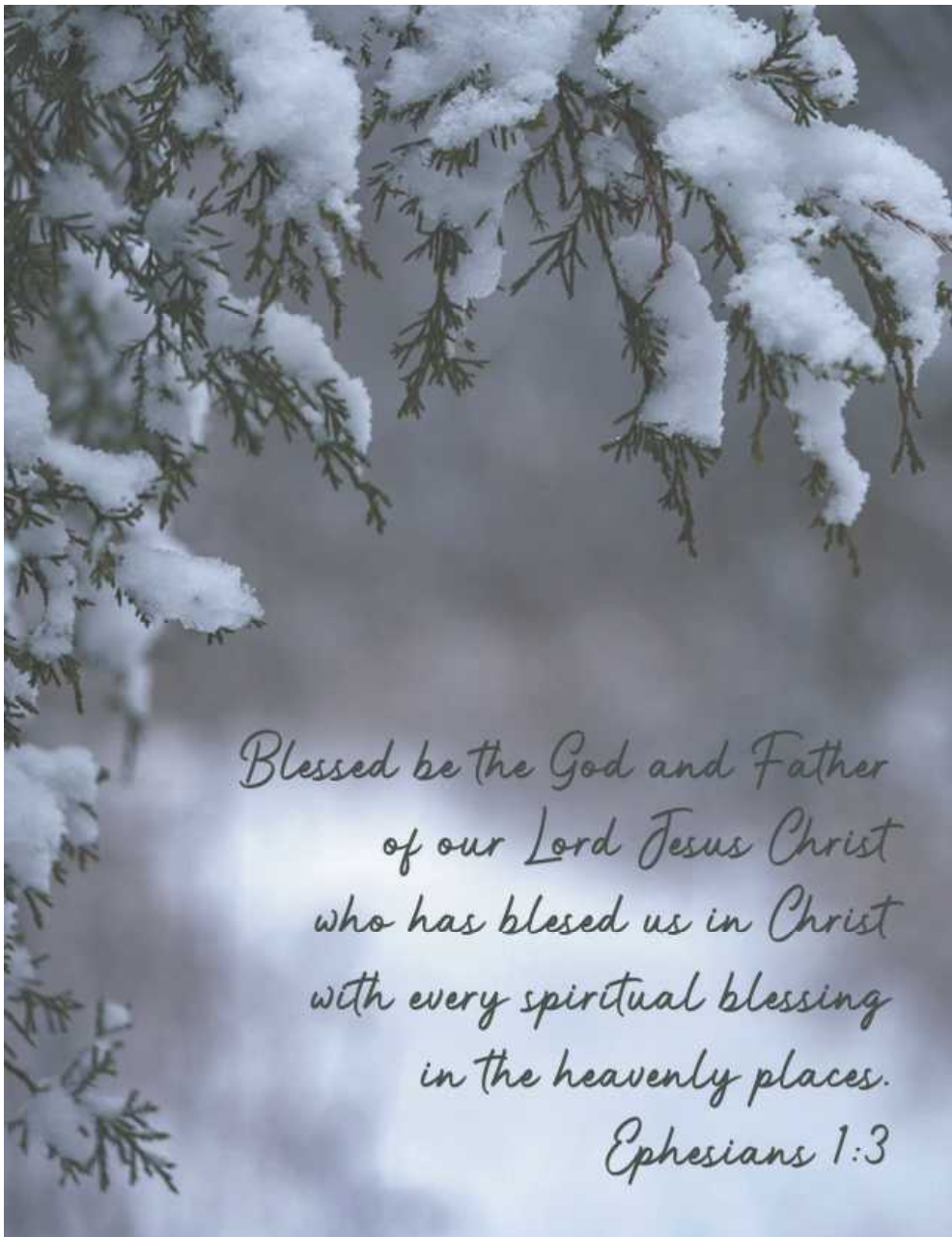


January 3, 2021

Second Sunday after Christmas



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*Blessed be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ
who has blessed us in Christ
with every spiritual blessing
in the heavenly places.
Ephesians 1:3*

WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Style

Saturday 5:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM

Contemporary Celebration (Gym)

Sunday 10:30 AM

Online Service 9:00 AM

Facebook & YouTube

Radio Broadcast 9:00 AM

WTCH960 AM / WTCH96.1 FM

Senior Service

1st & 3rd Wednesday 11:00 AM

DIVINE SERVICE #4, LSB 203

HOLY COMMUNION

Liturgist:Rev. Mark Drenkler

Preacher:... Rev. Steve Schauder

TRADITIONAL SERVICE

SERVICE HYMNS

Opening.....#686(st.1,3,4)

Sermon.....#571

Distribution #744(st.1-3,5)
#918

Closing..... #924

Music By: Sue Moede

CELEBRATION SERVICE

Music By: Praise Team



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WE WELCOME all our visitors to St. James and pray your worship with us is uplifting and enriching. If there is anything we can do for you, please ask one of the ushers or the volunteer in the Connection Center and they will be happy to assist you.

FELLOWSHIP: Refreshments will not be available until further notice.

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated during all Worship Services on the first and third weekends of the month, and at all Senior Services.

GLUTEN-FREE COMMUNION WAFERS are available at all services during communion weekends for those in need of them. Please see a Lay Minister before the service to let them know of your request.

PARENTS WITH CHILDREN: Children are always welcome to worship with us. Children's bulletins are available. There is a Mother's Room with a changing table located by the restrooms in the narthex.

SENIOR SERVICE: Designed for our senior members and at-risk individuals, but anyone may attend. Every first and third Wednesday at 11:00 AM with Holy Communion.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Prayers have to be prayed to be answered! The church office is open Monday-Friday from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. You may also place a call to the office by phone at 715-524-4815. Our pastors are here for you! Contact Pastor Mark at 715-851-0089, or Pastor Steve at 715-853-2566.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

THIS WEEK'S SERMON THEME

"If You Could Ask for Anything"
by Rev. Steve Schauder

WEEKEND READINGS

Old Testament: 1 Kings 3:4-15
Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-14
Holy Gospel: Luke 2:40-52

SERMON TEXT: EPHESIANS 1:3-14

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will,

SENIOR SERVICES

Senior Services will continue in January with two Wednesday morning services. Join us for our next services on January 6th and 20th, at 11 AM with Holy Communion. At this time, we would like to encourage all at-risk individuals to attend these midweek services.

¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

Old Testament: Genesis 1:1-5
Epistle: Romans 6:1-11
Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

CELEBRATION SERVICE

WE PRAISE GOD

“Jesus Light of the World” as sung by Third Day
“God of Brilliant Lights” as sung by Aaron Shust

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING SONG

“Angels From the Realms of Glory” as sung by Steven Curtis Chapman

**SCRIPTURE ON SIN, CONFESSION,
AND REPENTANCE**

SILENT CONFRONTATION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE ON FORGIVENESS

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

TIME FOR PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

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.

WE PRAISE GOD

“Let Us Adore” as sung by Elevation Worship

SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY

Ephesians 1:3-14

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

“If You Could Ask for Anything” by Rev. Steve Schauder

EXPLANATION OF COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION SONG

“King of Kings” as sung by Hillsong

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

BENEDICTION

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.
G Amen.

CLOSING SONG

“Christmas Day ” as sung by Chris Tomlin

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOARD OF LAY MINISTRY LISTING

B	Ralph Beversdorf
S	Jerry Wendland
K & V	Scott Grosskopf
H & N	Fritz Schroeder
F, J, & R	Pete Hansen
D & M	Jerry Raddant
G & T	John Koeller
E & L	Jim Flaig
A, C, & P	Larry Gehm
Z, Y, & O	Andy Pyatskowitz
U & W	Jim Darling

If you do not have their phone number, please contact the church office to get in touch with your Lay Minister.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

"The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) is in progress, and offers a one-time payment during the heating season (October 1-May 15) to Wisconsin residents to make their energy bills more affordable. If you haven't already applied for energy assistance this heating season, go to www.co.shawano.wi.us click on the "HOME ENERGY+" logo. Or contact 715-526-4740."

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

"God is not just our God or the God of just our people or just our nation or our congregation or our denomination or our demographic category or our tribe or our ethnicity or our language. There is no justice if it's just about just us. No, God is the God of all time and all space and all people. In Christ, all things hang together. Step into your new year with this fresh recognition that the Holy Spirit wants to fill every nook and cranny of your life until you overflow with God's everlasting love for everybody." Pastor John Nunes on The Lutheran Hour – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

"Too Much"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

The Gospel according to St. Mark shows us the Savior Who is always on the move. (Mark 1:1—2:12)

Tune into Sunday morning's message at 7:30AM on WTCH/960 AM and also at 10:00AM on WRVM/102.7 FM on your radio.

P.A.C.K.

A **Planned Act of Christian Kindness** is a reflection of what Jesus freely gave to us all. His words, actions, and the ultimate sacrifice He made on the cross was for our salvation and freedom. Board of Christian Outreach invites you to participate in P.A.C.K. What acts of Christian kindness are you spreading now?

JANUARY CHALLENGE: Winter months along with Covid-19 will keep a lot of people secluded and perhaps alone. Perhaps a neighbor needs groceries or a driveway shoveled or just a hello card. We would like to remind you to look for an opportunity to reach out and show Christian Kindness in some way. The Lord will bring someone to mind...please pray and ask Him...then when your heart strings are tugged a bit reach out to that person.

CHRISTMAS THANK YOU

I would like to thank you for the Christmas cards, notes and gifts received. I truly appreciate the kindness shown to us this Christmas season.

In the joyful service of Jesus,
Pastor Mark

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

Lutherans for Life, in cooperation with Wisconsin Right to Life, will sponsor an ad in the Market Messenger stating our pro-life position. We hope to gather signatures from members of our area churches to support the signature ad. We will be collecting signatures the weekend of January 10th or you can stop in the office during the between 7:30AM-4:00PM. We are asking a donation of \$3.00 per name to cover the cost of printing and that you PRINT your name.

The tentative date for the RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH is scheduled for Sunday, January 31st. Details will be coming to confirm event.

RADIO MINISTRY

St. James has been broadcasting its' worship services on WTCH for many years. The cost to sponsor a broadcast is \$135. Thanks to the generosity of many sponsors, all dates in 2020 were covered! If you would like to reserve a date to sponsor a radio broadcast in 2021, please contact the church office at 715-524-4815. Thank you to all our sponsors and listeners!

SCHOOL, CHURCH & COMMUNITY

YOUTH MINISTRY MINUTE

- Did you know we have an ongoing fundraiser at St. James? It's called SCRIP!!** It simply involves shopping with gift cards purchased through the SCRIP program!! With over 100 gift cards to choose from, there is at least one for you!! Do you ever fill up your gas tank? There are several gas gift cards to choose from! It is the easiest way to raise funds ever!! There is no additional cost to the gift card! Want a \$25 card? Pay \$25!! Want a \$50 gift card? Pay \$50? A percentage of the profit is split between your family's account and our school. You can use your percentage to pay for youth events or you can donate it to the youth general fund! Orders are placed on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. You can place your order in person in the church office or order online!! To order scrip online, simply visit shopwithscrip.com and follow the steps to set up your account. The St. James ENROLLMENT CODE is: 141CA19B35L (There is a .15 convenience fee per online order, but ecards and reloadable cards can be used instantly!) The next order date is Monday, January 11th at 1PM.

Adult and Student Leadership Gathering

- January 6, 5 pm** in The Landing: We are brainstorming!! Bring your ideas!!

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Jan. 2-3	YAC CAN COLLECTION
Jan. 4	WELCOME BACK! HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Jan. 6	8:10 AM Chapel
Jan. 8	4-8 PM Home vs. St. Paul
Jan. 9	9:00 AM BC @ Trinity

YAC CAN COLLECTION

Our next scheduled can collection takes place next weekend, January 2nd & 3rd in the church parking lot. Lakeland will only accept CLEAR BAGS with clean dry cans. These funds are used to help defray costs for youth events. Thank you for your support!

DIRECT YOUR THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

*Please do not forget to direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars - you need to choose the organization to which you want to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars every quarter/year (it no longer happens automatically). **For Assistance, call today at 800-847-4836 or visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice and register for account access.** St. James Church, St. James School and St. James Early Childhood Center are some of the many organizations to choose to benefit!*

JANUARY 3RD—JANUARY 10TH

SUN	MON	TUES	WED
<p>3 YAC CAN COLLECTION 8:00 Worship (HC) 9:00 Radio/Online Service 10:30 Celebration (Gym) (HC)</p>	<p>4 5:45 Praise Team 5:45 Bell Choir</p>	<p>5 9:00 Staff</p>	<p>6 8:10 Chapel 11:00 Senior Service (HC) 6:00 Confirmation</p>
THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
<p>7</p>	<p>8 12:00 Bulletin Deadline for Jan. 17th</p>	<p>9 5:30 Worship</p>	<p>10 8:00 Worship 9:00 Radio/Online Service 10:30 Celebration (Gym) 5:00 4-H</p>

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROTOCOLS

THE FOLLOWING ARE PRACTICES THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE SAFEST ENVIRONMENT FOR PEOPLE TO GATHER FOR WORSHIP. PLEASE READ THEM CAREFULLY:

- Minimize entrance and exit points for attendees. Access for services in the sanctuary will be limited to the Andrews Street entrance and the East Side Parking Lot entrance. Access for the Celebration service will be limited to the East Side Gym/School entrance. Weather permitting entrance/exit doors will be propped open.
- Post signs at all entrances reminding worshipers to practice social distancing, utilize hand sanitizers, and follow any other guidelines that will be established.
- Bulletins will NOT be handed out, but made available for individuals to pick up. Please take them with you when you leave.
- Offering plates will NOT be passed, but plates will be at the exits of the sanctuary/gym.
- No coffee, beverages or refreshments will be served.
- In the Sanctuary, people will be seated in every other pew. Appropriate signage will be in place to guide the seating. Families may sit together, but also allow 6 feet on either side of the family unit. Individuals must practice the *6-foot rule*. If attending with a friend sitting together is allowed, however 6 feet must be allowed on either side.
- For the Celebration service in the Gym, the same protocols will be observed. In addition, the bleachers will remain closed. The chairs and tables will be arranged to provide for social distancing.
- The use of masks is up to the discretion of the individual worshiper. Masks will NOT be provided. If an individual chooses to wear a mask, they must bring their own.
- Children will be invited forward for the Children's Message, however they will be asked to sit in designated places to provide for social distancing. Siblings may sit together.
- When celebrating the Lord's Supper, the Pastors and Lay Ministers will sanitize their hands immediately before serving. The Pastors will place the bread into the open hand of the individual being careful not to allow for hand to hand contact. The Common Cup will NOT be used during this time. The Lay Ministers will offer the individual cup. Trays will be set up to provide space between the cups so individuals will touch only the cup they are taking. Directions for coming forward and returning to seats will be given each time the Lord's Supper is celebrated.
- Individuals will be encouraged to leave the worship space and/or building following worship and avoid congregating in the narthex or halls. All worship spaces will be sanitized following worship. This includes all handrails, door handles, and any items touched in the normal course of entering and exiting the worship space.

In the joyful service of Jesus,
Pastor Mark & Pastor Steve

SPONSORSHIPS & CONTRIBUTIONS

CALLED HOME

Willis F. Weisnicht, age 84, was called Home to Glory on Sunday, December 20th, 2020.

SPONSORSHIPS

The Radio Broadcast has been sponsored to the Glory of God, by a St. James member.

SPECIAL GIFTS

\$100 was given to St. James School and \$100 to St. James Early Childcare Center in grateful thanksgiving to the Lord for blessings received, by Betty & Bob Nemetz.

A monetary donation was given to St. James School in loving memory of Lorraine Riemer, by Gerald & Donna Springstroh.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

2021 offering envelopes are available for pick up in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 715-524-4815. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card. To set up your electronic donation on our website, go to www.stjames-shawano.org, and click on the GIVINGS link on the far right side.

SPONSOR ALTAR FLOWERS

Every week beautiful flowers grace the altar in our Sanctuary. Sponsoring altar flowers is a simple way to glorify God and beautify the altar. Dedications can be made in honor or in memory of someone, in celebration of a birthday, anniversary or other milestone, or in thanksgiving for friends or family. After the 8:00 AM Sunday service, you may take your arrangement home with you. Please call the church office at 715-524-4815 for open dates.

PLEASE NOTE

Attendance numbers and contributions figures were not available at the time this bulletin went to print. The information is available at the Connection Center or the information area outside Celebration.

TABITHA CHRISTMAS GIFTS 2020

Concordia Seminary Food Pantry	\$ 200
St. James Lutheran School, Education Fund	2,000
Rev. Mark Drengrer	200
Rev. Steve Schauder	200
Rev. Roy Rinehard	200
Radio Broadcast Fund	405
Orphan Grain Train	300
Lutheran World Relief & Human Care	400
Adam Ellis	100
Ben Nurse	100
Kathy Bubolz	50
Missionaries Elliot & Serena Derricks	100
St. James Lutheran School, Kitchen	500
Seminary Student (Adopt A Student)	300
	\$5,055

QUILTING MATERIALS

The ladies are always in need of lightweight blankets and mattress pads for using as fillers in the quilts they make. Please drop off in the Quilters box by the elevator. Thank you!

GIVE+ MOBILE APP

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Arline Raasch	Andrew Larsen	Ron Schroeder
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