Wednesday Night Meal. Please note, after the Communion service at 5, you are welcome to join the catechism families for a meal at 5:30.

L.W.M.L. Cancelled all events for Monday, January 15, 2024 due to the inclement cold weather. Quilting at Peace is scheduled for January 22nd 10am-3pm.

The documentary film **HUSH** will be shown on **Sunday, January 28th at 2 pm** at the **Hastings Museum Theatre**, 1330 N Burlington Ave, Hastings, NE. This showing is **FREE** and open to the public.

Lifequote Abortion has only ever represented a symptom. The sickness has always consisted of the deeper reality of sin. So, law never embodied the finish line or the prize. Our Savior's victory invites us to settle for nothing less than sharing life, abundant and everlasting, with each human being and receiving them all as gift and privilege. Let's press ahead with renewed enthusiasm!" • [lutheransforlife.org](#)

The Congregation at Prayer

Speak aloud as much of this order of prayer as you are able.

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The 10 Commandments

The Apostles Creed

The Lord's Prayer

Other Readings for the Week: *The Gospel Lesson on Monday, The Gospel Verse on Tuesday, The Epistle Lesson on Wednesday, The Gradual Verse on Thursday, The First Lesson on Friday & The Introit on Saturday.*

Pray in response to the Catechism and/or Readings for the Week. *What is God teaching you to **thank** Him for? What sin is He teaching you to **confess**? What is God teaching you to **ask** for? You may also pray this week's Collect, as well as for the prayers of the church (found in the bulletin).*

May the almighty and most merciful God, Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.

Hymn- #402 "The Only Son from Heaven"

Next Week's Readings: Deuteronomy 35:1-12, Hebrews 3:1-6, Luke 9:28-36.

Week of Sunday, Jan. 14th (Midweek Service Jan. 17th)

Review the entire Second Article

Bible Verse

What did Jesus die with the sins of the whole world?

Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world? John 1:29

Bible Reading

Discuss the Sunday readings. Look for connections to the Second Article.

Luther's Small Catechism for Kids: p. 46-54

Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 14 th
Divine Service Setting 3 9:00am



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