



St. John's Lutheran Church

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

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**Guest Pastor, Rev. Roger Black**

**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**February 27, 2022**

**Transfiguration of Our Lord**

### **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

### **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.

**THE SEASON of LENT** Lent is a time of soul-searching and repentance. It prepares us for the remembrance of Christ's death on Good Friday and the celebration of His resurrection on Easter Sunday. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and lasts for 40 days. Since Sundays celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, the six Sundays in Lent are not counted as part of the 40 days, and are referred to as the Sundays in Lent. The 40 days of Lent recall the 40 days Jesus spent alone in the wilderness, after his baptism, without food and being challenged by the devil. Since Lent is a season of penitence, reflection and prayer; worship during this time is more solemn and restrained. The cross is draped in purple. Songs of praise and joy are removed from the liturgy. Even a dried arrangement is placed on the altar instead of fresh flowers. This arrangement not only reminds us of Jesus spending 40 days in the wilderness, but also our Lord Jesus Christ being tempted by the devil to turn stones in to bread to prove that he was the Son of God. The lifeless arrangement also symbolizes that, without Christ, we are spiritually dead. The liturgical color for most of Lent is purple, which symbolizes repentance and somberness. Our paraments are decorated with symbols for the Lenten Season. The Lamb with the cross signifies Christ's suffering and His burden of

bearing all of our sins. The red cloth on the cross symbolizes Christ's blood shed on the cross to save us. The crown of thorns and nails remind us of Jesus on the cross.

The word "Lent" is not in the Bible. It is apparently derived from an ancient word which means "lengthen". It refers to the lengthening of the daylight hours that occur from late winter to early spring. The season of Lent falls during this period of transition.

### **PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

*Barb Daane* health issues; *Sue* (sister of Sherryl Cobb) breast cancer; *Larry* dealing with alcoholism; *Karen Kreul* surgery March 7; *The Family of Beatrice Larsen*, as they mourn her death.

### **Readings for Today**

**First Reading:** Exodus 34:29-35

**Psalm:** Psalm 99

**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 3:12 – 4:2

**Gospel:** Luke 9:28-36

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today have been given by Fred & Joanne Gladden

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



### **ST. JOHN'S BLOOD DRIVE**

**Saturday, March 5**

**7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Call 1.800.RED CROSS – please schedule an appointment to give!

**SANCTUARY CLEANING** Property Team is looking for folks to join them in cleaning the sanctuary on Monday, March 7. We plan to start at 9:00 a.m. Thanks!

# ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

## **Sunday, February 27**

*No Sunday School*

8:30 AM Worship

9:00 AM Online Worship

9:15 AM Coffee Fellowship

9:30 AM Call Team (Fireside)

10:30 AM Worship

## **Monday, February 28**

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 168 (Friendship)

7:00 PM Council Meeting (Fireside)

## **Tuesday, March 1**

*Announcement articles deadline by end of day*

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

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

## **Wednesday, March 2**

9:00 AM LWR Quilters

6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Communion

Worship



## **Thursday, March 3**

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

## **Friday, March 4**

Church Office is closed

## **Saturday, March 5**

7:00 AM – 11:00 AM Blood Drive (Friendship Room)

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Oregon Area Food Pantry

5:00 PM Worship

## **Sunday, March 6**

8:30 AM Worship

8:50 AM - 9:40 AM Sunday School

9:00 AM Online Worship

9:15 AM Coffee Fellowship

9:30 AM - 10:20 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM High School Youth Night



- 2/27** Nicole Gallagher, Tim Heaton, Sue Richards
- 2/28** Julie Bull, Barbara Christensen
- 3/02** Lisa Walker
- 3/03** Angela Garvoille, Dana Hoffmann
- 3/04** Isabella Endres
- 3/05** Kara Newton, Cameren Swiggum

# BAPTISM



# BIRTHDAYS

- 2/27** Greyson Heitz
- 3/01** Tammy Adler
- 3/02** Roger Christensen
- 3/04** Kaden Keo, Wyatt Parsons, Tanja Swenson
- 3/05** Hannah Christensen

*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@sjlserve.net](mailto:info@sjlserve.net) by 4PM each Tuesday.*



# Our Worship Volunteers

## **SERVING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY**

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

**Pew Straightener:** Barb Hanna

## **SERVING THIS 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)

Bonnie Haugen, Carol Wichmann, Chris Hubert (10:30am)

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

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

**Coffee Fellowship:** Odessa Klarich, Gage Klarich

## **SERVING NEXT WEEK, MARCH 5 & 6**

**Readers:** Joel Olsen (5:00pm)

Ryan Anderson (8:30am)

Aaron Johnson (10:30am)

**Ushers:** Brenda Outhouse (5:00pm)

Phil & Sue Johnson (8:30am)

Rob Schmidt, Xander Lisowski, Noah Lisowski (10:30am)

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

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

# Coffee Fellowship: Open

## *Congregational Leadership & Staff*

**Guest Pastor:** Rev. Roger Black

**Director of Worship & Music:**

Ondra Williams, [OndraW@sjlserve.net](mailto:OndraW@sjlserve.net)

**Coordinator for Congregational Life:**

Laura McGoveran, [LauraM@sjlserve.net](mailto:LauraM@sjlserve.net)

**Financial Director:** Shirley Schiffner, [ShirleyS@sjlserve.net](mailto:ShirleyS@sjlserve.net)

**Sunday School Coordinator:** Grace Hammermeister

**Office Assistant:** Barb Daane, [BarbD@sjlserve.net](mailto:BarbD@sjlserve.net)

**Audio Visual Operator:** David Klarich

**Building & Grounds Maintenance:** Chris Staveness,  
[cstaveness@gmail.com](mailto:cstaveness@gmail.com);

**Custodian:** Gage Klarich

## *Church Office Information*

**Hours:** 8AM – 4PM, Monday-Thursday

**Office Phone:** 608.291.4311- please leave a message, if your call is not answered

**Emergency Phone:** Emergency contact information on voicemail

**E-mail:** [Info@sjlserve.net](mailto:Info@sjlserve.net)

## *St. John's Church Council Officers*

**President:** Kevin Oppermann, 414.659.2676

**Co-Vice-Presidents:**

Jon Fishwild, 608.909.2880; Bob Lindmeier, 608.469.6055

**Secretary:** Catherine Stang, 608.501.8000

**Treasurer:** Michael Nott, 608.469.9791

## *St. John's Social Media*

**Church Website:** [StJohnsOregonWI.org](http://StJohnsOregonWI.org)

**Public Facebook Page:** [facebook.com/stjohnsoregonwi](https://facebook.com/stjohnsoregonwi)

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

[facebook.com/groups/stjohnsoregonwi](https://facebook.com/groups/stjohnsoregonwi)

**YouTube Channel:**

[youtube.com/c/stjohnslutheranchurchoregonwi](https://youtube.com/c/stjohnslutheranchurchoregonwi)

**Twitter:** [twitter.com/stjohnsoregonwi](https://twitter.com/stjohnsoregonwi)

**Instagram:** [instagram.com/stjohnsoregonwi](https://instagram.com/stjohnsoregonwi)

**Questions?** Contact Sheryl Lindmeier at

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