

Word of God Lutheran Church  
Grow • Build • Serve



Our Mission:  
With God's help we are called to be a  
multi-generational traditional church, grounded in  
the Bible and focused on service in the community  
and mission outreach.

**Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**February 12, 2023**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
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Advent • Christmas • **Epiphany** • Lent • Easter • Pentecost  
*Please refer to the blue With One Voice Hymnal for service.*

**ENTRANCE RITE**

Announcements

Prelude

Call to worship chime

- \* Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness .....WOV 10
- \* Entrance Hymn "**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**" .....LBW 543
- \* Greeting .....WOV 28
- \* Hymn of Praise.....WOV 29
- \* The Lord be with you .....WOV 30
- \* Prayer of the Day

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

First Reading ..... Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalm (*Read Responsively*) ..... Psalm 119:1-8

Second Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

\* Return to the Lord" Verse .....WOV 31

\* Gospel ..... Matthew 5:21-37

Children's Sermon

Sermon

\* Hymn of the Day "**O Master, Let Me Walk with You**" .....LBW 492

*Installation of 2023 Service Committee Members*

\* Apostles' Creed .....WOV 33

\* Prayers .....WOV 34

\* Share the Peace .....WOV 34

**SHARING OF THE SACRAMENTAL MEAL**

Offering

Offertory .....WOV 35

\* Offertory Prayer .....WOV 35

\* Great Thanksgiving .....WOV 36

\* Holy, Holy, Holy .....WOV 36

\* Words of Institution .....WOV 37

\* The Lord's Prayer .....WOV 39

"Lamb of God" .....WOV 39

† Communion (Hymns are listed on the screen.)

\* Blessing .....WOV 40

\* Canticle "Thankful Hearts" .....WOV 40

\* Prayer, Blessing, Dismissal.....WOV 41

\* Closing Hymn "**How Firm a Foundation**" .....LBW 507

\* Sending

\* Please stand as able

† All who are baptized and believe that Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to receive communion and assurance of God's forgiveness. *Children who have not been instructed in the sacrament should fold their hands to receive a blessing.*

## **Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

<sup>15</sup> "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. <sup>16</sup> If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. <sup>17</sup> But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup> I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup> I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, <sup>20</sup> loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

I will praise you with an upright heart,  
when I learn your righteous rules.  
**Psalm 119:7**

## **Psalm 119:1-8**

119 Blessed are those whose way is blameless,  
who walk in the law of the Lord!

**<sup>2</sup> Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,  
who seek him with their whole heart,**

<sup>3</sup> who also do no wrong,  
but walk in his ways!

**<sup>4</sup> You have commanded your precepts  
to be kept diligently.**

<sup>5</sup> Oh that my ways may be steadfast  
in keeping your statutes!

**<sup>6</sup> Then I shall not be put to shame,  
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**

<sup>7</sup> I will praise you with an upright heart,  
when I learn your righteous rules.

**<sup>8</sup> I will keep your statutes;  
do not utterly forsake me!**

## **1 Corinthians 3:1-9**

3 But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. <sup>2</sup> I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, <sup>3</sup> for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? <sup>4</sup> For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human? <sup>5</sup> What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. <sup>6</sup> I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. <sup>7</sup> So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. <sup>8</sup> He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. <sup>9</sup> For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

## **Matthew 5:21-37**

<sup>21</sup> "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.'<sup>22</sup> But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup> So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, <sup>24</sup> leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. <sup>25</sup> Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. <sup>26</sup> Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny. <sup>27</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.'<sup>28</sup> But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup> If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup> And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell. <sup>31</sup> "It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.'<sup>32</sup> But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. <sup>33</sup> "Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.'<sup>34</sup> But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, <sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. <sup>36</sup> And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup> Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If anyone is physically unable to come to the altar, they may request the Pastor or Worship Assistant to bring them **communion** at their seat. Please let your usher know so he /she can tell the Pastor where you are seated.
- *Correction*, there will be **Sunday School** classes for children and youth on Sunday, February 20.
- The next **Crafters' Fellowship Weekend** will be Friday, March 17 and Saturday, March 18 beginning at 10 AM in the fellowship hall. For more information, please contact Becky Cirillo, Diann Eveland, or Tata Pike.
- Last year's **Palm Sunday crosses** will be collected until February 19, Transfiguration Sunday. The crosses and fronds will be burned and used for the imposition of ashes on **Ash Wednesday, February 22**.
- WoG will offer 2 services this year on **Ash Wednesday, February 22**. Service times are noon and 7:00 PM.
- **Midweek Lenten services** begin Wednesday, March 1 - 29, at 7:00 PM.
- **Maundy Thursday service** is April 6 at 7:00 PM and **Good Friday, Tenebrae Service**, is April 7 also at 7:00 PM.
- WoG's annual **Easter Egg Hunt** is Saturday, April 8, from 2:00 - 4:00 PM in the picnic area. Volunteers are needed! For more information please contact Sue Burnett at [suegburnett@att.net](mailto:suegburnett@att.net).
- *Mark your calendars*, **K-5th Grade VBS** this summer, Monday, June 12 to Friday, June 16, 9:00 AM to noon. Pre-Schoolers welcome with a parent accompanying the preschooler.
- Our next **RLC Warehouse** service opportunity is Wednesday, March 8, at 9:00 AM, and the **RLC Mobile Food Pantry** will be Thursday, February 16, at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on the bulletin tear-off or contact Sue Burnett at [suegburnett@att.net](mailto:suegburnett@att.net) for more information.
- The next **Midwest Food Bank** distribution will be Tuesday, February 21 (8 AM - 12 PM & 6 PM - 8 PM); Wednesday, February 22 (8 AM - 1:30 PM); and Thursday, February 23 (8 AM - 12 PM). Lunch is provided each day to all volunteers. Contact Joe Bowler at [lucbowler@gmail.com](mailto:lucbowler@gmail.com) or sign up on the bulletin tear-off.
- *Unless otherwise indicated, the announcement submission deadline for the Sunday bulletin is the previous **Monday at 11:00 AM**. Please send all announcements to [woglutheran@gmail.com](mailto:woglutheran@gmail.com).*

### December 2022 Report

All donations will be applied to the General, Building, Scholarship, or Fish STIX funds.

Average Weekly Worship Attendance: 142

Monthly Giving: \$76,8378

Monthly Benevolence: \$8,452

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**Upcoming Events**  
**Please Mark Your Calendars!**

- Sunday, February 12** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**  
- **Choir Rehearsal, 9:00 AM**  
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**  
- **Welcome & Evangelism Team Meeting, 11:45 AM**
- Monday, February 13** - **Property Team Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- Tuesday, February 14** - **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**
- Thursday, February 16** - **RLC Mobile Food Pantry, 9:00 AM**  
- **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**  
- **Fish STIX, 7:00 PM**  
- **Service Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM**
- Saturday, February 18** - **Fish STIX Theater Class, 9:00 AM**
- Sunday, February 19** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**  
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**  
- **Choir Rehearsal, 11:45 AM**
- Monday, February 20** - **Faithful Hands Ministry, 10:00 AM**
- Tuesday, February 21** - **Midwest Food Bank Distribution, 8:00 AM**  
- **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**
- Wednesday, February 22** - **Midwest Food Bank Distribution, 8:00 AM**  
- **Ash Wednesday Service, 12:00 PM**  
- **Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00 PM**
- Thursday, February 23** - **Midwest Food Bank Distribution, 8:00 AM**  
- **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**
- Sunday, February 26** - **Sunday School, 9:00 AM**  
- **Choir Rehearsal, 9:25 AM**  
- **Worship Service, 10:15 AM**  
- **Choir Rehearsal, 11:45 AM**
- Tuesday, February 28** - **Tuesdays with God, 9:30 AM**  
- **Pathways2, 7:00 PM**
- Wednesday, March 1** - **Midweek Lenten Service, 7:00 PM**
- Thursday, March 2** - **Assemble Bulletins, 1:00 PM**

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