

Saved by Grace - Solid in the Word - Here to Serve

Welcome!

“Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus.” Acts 3: 19-20



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 St. Paul, Kenesaw **Expectant Mother** + Mikaela Wolfe
Health Issues + Joyce Carroll + Lisa Novak + June Rose + Bill Fintel
+ Linda Parsons + Kara Nissen + Don Nissen + John Parsons + Dee Janssen
Missions Wellspring Pregnancy Health Center, David Preus Family, Heartland
Lutheran, Zion Classical Academy **Military** + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah Gaunt
Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt
Altar Guild: February Ethel Schukei
Elders: Dustin Russell, Derek Zeisler, Dick LeBeau
Acolyte: Elder

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	Feb. 26	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
		9:00am	Divine Service
		10:30am	Children’s Sunday School, Bible Study
Tuesday	Feb. 28	9:30am	Bible Study
Wed.	Mar. 1	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
		6:00pm	Meal – Board of Education
		7:00pm	Lenten Worship
Thursday	Mar. 2	1:30pm	L.W.M.L.
Saturday	Mar. 4	9:00am	Mens’ Prayer Group
Sunday	Mar. 5	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
		9:00am	Divine Service
		10:30am	Children’s Sunday School, Bible Study

Jesus Does Battle in Our Place

In the Garden, man exalts himself to be a god in place of God (Gen. 3:1–21). He succumbs to the temptation of the devil, and eating of the forbidden fruit, he receives death. But in the sin-cursed wilderness, God humbles Himself to become man in place of man (Mt. 4:1–11). He does not eat but fasts and bears the onslaughts of the devil for us that we may be restored to life. Jesus stands as David in our place to do battle against the Goliath, Satan (1 Samuel 17:40–51). Though outwardly Jesus appears weak, yet He comes in the name of the Lord of hosts. He draws from the five smooth stones of the books of Moses and slings the Word of God. The stone sinks into the forehead, and the enemy falls. In Christ we are victorious over the devil. Let us therefore not receive the grace of God in vain (2 Cor. 6:1–10), but seeing that we have a great High Priest, let us come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain help in time of need (Heb 4:14–16).

The Hymn of Praise “Gloria in Excelsis” and “Alleluias” are silenced during Lent.



Prelude & Ringing of Bells
Hymn #418
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Service of the Word
Introit *insert*
Kyrie
Salutation and Collect
Old Testament Reading
Gradual
Epistle Reading
Tract
Holy Gospel

Hymn of the Day #656
Sermon Matthew 4:1-11
Giving of new bibles
Enrollment and blessing of Catechumens

Apostles’ Creed
Prayer of the Church
Be seated as the altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

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Benediction
Hymn #655
Postlude

News and Notes of Interest

Divine Service: Sunday, Divine Service 9:00 A.M.
10:30 A.M. Children's Sunday School, Bible Study

March 1st Midweek Lenten Service at 7 pm. This year's theme is "The High Priestly Prayer". Meal provided at 6:00 pm. this weeks servers Board of Education.

Birthdays 2/27 Coley Lacy 2/28 Sue Fintel, Amanda Zeisler 3/01 Kelvin Wolzen 3/02 Norma Bosle 3/03 Seth Latta, Kay Krueger 3/04 Scott Hansel
Baptismal 2/27 Kobyn Morgan 2/28 Shannon Jackson, Diana Troudt, Maxine Weseman 3/02 Zach Zeisler 3/04 Amanda Zeisler **Wedding Anniversary** None

Human Care Fund. As many of you know we have a fund that we use to provide financial assistance to church members and people in the community in time of need. The season of Lent is often used as a time of increased giving to help those in need. The Human Care Fund will be our financial project during the season of Lent. Please consider donating. There is a donation box attached to the north wall of the narthex, near the door to the office wing.

Baby Bottle Drive Update: Over \$7,200 has been raised through the baby bottle campaign so far! (Total for all participating churches.) Thank you so much for your support and generosity towards helping moms in need. If you still have bottles, feel free to drop them by the church office. Your support is vital in helping moms choose life. Mary Hall, Director, Wellspring

Souper Sunday Homemade Chili or Chicken Noodle Soup Drive-Thru -or- Dine-In fundraiser for South Central Nebraska Right to Life, will be held **Sunday, March 19, 2023**, from 11am - 1:30pm, at the ADAMS CO. Fairgrounds, Old Community Service Building (947 S. Baltimore). Help us raise funds to support our pro-life billboard presence in Hastings! If you are unable to attend, a gift may be sent to: South Central Nebraska Right to Life, P.O. Box 391, Hastings, NE 68902
Questions? Call Joan Primrose 402-469-6335 email: info@SCNRTL.org.

HLHS Save the Date! Red & Blue Gala
Banquet, Auction, Dance - Saturday March 25, 2023.
Call 308-385-3900 or office@heartlandlutheran.org/
<http://heartlandlutheran.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.

Verse of the Week: Why was it necessary for Jesus to be tempted? Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:1-11

*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.*

Hymn- #656 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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

Next Week's Readings: Genesis 32:22-32, Romans 5:1-5, Matthew 15:21-28.

Prayer Practice This Week - Intercession
(From *Praying Like Monks, Living Like Fools*)

The goal is to intercede for people and circumstances in light of God's will. Here we can use the 3rd and 2nd Petition of the Lord's Prayer to guide us. *First*, pray that God's will be done very specifically in your life. This means releasing control. What is something over which you don't want to give up control? In your prayer, name it and release it to God. (Sometimes you have to do this repeatedly.) As Tyler Staton says, "Ask for filling from the Spirit in place of releasing, peace in place of anxiety, trust in place of fear." *Second*, we pray, "Thy kingdom come...on earth as it is in heaven." Now we are free to see our lives, our relationships, our community, and our world through the eyes of God. This is our prayerful desire. And so, we simply ask "that God's kingdom will come where it is absent - loved ones outside of a relationship with Jesus, needs in our city and world, physical or mental illness - anywhere you know God's kingdom of love and peace is missing." Try to be brief and specific. The point is simply to ask with the desire that your will is joined with God's.

**First Sunday in Lent
Divine Service Setting 1**

**February 26th
9:00am**



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