



St. John's Lutheran Church

Saved by Grace ~ Led by the Spirit ~ Called to Serve

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Guest Pastor, Rev. George Carlson

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 20, 2022

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

*We welcome Rev. George Carlson today,
as he leads us in worship*

IN-PERSON

5pm Saturday, 8:30 & 10:30am Sunday.

Worship with us in the renovated Sanctuary. As you arrive for Worship, you'll pick up communion elements before entering the sanctuary. PLEASE SIGN YOURSELF IN for contact tracing, if needed. Thank you for your patience as we gather (safely) for worship and follow the current mask mandate.

ONLINE

Premieres Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

Online worship is available when you cannot attend, or are not comfortable attending, in person. *Sunday's worship service will be recorded, and will be available on our [YouTube channel](#) the following Sunday morning. Look for a link for this option to be emailed to you. You will also find a link on our Facebook page, or you may locate the worship service directly on YouTube.*

TELEVISION St. John's worship service can be viewed on Oregon Public Access channel 983, or TDS channel 1019. The service shown will be from the previous week.



LENT, HOLY WEEK, and EASTER SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday, March 2, 6:30PM

Midweek Lenten Series, Wednesdays

March 9-April 6, 6:30PM

Palm Sunday, April 10, 8:30AM and 10:30AM

Maundy Thursday, April 14, 6:30PM

Good Friday, April 15, 2:00PM and 6:30PM

(No Saturday evening worship)

Easter Sunday, April 17, 8:30AM & 10:30AM

Midweek Lenten Series: Making Change

Change is a constant in our lives. Some changes mark gradual transitions, as when daytime shifts toward twilight or winter turns to spring. Others happen in the blink of an eye, separating time into “before” and “after”. We choose to undergo some changes after carefully considering our options, while others are forced upon us.

In the weeks, days, and hours before Jesus’ crucifixion, the disciples also experienced change: a change of venue as the gates of Jerusalem approached; a change of plans as their long-awaited Messiah was arrested and tried; a change of circumstance as the crowds shouted “Crucify!”

Change is hard. We long for the expected and familiar, but all too often find ourselves in the midst of uncertainty and the unknown. We cannot predict how things will turn out. The hymnwriter Joachim Neander proclaimed God’s steadfast love in the midst of life’s inevitable changes: “All my hope on God is founded who will all my trust renew, who through change and chance will guide me, only good and only true. God unknown, God alone, call my heart to be thine own.” (ELW 757)

Lent Series Overview

Week of Lent 1: Change of Season

“For everything there is a season.” We hear those familiar words telling us that life is full of changes. Jesus’ parables are also filled with images of life transformed. Just as the mustard seed grows into a tree or yeast turns flour into bread, we too are called to be agents of change in the kingdom of God. Christ did not come to earth to maintain the status quo, but rather to usher in a change of season.

Week of Lent 2: Change of Habit

Bad habits are hard to break. The letter to the Galatians urges us to replace them with the fruits of the Spirit. Love, patience, generosity, and self-control are just some of the good habits practiced by those whose foundation is built on Christ.

Week of Lent 3: Change of Circumstances

We move from elementary to middle school, or from our hometown to a new community. We lose a job, or gain a child, or accomplish a goal, or relinquish a dream. Through it all, we learn to give thanks to God in all circumstances.

Week of Lent 4: Change of Heart

Jesus’ words to the Pharisees give us pause: “You honor me with your lips, but your hearts are far from me.” Jesus invites us to experience a change of heart that will in fact change every part of our lives.

Week of Lent 5: Change of Plans

God’s ways are not our own. We expect a conquering king and hero, but Jesus instead leads us down the road to Jerusalem and humbles himself on the cross. God changes our plans and replaces them with a love broader and deeper than anything we could imagine.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Barb Daane for strength as she seeks answers for health issues; *Sue* (sister of Sherryl Cobb) breast cancer, caught early; *Karen Kreul* upcoming surgery

Readings for Today

First Reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Psalms: Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38. 42-50

Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

ALTAR FLOWERS today have been given by Barb Daane in memory of Jim Daane

WELCOME LAMP for February is provided by Fred & Joanne Gladden celebrating loving, open hearts

ETERNAL REST Throughout 2021, several members of St. John's passed away. We wanted to share with you the names of those who've passed. There are two services yet to be.

Joyce Kienast (2/19/2021)

Frieda Bachim (3/7/2021)

Helen Hulett (3/11/2021)

Ann Morris (3/17/2021)

Sally Mueller (4/5/2021)

Richard Knipfer (5/13/2021)

Roger Lawry (7/29/2021)

Allen Riese (11/27/2021)

Norma Jenkins (12/1/2021)

Carol Bakken (12/10/2021)

Robert Deegan (12/19/2021)

Wendall Christensen (12/25/2021)

Patricia Wiczorek (12/28/2021; *Service will be June 20, 2022*)

Rose Laufenberg (12/31/2021)

Dale Malm (12/31/2021)

Fred Sage (12/31/2021; *Service will be March 26, 2022*)

Marilyn Hermanson (2/6/2022)

SWANSON UPDATE

Dear Ministry Partner,

We just returned from interaction with a potential new supporting church in Illinois. We enjoyed meeting new friends who are so vitally interested in the work of Bible translation.

Just want to give you a brief update on our current financial needs. We are happy to report that we have had 2 increases in our monthly giving commitments and welcomed 2 new financial supporters to our team! This all added up to \$80 more per month!

Please continue to pray for...

...the remaining \$698 to come in before March!

...the sell of our home in Ohio, Illinois.

...for Ryan as he figures out his plan for finishing his education.

P.S. We have continued to be blessed by those who have sent in one-time gifts which has brought us up to 99% of our 12-month average (looking back to 2021).

Ed and Melissa Swanson. Wycliffe Bible Translators



HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

- 2/20** Mark Janes, Mary Olson, Diane Staffon
Anna Wangen, Wendy Weihemuller
- 2/21** Doretta Umnuhs, Addison Wamsley
- 2/22** Wanda Ace
- 2/23** Grant Carr, Barb Daane, Daniel Hamm
Wesley Smith, Keith Syvrud
- 2/25** Erin Brakob, Emma Malcore, Ann Starr
Scott Wichmann
- 2/26** Kaeden Kronser



ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- 2/20** Kristie Sharkus
- 2/22** Nick Adler, JoAnn Helgesen, Ava Nindorf
- 2/23** Logan Ladell
- 2/25** Andrew Hill, Cindy Wangen
- 2/26** Carson Nott

If you have any submissions or questions with regards to the Weekly Announcement Bulletin, please contact the office at 608.291.4311, or email info@silserve.net by 4PM each Tuesday.

ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 20

8:30 AM Worship

8:50-9:40 AM Sunday School

9:00 AM Online Worship premiere

9:15 AM Coffee Fellowship

9:30-10:20 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

6:30 PM High School Youth Night

Monday, February 21

1:30 PM Ruth Circle (Fireside)

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 168 (Friendship)

7:30 PM Executive Team Meeting (Fireside)

Tuesday, February 22

Announcement articles deadline by end of day

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Oregon/Brooklyn Food Pantry

Wednesday, February 23

9:00 AM LWR Quilters

6:30 PM - 7:15 PM Chimes of Praise

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Confirmation 7th & 8th Grade

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 24

7:00 PM - 8:45 PM Soulvation Praise Band

Friday, February 25

Church Office is closed

3:30 PM Brownie Troop 8200

Saturday, February 26

5:00 PM Worship

Sunday, February 27

- No Sunday School today -

8:30 AM Worship

9:00 AM Online Worship premiere

9:15 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship



Our Worship Volunteers

SERVING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Altar Care: Marla Byerly, Nell Mittelsteadt, Sandi Linstroth, Brenda Outhouse

Pew Straightener: Shelly Boucher

SERVING THIS WEEK, FEBRUARY 20 & 21

Readers: Dennis Josi (5:00pm)

Ethan Johnson (8:30am)

Theo Kooistra (10:30am)

Ushers: Brenda Outhouse (5:00pm); Val Zibung, Jim & Linda Immenschuh (8:30am); Bonnie Haugen, Carol Wichmann, Chris Hubert (10:30am)

Music: Dennis Josi, Ondra Williams (5:00pm)

Chimes (8:30am); Band (10:30am)

Coffee Fellowship: Open

SERVING NEXT WEEK, FEBRUARY 26 & 27

Readers: Brenda Outhouse (5:00pm)

Paul Braatz (8:30am)

Sheryl Lindmeier (10:30am)

Ushers: Brenda Outhouse (5:00pm)

Phil & Sue Johnson, Jon Fishwild (8:30am)

Michael Nott, Madeline, and Liam (10:30am)

Music: Dennis Josi, Ondra Williams (5:00pm)

Band (8:30am); Choir (10:30am)

Coffee Fellowship: Open

Congregational Leadership & Staff

Guest Pastor: Rev. Roger Black

Director of Worship & Music:

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Church Office Information

Hours: 8AM – 4PM, Monday-Thursday

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St. John's Church Council Officers

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Jon Fishwild, 608.909.2880; Bob Lindmeier, 608.469.6055

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Treasurer: Michael Nott, 608.469.9791

St. John's Social Media

Church Website: StJohnsOregonWI.org

Public Facebook Page: facebook.com/stjohnsoregonwi

Facebook Group for the Members of St. John's:

facebook.com/groups/stjohnsoregonwi

YouTube Channel:

youtube.com/c/stjohnslutheranchurchoregonwi

Twitter: twitter.com/stjohnsoregonwi

Instagram: instagram.com/stjohnsoregonwi

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