

Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 23, 2022 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

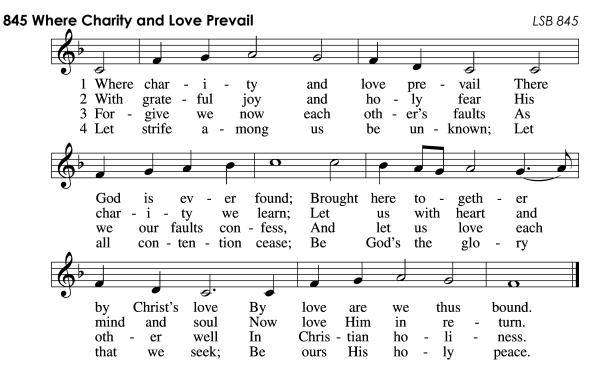


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As we gather, please take time to fill out the fellowship pad located near the center aisle in your pew. If you have any prayer requests, feel free to use a prayer request card from the pew rack in front of you, and place it in the offering plate after the sermon. (For those joining us online, please contact the church office.) We will include these requests in our prayers during worship, and share them with our prayer chain (if desired).

Welcome and Opening Prayer



Let us recall that in our midst
 Dwells Christ, His only Son;

 As members of His body joined
 We are in Him made one.

6 For love excludes no race or clan
That names the Savior's name;
His family embraces all

Whose Father is the same.

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Stand

Divine Service Setting One, page 151

+ Confession and Absolution +

Confession, to confess to God our sins and sinful nature. Absolution, "To absolve of sin and wrongdoing," more specifically, to affirm God's forgiveness to all who sincerely confess their sins to Him.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

InvocationMatthew 28:19b; 18:20

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation 1 John 1:8–9 151

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination. Consider: Have you loved God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength? Have you loved your neighbor as yourself?

Confession of Sins LSB 151

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 102:18-22; antiphon: v. 13

- P You will arise and have pity on Zion;
- it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.
- **P** Let this be recorded for a generation to come,
- **C** so that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD:
- **P** that he looked down from his holy height;
- from heaven the LORD looked at the earth,
- **P** to hear the groans of the prisoners,
- c to set free those who were doomed to die,
- **P** that they may declare in Zion the name of the LORD,
- and in Jerusalem his praise,
- **P** when peoples gather together,
- and kingdoms, to worship the LORD.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- **P** You will arise and have pity on Zion;
- c it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.



Kyrie Mark 10:47 152

A Greek phrase meaning, "Lord, have mercy!" A brief prayer not only imploring God's mercy but rejoicing in it through Jesus Christ.

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

"Salutation" is a word from Latin meaning, "to greet." "Collect" (KAH-lekt), a brief structured prayer, usually consisting of five parts: address to God, basis for the prayer, petition, desired benefit or result, and trinitarian conclusion. The Collect of the Day also "collects" the message of the day's Gospel reading.

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit



A The Old Testament Reading is from Nehemiah, chapter 8.

¹ All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel. ²So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. ³And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. . . .

⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. ⁶And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Jesus, Savior Choir

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Epistle 1 Corinthians 12:12–31a

A The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 12.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²²On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Holy Gospel Luke 4:16–30

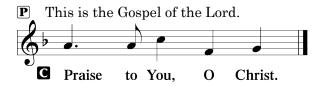
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourth chapter.



¹⁶[Jesus] came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

18"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
19to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." 22And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Physician, heal yourself.' What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well." ²⁴And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow, ²⁷And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰But passing through their midst, he went away.



Nicene Creed

Creed comes from the Latin "credo" which means "I believe." We confess our Christian faith in one of the three creeds (short statement of belief) agreed upon by the ancient church.

I believe in one God. the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ. the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and

the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

Matthew 19:14; Mark 13:13-15; Luke 18:16

Children are invited to join Amanda Adams, our Director of Christian Education, at the front of the sanctuary for the Children's Message.



Sermon

Offering

If you brought your gift, tithe, or offering with you today, you may place it in the offering plate as it passes. We also have multiple options for electronic giving. You can sign up for online giving at pushpay.com/pay/christlcms for a one-time or recurring gift. Direct links with more information are available on the church website (christlcms.org/giving).

For those joining us remotely, you may use the electronic giving methods listed above, or you may mail your offering to the church office (3509 SW Burlingame Rd, Topeka, KS 66611).





Prayer of the Church

1 Timothy 2:1-4

At the end of each petition, the pastor will say, "Lord, in Your mercy," to which the congregation will respond, "Hear our prayer."

- ...through Jesus Christ, Your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- a Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160

The Lord be with you.



Lift up your hearts.



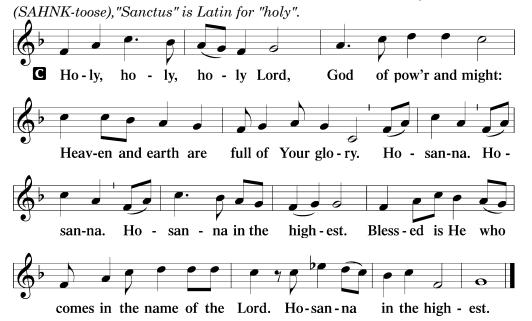
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.



- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
 - Our Father who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done on earth
 as it is in heaven;
 give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For Thine is the kingdom
 and the power and the glory
 forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini John 20:19 163

(PAKS DOH-mee-nee), Latin for "peace of the Lord" (John 20:19).

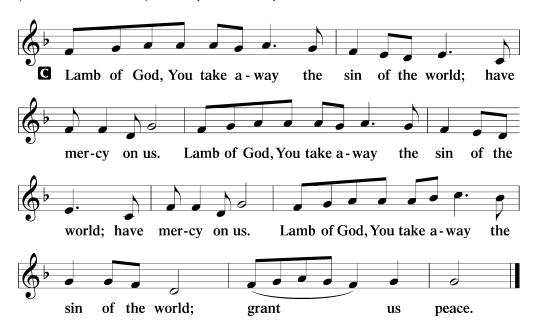
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Agnus Dei John 1:29 LSB 163

(AHG-noose DAY-ee). Latin for "Lamb of God."



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Distribution

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the One who makes us one.



Praise

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praise

the true Re - deem - er,





And let Your king-dom flour - ish; Con-vince, con - vert, en - light - en Pro - tect what You have cho - sen The mir-ror of Your glo-ry, As - sailed by wind and weath - er,

En - large Your Church, we pray. er - ror's night. The souls in hell - ish flood. A - gainst the The pow'r that saves the soul. May it en - dure each shock.



0 keep our faith from fail - ing; Keep hope's bright star a - glow. Re - veal Your will, dear Sav - ior, To all who dwell be - low, al - ways our de - fend - er When dan - gers gath - er round; Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, This of heav'n-ly dew grace, Stand at the helm, our pi - lot, And set the course a - right;



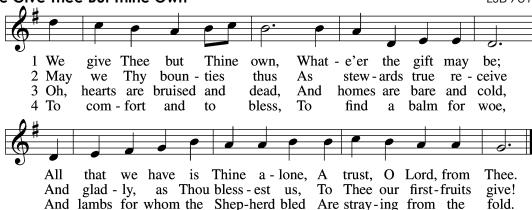
noth-ing from truth While liv - ing here be - low. Let turn us That all Your name may know. Great light of all the liv - ing, crum-bling, Safe may Your Church be found. When all the earth is liv - ing Un - til we Sus - tain us while here see Your face. Then we will reach the har - bor In Your e - ter - nal light.

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The captive to release,To God the lost to bring,To teach the way of life and peace,It is a Christ-like thing.

To

6 And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.

an-gels' work be - low.

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- 1 Hail to the Lord's a noint ed, Great Da vid's great er Son!
- 2 He comes with res cue speed y To those who suf fer wrong, 3 He shall come down like show ers Up on the fruit ful earth;
- 4 Kings shall fall down be fore Him And gold and in cense bring;
- 5 O'er ev 'ry foe vic to rious, He on His throne shall rest,



Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun! To help the poor and need - y And bid the weak be strong; Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, Spring in His path to birth. All na-tions shall a - dore Him, His praise all peo - ple sing. From age to age more glo - rious, All bless-ing and all - blest.



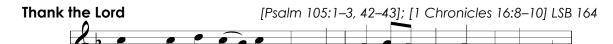
He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the cap - tive free, To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light, Be - fore Him on the moun-tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go; To Him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend; The tide of time shall nev - er His cov - e - nant re - move;



To take a - way trans-gres-sion And rule in eq - ui - ty. Whose souls, con-demned and dy - ing, Were pre-cious in And righ-teous - ness in foun-tains From hill to val - ley flow. His king-dom still in - creas-ing, A king-dom with - out end.

His name shall stand for - ev - er— That name to us is Love.





C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benediction Numbers 6:24–26 166

A final blessing from God this morning before we leave.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



Sit



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- 1 God has spo-ken by His proph-ets, Spo-ken His un-chang-ing Word;
- 2 God has spo-ken by Christ Je sus, Christ, the ev-er last ing Son,
- 3 God is speak-ing by His Spir it, Speak-ing to our hearts a gain,



Each from age to age pro-claim-ing God, the one, the righ-teous Lord. Bright-ness of the Fa-ther's glo-ry, With the Fa-ther ev-er one; In the age-less Word de-clar-ing His own mes-sage, now as then.



In the world's de-spair and tur-moil, One firm an - chor holds us fast: Spo - ken by the Word In - car-nate, God of God, be - fore time was; Through the rise and fall of na-tions One sure faith yet stand-ing fast;



God is king, His throne e - ter - nal; God the first, and God the last. Light of Light, to earth de-scend-ing, He re-veals our God to us. God a - bides, His Word un-chang-ing; God the first, and God the last.

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Acknowledgments

-- Week at a Glance --

Sunday January 23rd	9:15 am 3:00 pm 4:15 pm 5:00 pm	Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (adults & children) Jr. Youth (4th-5th grades) Middle School Youth (6th-8th grades) High School Youth (9th-12th grades) College/Young Adult Group (ages 18-25) National Lutheran Schools Week
Monday January 24th		National Lutheran Schools Week
Tuesday January 25th	9:00 am	LWML Work Day National Lutheran Schools Week
Wednesday January 26th	5:30 pm	Confirmation WWF Choir Practice National Lutheran Schools Week
Thursday January 27 th	•	Chair Aerobics Pastor's Bible Class National Lutheran Schools Week
Friday January 28th	5:00 pm	TLS Chili Supper National Lutheran Schools Week
Saturday January 29th		Women's Monthly Bible Study Men's Bible Study (Zoom) National Lutheran Schools Week
Sunday January 30th	9:15 am	Worship Service w/ Communion Sunday School (adults & children) Movie Day

Celebrating

Birthdays: Jessica D., Kellan G., Cody K. (23rd); Darin H., Stephanie M. (26th); Danny E.

(28th); Dalton N. (29th); Arlyce A. (30th)

Baptism Birthdays: John H. (28th); Cindy F. (29th); Mike S. (30th)

Anniversaries: (none this week)

-- Announcements --

Adult Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Journey through Genesis with Pastor Ben – Schemm Family Life Center (Gym) God's Word for Today: Acts – Basement A Walk Through the Bible (Women's Group) – Pastor's Office

Children/Youth Sunday School Hour (9:15 am)

Children (Pre-K through 6^{th} grade) — Upstairs Education Wing Youth (7^{th} - 12^{th} grades) — Basement Youth Room

Pastor's Midweek Bible Study

The Epistles – Thursday at 7 PM – Basement This class does NOT meet on the first Thursday of the month.

<u>Women's Monthly Bible Study – Rescheduled Date</u>

Please note that our date for this month is now Saturday, Jan. 29th at 9:30 AM.

Movie Day

All are welcome to join us in the gym on Sunday, January 30th at 2 PM for an afternoon movie! We will be watching *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2*. If you would like something other than folding chairs, please bring that with you. Snacks will be provided.

<u>Service Project – Fleece Tie Blankets for Topeka Rescue Mission</u>

We had so much fun with this project that we're offering it again! Join us for WWF on Wednesday, Feb. 2nd. We'll have a potluck dinner at 5:30 PM. After you're done eating, you can work on fleece tie blankets that will be donated to TRM. All are welcome – no sewing skills necessary. (If you can tie your shoes, you can tie a blanket!)

<u>Service Project – Valentines Cards for Shut-Ins</u>

Join us in the gym on Sunday, Feb. 13th from 1:00 to 2:30 PM. We'll be making Valentines to send to our homebound members, as well as residents of local nursing homes. All ages are welcome!

Muffins for Missions

Calling all bakers! The Board of Evangelism is hosting a "Muffins for Missions" bake sale on Sunday, February 13th. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the coffee lobby if you would like to donate muffins or other baked goods. These treats will be for sale in the coffee lobby before and after both services that morning. All proceeds from the bake sale will go toward grocery and gas gift cards for those in need.

-- Announcements --

Kansas District Life Conference – Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022, 9 AM to 3 PM

We invite you to join us for the fourth annual Kansas District Life Conference at St. John's (901 SW Fillmore). There is no registration fee, but boxed lunches will be available for \$10 each. The keynote presentation, "A Time to Speak," will be presented in the morning by Rev. Dr. Jim Lamb, life advocate at Lutheran Family Service of Iowa. Deaconess Tiffany Manor, director of LCMS Life Ministry, will speak to the group in the afternoon, after the Rally for Life in downtown Topeka. For more information and registration, go to www.kslcms.org/presidents-office.

National Lutheran Schools Week

From January $23^{\rm rd}$ through $29^{\rm th}$ we celebrate National Lutheran Schools week. We thank God for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families through Topeka Lutheran School, The Center for Young Children, and over 1,800 other LCMS preschools, elementary schools, and high schools.

TLS Chili Feed

The tradition is back! Topeka Lutheran School will hold their annual Chili Feed on Friday, Jan. 28th from 5 to 7 PM. Families, friends, community members, and supporters of TLS are all invited to enjoy a student art show, auction, raffle, and great food!

TLS PTL is looking for donations and volunteers for the upcoming event – please consider donating supplies and/or your time. Sign up online at christlcms.org, or call the church office if you need assistance. (Even on the food donations, the sign-up is important – it helps make sure that we get the correct quantities on each item.) Donated food may be dropped off at the church office – please bring donations no later than January $24^{\rm th}$. Contact Rachel Micheel with any questions. Thank you for supporting Topeka Lutheran School!

TLS Enrollment Night

All current and prospective TLS families are encouraged to attend Enrollment Night for the 2022-2023 school year. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17 at 7 PM in the TLS gym. At this meeting, you will receive information about the next school year and upcoming changes as well as sign your congregational covenant. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Lost & Found

Did you bring your crockpot or slow cooker to one of our potlucks last summer or fall? Jamie H. realized that the lid she brought home does not match her crockpot! Please check your lid – if you have one that doesn't match your cooker, please bring it to church. The lid she mistakenly brought home has been returned to our kitchen.

-- Announcements --

Mask Information

Face masks are still optional throughout the church building. Disposable masks are available at all church entrances for those who would like one. Children's size masks are located by the main entrance. Reusable cloth masks are available by the church office. For more information regarding masking, please visit www.cdc.gov.

Remembered in our Prayers

Charlie P., Alice M., Luke H., Julie J., Don L., Jerry M., Jean B. (sister Pauline C.'s sister), Judy (Colleen B.'s neighbor), Noel (Colleen B.'s brother), Kathy (Brenda Z.'s sister-in-law), Shirley (Frank J.'s grandmother), Melanie (Sharon L.'s daughter), Ella (Marsha S.'s granddaughter), Jeanette W., Lisa (Judy K.'s sister), Randy (Carol J.'s son), Steve (Rachel M.'s father), Vikki N., Matt N., Lynn M., Virginia C., Leonard (brother of Jeanette B.), JoAnn (friend of Nancy P.), Evelyn (mother of Sandy S.), Marjean P., Ted M., Adam (Jamie H.'s son), Carolyn S., Caleb (Dana N.'s nephew), Robert P., Jen (Donna B.'s niece), Walt M., Kim S., Carlie G., Julie (Bessie T.'s aunt), Janene (Bessie T.'s cousin), Jeff (Bessie T.'s friend's brother), and others named in your heart. Pray for the Topeka Rescue Mission, Chelsea Irwin and missionaries around the world. We pray especially for those around the world being persecuted for their faith in the one, true God and the suffering they endure. Please continue to pray for Pastor Ben, DCE Amanda, our staff and their families as they do our Lord's work here at Christ Lutheran. We pray for the staff and students of Topeka Lutheran School and the Center for Young Children. We also pray for those who serve in the armed forces, first responders, and for our country and government. Prayers of thanksgiving for our Lord and Savior and the new life we have in Him.



TOPEKA LUTHERAN PRESENTS

2022 CHILI FEED

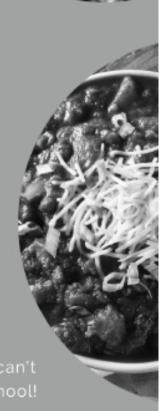
JANUARY 28, 2022 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Chili Baked Potatoes Hot Dogs & Brats Cinnamon Rolls

Auction & Raffle Student Art Show

We invite families, friends, commuity members and supporters of TLS. We can't wait to welcome everyone back to school!

THE TRADITION IS BACK!
BRING THE ENTIRE FAMILY!



The Lord Is Manifested as Our Savior through the Preaching of the Gospel

When Jesus opens His mouth to preach, gracious words flow from His lips. The Scriptures are, indeed, fulfilled in your hearing (Luke 4:21–22). For Christ was anointed by the Spirit of the Lord "to proclaim good news to the poor," "to proclaim liberty to the captives" and "to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor" (Luke 4:18–19). By this proclamation, Christ releases His people from captivity and gathers them to Himself in His Church. So it was when the Lord released His people from Babylon and returned them to Jerusalem. "Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people," sanctified the whole congregation by the reading and preaching of the Law (Neh. 8:8–9). As the people then were urged to "eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready" (Neh. 8:10), so are you anointed by the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ to share in His feast and to serve the fellow members of His Body with His good gifts, "giving greater honor to the part that lacked it" (1 Cor. 12:12, 24).

Worship Attendance - Sunday, January 16th

8:00 AM -- 59 10:30 AM -- 56

Stewardship Corner

Budgeted Weekly Needs:	\$ 8,337
Offerings Received – Week of 1/16	\$ 7,171
Budgeted Needs (Jan – Dec. 2021)	\$409,704
Offerings Received (Jan – Dec. 2021)	\$405,050

1 Corinthians 12:16 – "And if the ear should say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body." The Lord has called each of us individually and given each of us unique gifts. He has made our whole lives holy in our Baptism and has called us to a life together in the Church, His body. You are a part of that body, and that body needs you and the gifts the Lord has given you. This is your holy calling from the Lord.