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Lutheran Church

Second Sunday in Lent



The Way of Lent is a Way of Suffering and Salvation



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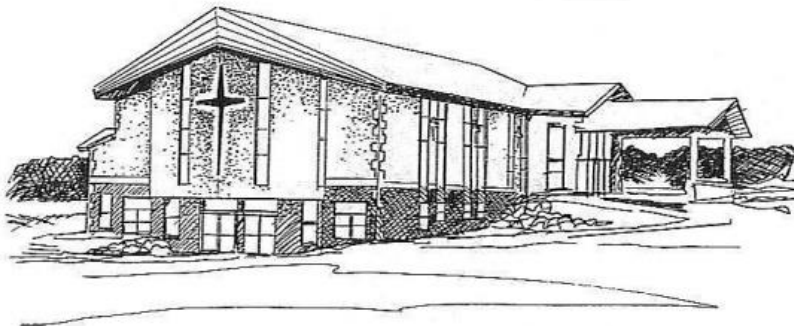
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”
Psalm 122:1**



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February 28, 2021

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN (CW 111)

Sweet the Moments, Rich in Blessing



1 Sweet the mo - ments, rich in bless - ing, Which be -
2 Here we rest in won - der, view - ing All our
3 Here we find the dawn of heav - en While up -
4 Oh, that, near the cross a - bid - ing, We may
5 Lord, in lov - ing con - tem - pla - tion Fix our



fore the cross we spend, Life and health and peace pos -
sins on Je - sus laid; Here we see re - demp - tion
on the cross we gaze, See our tres - pass - es for -
to the Sav - ior cleave, Naught with him our hearts di -
hearts and eyes on you Till we taste your full sal -



sess - ing From the sin - ner's dy - ing friend.
flow - ing From the sac - ri - fice he made.
giv - en, And our songs of tri - umph raise.
vid - ing, All for him con - tent to leave!
va - tion And your un - veiled glo - ry view.

Text: Walter Shirley, 1725-86, alt.

Tune: RINGE RECHT (87 87) *Erbaulicher Musicalischer Christen-Schatz*, Basel, 1745, alt.

STAND

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

GLORY BE TO GOD

During Advent and Lent the Gloria in Excelsis is omitted.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED





THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 28:10–17

¹⁰Jacob set out from Beersheba and traveled toward Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and decided to spend the night there, because the sun had set. He took one of the stones from that place, put it under his head, and lay down to sleep in that place. ¹²He had a dream in which he saw a stairway set up on the earth with its top reaching to heaven. There were angels of God ascending and descending on it. ¹³There at the top stood the LORD, who said, “I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. The land on which you are lying, I give to you and to your descendants. ¹⁴Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south. In you and in your seed all the families of the earth will be blessed. ¹⁵Now, I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back again into this land. Indeed, I will not leave you, until I have done what I have promised to you.”

¹⁶Jacob woke up from his sleep, and he said, “Certainly the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it.” ¹⁷He was afraid and he said, “How awe-inspiring is this place! This is nothing other than the house of God, and this is the gate to heaven.”



SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:1–11

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we also have obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand. And we rejoice confidently on the basis of our hope for the glory of God.

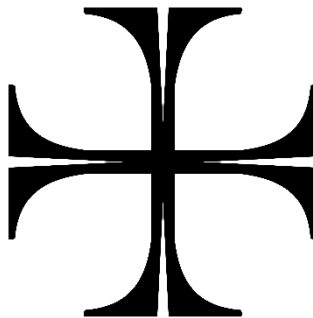
³Not only this, but we also rejoice confidently in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces patient endurance, ⁴and patient endurance produces tested character, and tested character produces hope. ⁵And hope will not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who was given to us.

⁶For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. ⁸But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹Therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, it is even more certain that we will be saved from God's wrath through him. ¹⁰For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, it is even more certain that, since we have been reconciled, we will be saved by his life. ¹¹And not only is this so, but we also go on rejoicing confidently in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received this reconciliation.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. (Philippians 2:8)



STAND

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

**who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

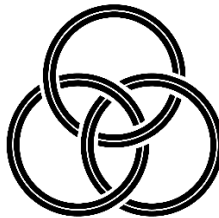
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BE SEATED



HYMN (CW 434)

Lord, You I Love with All My Heart



1 Lord, you I love with all my heart; I pray you ne'er from
 2 Lord God, 'twas your rich boun-ty gave My bod - y, soul, and
 3 Lord, let at last your an - gels come; To A - bram's bos - om



me de - part; With ten - der mer - cies cheer me. Earth has no
 all I have In this poor life of la - bor. Lord, grant that
 bear me home That I may die un - fear - ing. And in its



plea - sure I would share; Heav - en it - self were void and bare
 I in ev - 'ry place May glo - ri - fy your lav - ish grace
 nar - row cham - ber keep My bod - y safe in peace - ful sleep



If you, Lord, were not near me. And should my heart for
 And serve and help my neigh - bor. Let no false doc - trine
 Un - til your re - ap - pear - ing. And then from death a -



sor - row break, My trust in you no one could shake.
 me be - guile; Let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.
 wak - en me That my own eyes with joy may see,



You are the trea - sure I have sought; Your pre - cious blood my
 Give strength and pa - tience un - to me To bear my cross - es
 O Son of God, your glo - rious face, My Sav - ior and my



soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, My God and Lord,
 will - ing - ly. Lord Je - sus Christ, My God and Lord,
 Fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, My prayer at - tend,



my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust your Word.
 my God and Lord, For - sake me not! I trust your Word.
 my prayer at - tend, And I will praise you with - out end.

³¹Jesus began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things; be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the experts in the law; be killed; and after three days rise again. ³²He was speaking plainly to them. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But after turning around and looking at his disciples, Jesus rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! You do not have your mind set on the things of God, but the things of men.”

³⁴He called the crowd and his disciples together and said to them, “If anyone wants to follow me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. ³⁵For whoever wants to save his life will lose it. But whoever loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶After all, what good is it for a man to gain the whole world and yet forfeit his soul? ³⁷Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul? ³⁸In fact, whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will also be ashamed of him when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Deadly and Necessary Cross

STAND

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

BE SEATED

RECEPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: O Lord, in these Lenten days set our minds on your things rather than the things of man, that we may deny ourselves, take up our crosses and follow your Son through this life into the joys of his resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, you have given your Church the joy of proclaiming the truth that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us so that we might be justified by his blood and saved from your wrath over our sins. Grant all pastors the gifts of your Spirit to preach and teach this truth boldly and faithfully, and help us to confess it in word and deed in our daily lives. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, keep us from being ashamed of the Son of Man when we face persecution for his name in this world, that he may not be ashamed of us when he comes in your glory with the angels. Be near to all those who are facing martyrdom for Christ and sustain them unto the end, that they may be crowned with life before you. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, since all kingship belongs to you and you rule over the nations, we pray that you would bless Joe Biden and all those who govern us in your stead, that we may be ruled wisely and in accord with your will. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, through your Holy Spirit pour your love into the hearts of [_____ and] all those who suffer in our midst, that their sufferings may produce endurance, endurance character and character a hope that will not put them to shame. Grant them health and healing in accord with your perfect will, and sustain them in all their trials. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, at your table the afflicted eat the body and blood of your Son and are satisfied. Through our afflictions, deepen our hunger for this table, that we may eat and drink and be satisfied by Christ's saving life. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, as we remember with thanksgiving the multitude of nations that rejoice in heaven before you with their father Abraham, we pray that you would sustain us in that same justifying faith, that as his offspring we may share in the everlasting covenant you made with him. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

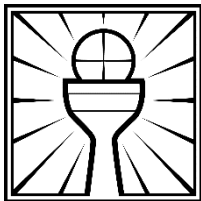
M: All these things and whatever else you know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

*The recorded service for members at home concludes here.
We continue with the sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.*



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."


M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei




C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

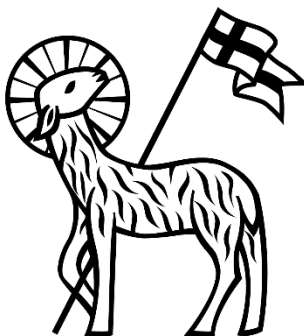


O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

BE SEATED



DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 113)

Upon the Cross Extended



1 Up - on the cross ex - tend - ed, See, world, your Lord sus -
2 How God at our trans - gres - sion To an - ger gives ex -
3 'Tis I who should be smit - ten, My doom should here be
4 A crown of thorns you're wear - ing, My shame and scorn you're
5 Your cords of love, my Sav - ior, Bind me to you for -



pend - ed; Your Sav - ior yields his breath. The Prince of
pres - sion, How loud his thun - ders roll, How fear - ful -
writ - ten: Bound hand and foot in hell. The fet - ters
bear - ing That I might ran - somed be. My bonds - man,
ev - er; I am no long - er mine. To you I



life from heav - en Him - self has free - ly giv - en
ly he smites him, How sore - ly he re - quites him—
and the scourg - ing, The floods a - round you surg - ing,
ev - er will - ing, My place with pa - tience fill - ing,
glad - ly ten - der All that my life can ren - der



To shame and blows and bit - ter death.
All this your suf - f'rings teach my soul.
'Tis I who have de - served them well.
From sin and guilt has made me free.
And all I have to you re - sign.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. John Kelly, 1833–90, alt.
Tune: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN (776 778) Heinrich Isaac, c. 1450–1517, alt.

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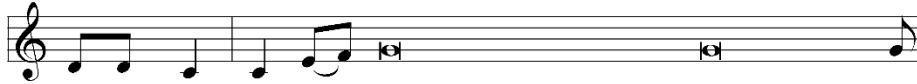
STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

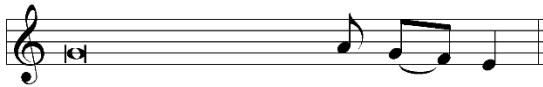


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN (CW 453) **Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke** (st. 5)

**5 Then let us follow Christ our Lord
And take the cross appointed
And, firmly clinging to his Word,
In suff'ring be undaunted.
For those who bear the battle's strain
The crown of heav'nly life obtain.**

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–77, abr., st.; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813–96, alt.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Welcome to Lord of Love: Today in the 9:00 service we welcome into membership **Jean Dragon**. Jean and his wife, Rachelle, have recently moved to DeForest from Muscatine, IA. He joins our congregation by profession of faith. Please give a warm welcome to Jean as he joins our church family.

Sunday February 28: 2nd Sunday in Lent

The Family Altar Devotion, 8:00 am

Private Communion 8:00 – 8:30 am (*Please sign up prior.*)

Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion (*Please sign up prior.*)

At-Home Sunday School #11: The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant. Matthew 18, 21-35.

- Preaching Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilmen/elder: Dave Olson (9:00) and Greg Zeman (10:30)
- Ushers: Ben Olson (9:00 am) & Mark Heath (10:30 am)
- Altar Guild: S. Kaalberg/S. Pribbenow
- Presiding Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

Wednesday March 3: Lent Worship - Services at 12:30 and 6:30 pm

- Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund (6:30)
- Usher: *TBA* (6:30)
- Recording: Jen Olson

Sunday March 7: 3rd Sunday in Lent

The Family Altar Devotion, 8:00 am

Private Communion 8:00 – 8:30 am (*Please sign up prior.*)

Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion (*Please sign up prior.*)

At-Home Sunday School #12: Jesus and the Ten Men with Leprosy. Luke 17:11-19.

- Preaching Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilmen: Mike Wilson (9:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers: *TBA* (9:00 am) & *TBA* (10:30 am)
- Altar Guild: Mandi Miller
- Presiding Pastor: Michael Willitz
- A/V & Recording: *TBA*

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Violet Kuecker (2/28), Tom Lange (2/28), Alex Roberts (3/1), June Thayer (3/3), Kevin Zech (3/3), Shari Minnameier (3/4), Kelly Plumb (3/5) and Haley Beyer (3/6) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Jack Richardson and Marge Ripp who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Wednesday Lent Worship

March 3, 10, 17 & 24

12:30 and 6:30 pm

*The
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of
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We are Building!



On February 21, the voters approved to start construction on an elevator and building addition at Lord of Love Lutheran.

This addition has been in the works for many years and has been driven by our need for an elevator. This new elevator will allow members and guests who are in wheelchairs to access all areas of our building without difficulty.

The contract will be signed with Advanced Building Corporation this Thursday March 4. We hope to break ground in April or early May.

The final building plans are completed and ready to be reviewed. A printed copy is located at church on the tall round table in the fellowship area. Feel free to look through them.

There is one change to the plans. Originally, it was believed that a small raised roofline would be needed above the elevator shaft. Final plans and reviews by the engineer indicate that there is sufficient clearance for the elevator structure to avoid the raised roof.

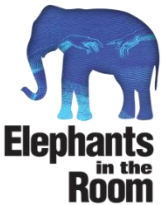
To see more drawings and plans, go to our website www.lordoflovelutheran.org
We will continually add photos and write-ups as the project progresses.

This week . . .

At-Home Sunday School – February 28

Lesson #11: The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant. Matthew 18:21-35

Student lessons and instructional videos are available for all children 4 years through 6th grade. Lesson materials are located at the back of church. Each Friday, video lessons become available for the following week at <https://online.nph.net/ss-at-home>. **The new materials for the spring quarter have been ordered and should arrive this week.**



Tuesday Bible Study at 9:00 am. Topic: Elephants in the Room

Theistic evolution verses the message of scripture. The group meets downstairs and social distancing guidelines are followed. The group is casual and discussion is encouraged. Coffee is served.

Friday Breakfast/Bible Study at 6:00 am. Topic: Acts

The group meets each Friday morning at the DeForest Family Restaurant. (505 W. North Street, DeForest) Breakfast is at 6:00 am with the study starting at approx. 6:50 am.

