



**LORD of LOVE**  
*Lutheran Church*

## **Third Sunday after Epiphany**



**Called to be Fishers of Men**



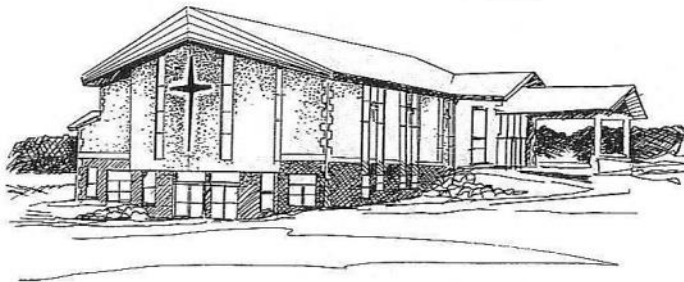
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,  
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”  
Psalm 122:1**



*Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament.  
Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.*

# Lord of Love Lutheran Church

January 21, 2024

## DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING SONG (Quintet)

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

*The hymn is printed below so you can follow  
and meditate upon the text as the quintet sings the anthem.*

Jesus, Lover of my soul,  
Let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters flow,  
While the tempest still is high;  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,  
Till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide,  
O receive my soul at last.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;  
More than all in Thee I find;  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,  
Heal the sick, and lead the blind!  
Just and holy is Thy name,  
I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am,  
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found,  
Grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound,  
Make and keep me pure within;  
Thou of life the fountain art,  
Freely let me take of Thee;  
Spring Thou up within my heart!  
Rise to all eternity!

*STAND*

## **INVOCATION**

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **CONFESSION**

**M:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C:** **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.  
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,  
For sins of habit and sins of choice,  
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,  
You should cast me away from your presence forever.  
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

**M:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

**LORD, HAVE MERCY**

*Mark 10:47*

*Kyrie*

**M:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**M:** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: Christ, have mercy.**

**M:** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**M:** Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

**C: Amen.**

# GLORY BE TO GOD

*Gloria in Excelsis*

Tune: VON HIMMEL HOCH



1 All glo - ry be to God on high!  
2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,  
3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
4 You, Christ, are ho - ly— Lord a - lone;



Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;  
For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,  
You take all hu - man sin a - way.  
The Fath - er's glo - ry you made known.



We praise you for your peace and grace,  
For all, O Fath - er, you have done  
Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;  
We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:



Your fav - or toward our fal - len race.  
Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.  
From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.  
"All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

## THE WORD

### SALUTATION

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we too may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

*BE SEATED*

### FIRST LESSON

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

*Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: <sup>2</sup> “Get up. Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you.”*

*<sup>3</sup> So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh just as the word of the LORD had commanded. Now Nineveh was a great city to God. It required a three-day walk.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>4</sup> Jonah walked through the city for a day, and he called out, “Forty more days and Nineveh is going to be overthrown!” <sup>5</sup> The men of Nineveh believed God. They proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least.*

*<sup>10</sup> When God saw their actions, that they had turned from their evil way, God relented from the disaster which he said he would bring on them, and he did not carry it out.*

*Refrain*



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.

*Psalm tone*



My soul finds rest in God alone;\*  
my salvation comes from him.

He alone is my rock and my salvation;\*  
he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone;\*  
my hope comes from him.

*Refrain*

Though your riches increase,\*  
do not set your heart on them.

My salvation and my honor depend on God;\*  
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

Trust in him at all times, O people;\*  
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

**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.**

*Refrain*



## VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. Alleluia. (Matthew 4:23 cf. NIV)

## GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:14-20

*<sup>14</sup> After John was put in prison, Jesus went to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God. <sup>15</sup> “The time is fulfilled,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near! Repent, and believe in the gospel.” <sup>16</sup> As Jesus was going along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, since they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to them, “Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” <sup>18</sup> Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup> Going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup> Immediately Jesus called them. They left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY (CW 560)

**I Hear the Savior Calling**  
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## SERMON

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

*<sup>14</sup> For the love of Christ compels us, because we came to this conclusion: One died for all; therefore, all died. <sup>15</sup> And he died for all, so that those who live would no longer live for themselves but for him, who died in their place and was raised again.*

*<sup>16</sup> As a result, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we knew Christ according to the flesh, we no longer know him that way. <sup>17</sup> So then, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away. The new has come! <sup>18</sup> And all these things are from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. <sup>19</sup> That is, God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them. And he has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation. <sup>20</sup> Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, inasmuch as God is making an appeal through us. We urge you, on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> God made him, who did not know sin, to become sin for us, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.*

## Compelling Love

## I Hear the Savior Calling



1 I hear the Sav - ior call - ing! The gos - pel comes to  
 2 I hear the Sav - ior call - ing! He leads a soul to  
 3 I hear the Sav - ior call - ing! He gives this charge to  
 4 I hear the Sav - ior call - ing! He chang - es hearts for  
 5 I hear the Sav - ior call - ing! His call has ur - gen -



me. My eyes once closed in blind - ness Are o - pened  
 me, A soul in bit - ter an - guish, One need - ing  
 me: To serve the best I'm a - ble, What - e'er the  
 me. From door to door I wit - ness To share my  
 cy! Each mo - ment souls are dy - ing; Soon comes e -



now to see That I my - self was help - less To  
 to be free. The gift I have to of - fer Is  
 call may be. Thus hand in hand with oth - ers Who  
 Sav - ior's plea; Yet noth - ing can be add - ed, No  
 ter - ni - ty. And so, my pre - cious Sav - ior, This



live e - ter - nal - ly, But, dy - ing, Christ did  
 Christ, my Lord's de - cree That all have been for -  
 share the gos - pel key We spread the gos - pel  
 word on bend - ed knee, Be - yond the sim - ple  
 is my hum - ble plea: Pre - pare me for my



save me, And now he calls for me!  
 giv - en— My Sav - ior calls for me!  
 tid - ings— My Sav - ior calls for me!  
 gos - pel— My Sav - ior calls for me!  
 mis - sion For you are call - ing me!

*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*

## **OFFERING**

*During the gathering of the thank-offering, please sign and pass  
the Friendship Register. Thank you!*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, heavenly Father, you desire not the death of a sinner but that all would repent and believe the Gospel. In the epiphany of your Son, your time of salvation and your kingdom have come near. As this world passes away, give faithfulness and urgency to your Church to proclaim the Gospel of our God to all people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of the harvest, as you called Simon Peter and Andrew, James and John to follow you and made them fishers of men, so send faithful preachers of your Gospel in our time. Increase the spirit of generosity to all who support the missionaries, seminaries, colleges and other institutions of our Church for the spread of the Gospel and the service of God's people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal Lord, in view of every current distress as the present form of this world passes away, give constancy and contentment to your people in their God-given stations. Give comfort and faithfulness to the married, and strengthen them to pass on the faith to the next generation. Show kindness also to the unmarried and assure them of the holiness of their place in life, that they would be freed from anxiety and attend to holiness in body and spirit, undividedly devoted to you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful Father, turn us from every distracting anxiety and the dealings of this world that would draw our hearts away from your blessed Gospel and its end, eternal life. Give us confidence in the resurrection and the peace of a clean conscience by the forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name. Graciously behold and help those for whom we pray [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_]. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, in your Holy Sacrament you deliver the Gospel proclaimed by your Son and won by his death in his true body and blood. Work repentance and faith in all who commune, and unite them in a sincere confession of your divine truth at this altar. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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. **Amen.**

# THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them up 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 came as the Light of the world so that the world may have light and life through him.

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*

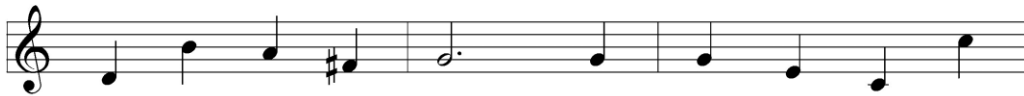
Tune: LANCASHIRE



1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow'r and  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly blest is



might, Your glo - ry, earth and heav - en In  
he Who in God's name is com - ing To



count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and  
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -



save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And in your  
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De - liv - er



grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
us from bond - age— Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**M:** Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**C:** Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**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.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Matthew 26:26-28*  
*1 Corinthians 11:24,25*

**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:** Amen.

# LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29

## *Agnus Dei*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



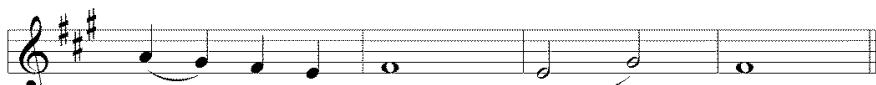
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world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men.

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## DISTRIBUTION

*Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.*



## DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 85)

## O God from God, O Light from Light



1 O God from God, O Light from Light, O Prince of  
 2 Deep in the proph-ets' sa-cred page, Grand in the  
 3 That life of truth, those deeds of love, That death of  
 4 Sing to the Lord a might-y song; Sing to his



Peace and King of kings, To you in heav-en's  
 po-ets' wing-ed word, Slow-ly, in type, from  
 pain mid hate and scorn—These all are past, and  
 name, his glo-ries tell! Sing, heav'n-ly hosts, your



glo-ry bright The song of praise for-ev-er rings.  
 age to age The na-tions saw their com-ing Lord;  
 now a-bove He reigns, our King once crowned with thorn;  
 praise pro-long, And all on earth, your an-them swell!



To him who sits up-on the throne, The Lamb once  
 Till through the deep Ju-de-an night Rang out the  
 Lift up your heads, O might-y gates! So sang the  
 Wor-thy the Lamb for sin-ners slain! For-ev-er



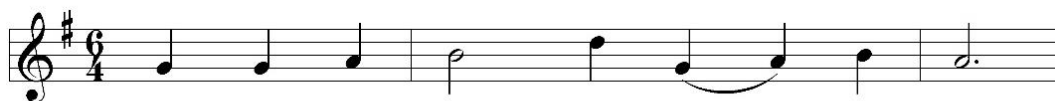
slain but raised a-gain, Be all the glo-ry  
 song, "Good will to men!" Sung by heav'n's hosts in  
 an-gel hosts a-gain. Lift up your heads—your  
 let the song as-cend! Wor-thy the Lamb en-



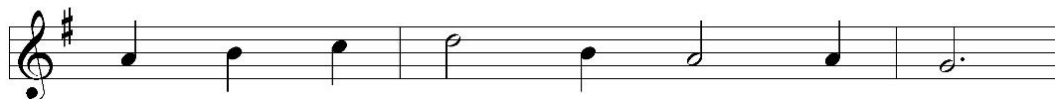
he has won, All thanks and praise! A-men, A-men.  
 splen-dor bright, Re-ech-oed now, "Good will!" A-men.  
 King a-waits. We lift them up, A-men, A-men.  
 throned to reign; Glo-ry and pow'r! A-men, A-men.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 569)

O Christ, Our True and Only Light



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light,  
 2 Fill with the ra - diance of your grace  
 3 Oh, gent - ly call those gone a - stray  
 4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold;  
 5 That they with us may ev - er - more



En - light - en those who sit in night;  
 The souls now lost in er - ror's maze  
 That they may find the sav - ing way!  
 Re - call the wan - d'ers to your fold.  
 Such grace with won - d'ring thanks a - dore



Let those a - far now hear your voice  
 And all whom in their se - cret minds  
 Let ev - 'ry con - science sore op - pressed  
 U - nite all those who walk a - part;  
 And end - less praise to you be giv'n



And in your fold with us re - joice.  
 Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.  
 In you find peace and heav'n - ly rest.  
 Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart  
 By all your Church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: O JESU CHRIST, WAHRES LICHT (LM) *Andächtige Haus-Kirche*, Nürnberg, 1676, alt.

STAND

# SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32

Nunc Dimittis

Tune: ANGEL'S STORY

1 O Lord, now let your serv - ant De - part in peace,  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All glo - ry to  
as - sured: For I have seen your prom - ised In -  
the Son, All glo - ry to the Spir - it, For -  
car - nate, sav - ing Word— A Light that will en -  
ev - er three in one; For as in the be -  
light - en All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; The bril - liant,  
gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une  
crown - ing glo - ry Of those in Is - ra - el!  
name re - sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**M:** We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

## BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

**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.

**C:** Amen.

*BE SEATED*

## CLOSING HYMN (CW 556)

## Rise, Shine, You People



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has  
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil  
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un -  
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent his Son to



en - tered Our hu - man sto - ry; God in  
reel - ing; He brings us free - dom, light and  
furl - ing, Your songs and prayers a - gainst the  
save us. Tell of the Son, who life and



him is cen - tered. He comes to us, by death  
life and heal - ing. All men and wom - en, who  
dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the world go out  
free - dom gave us. Tell how the Spir - it calls



and sin sur - round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.  
by guilt are driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.  
and tell the sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
from ev - 'ry na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

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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.

**Gluten Free communion wafers:** Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

## Weekly Bible Studies

**Sunday 9:15 am: Baptism, *sanctuary***

**Tuesday 9:00 am: The Gospel of John, *downstairs***

**Wednesday 6:30 pm: Stress and Anxiety, *downstairs***

**Friday 6:00 am** (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45): **Matthew**  
*DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)*

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**January Food Drive:** Throughout the month of January, we will be collecting non-perishable food items and personal care items, for the DeForest/Windsor Food Pantry. Donations can be placed in the collection bin as you enter church.

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**Euchre Card Night January 27, 6:00 pm:** You are invited to a fun evening of playing euchre here at church. If you don't know the game, they will teach you. To attend, sign up at church so they know how many are coming. Bring a beverage of your choice.

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## Quarterly Open Forum and Voter's Meeting

**Sunday January 28**

**Lunch 11:35 am**

*Come join us for lunch and stay for the meeting after.*

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**Sunday January 21: Third Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion**  
**9:15 am: Adult Bible Study, Teen Class and Sunday School**  
*WELS Connection*

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman/elder: 8:00 Ryan Jaeger, 10:30: Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers 8:00: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Ushers 10:30: Joshua Hodkiewicz and *volunteer*
- Counters: Donna Cotter and Sharon Kalscheuer
- Altar Guild: Ava Ehlenbach and Karie Ehlenbach
- A/V & Recording: Jen Olson
- Refreshments: The Stachowiak Family

**Sunday January 28: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion**

**9:15 am: Adult Bible study, Teen class and Sunday school**

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: 8:00 Jim Miller, 10:30 Phil Boll
- Ushers 8:00: Sef Fox, Steven Fox, Ben Olson and Dave Olson
- Ushers 10:30: The Holzman Family
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Altar Guild: Ava Ehlenbach and Karie Ehlenbach
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker
- Refreshments: Jen Olson

**11:35 am:** Lunch followed by open forum and voter's meeting

**Happy Birthday:** We wish God's blessings to Amy Eckelberg (1/23), Matthew Stibb (1/24), Kerri Mallien (1/25), Blake Bradley (1/27) and Dieter Bradley (1/27) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

**In Our Prayers:** Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder and Steve Tobison who are experiencing difficulties.

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

**Offerings December 17 - 23:**

- General Fund: \$13,783
- Mortgage Reduction Fund: \$510
- AV Improvements: \$51

**Offerings December 24 - 31:**

- General Fund: \$16,117
- Mortgage Reduction: \$1,020
- AV Improvements (Wish List): \$20

**Offerings January 1 – 13, 2024:**

- General Fund: \$9,800
- Mortgage Reduction: \$1
- AV Improvements (Wish List): \$70



Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$8,200

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*(December 17 – January 13: In the totals listed above, \$9,907 was given to the general fund and \$141 to AV Improvements through Vanco electronic giving.)*

### **Looking ahead:**

- **January 27:** Euchre Card night, 6:00 pm
- **January 28:** Lunch followed by open forum and voter's meeting, 11:35 am
- **February 14: Ash Wednesday Worship, 12:30 and 6:30 pm.** Potluck dinner 5:30
- **April 14: Confirmation Worship Service, 10:30 am**