

### Pastor's Corner

***Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Joel 2:13***

On February 22<sup>nd</sup> we will begin the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday. We begin the season wearing ashes, confessing we are nothing but *"dust and to dust we will return."* How humbling for all of us. However, the penitential nature of this penitential season can quickly take a turn for the worse. Many people will start to make sure they don't eat meat on Fridays; fish only. Others will decide to give something up for 40 days. In and of themselves there is nothing wrong with doing these things. This type of self-denial can be good for our souls. So long as one thing occurs; we dwell more upon Christ and His sufferings rather than focusing upon our own and what we are giving up. If we end up thinking more about ourselves than Christ, then we have destroyed the season of Lent.

On Ash Wednesday we begin the season wearing ashes, confessing we are nothing but *"dust and to dust we will return."* How humbling for all of us. The question is, what now? Since we confess we are dust and to dust we will return, where do we go from there? After all, that is a pretty serious confession. If we truly believe we are dust and one day our bodies will return to dust, who can save us from this tragic fate? You know who. Jesus, and Jesus alone, can rescue us from our dusty fate. Thanks to His death, our sins, which turn us to dust, have been removed. And thanks to Christ's resurrection from the dead, we have the promise that our dusty bodies will be resurrected one day.

Lent is an invitation for us, and for all people, to return to the Lord our God. As the prophet Joel said, *"Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love"* (Joel 2:13). God is indeed very gracious to us. God is not gracious because we refrain from eating meat on Fridays. God is gracious to you because of Christ. God is merciful to you not because you gave something up for 40 days. God is merciful to you because Christ gave up His very life for you on Good Friday. May this coming season of Lent be a time that we rejoice in God's graciousness and mercy shown toward us all because of the work of our Lord Jesus Christ.



-- Pastor Grimenstein

# President's Report

## Family and Friends

Hopefully everyone is enjoying what has been thus far a reasonably easy winter. By the time you read this we just might have added the vestibule to the school wing entrance and also replaced the broken and leaking windows around the altar area! The work never stops and your trustees are doing a great job getting things done on behalf of our ministries here at Zion.

Given the state of the world affairs and our own country's affairs, let's take a few moments to think about what your church means to you. I'm hoping your church is a refuge from the secular world of confusion and deceptions. Your church is a place to find peace and harmony and solace of a special kind that can only be realized when the Word is spoken in truth and purity with conviction and with promise and assurance. The music should move you. Your church is a place where a special "family" congregates and worships an almighty God in a bold fashion. We're created in the image of God and it's a logical inference that we call our God, "Father", thus, as Paul said in so many words in Ephesians, everyone on this planet should be calling God, "Father"-- since we're His children. After all, Christ, when hanging and dying on the cross called out to the "Father"-- who loves us and chose us. God the Father makes us a very real and important type of family.



Your church -- the people around you each Sunday -- is a family. Beyond that, as Jesus said in John Chapter 15, "You are my friends if you do as I command you." We all know the things our Lord has commanded of us and while we aren't going to live perfect lives, it's our destiny and our goal to strive to carry on in this world to the best of our abilities to fulfill His expectations in what we do while we're alive. We're blessed and we're all friends and family. "God Bless us, every one!" (as Tiny Tim said. So unselfish and heartfelt.)

Pray for the Christians on earth, our LCMS and missions, and your friends and family here at Zion. Praise the Lord.

-- Paul Klemash

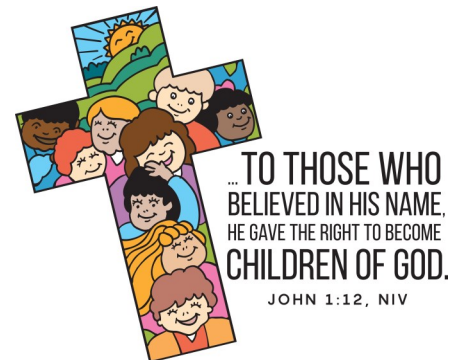


## News from the Preschool

Happy New Year from the Preschool!

Three nights, 185 students and over 500 family members in attendance for our Christmas programs back in December ... what a fantastic kick - off to the Christmas season. I realize that it's now February, and Christmas has passed, but I can't stop thinking about the joy that those little children brought to all who heard them sing, and maybe, just maybe changing some lives.

As a mission of the church, our Preschool has the opportunity to reach, not only the children, but their families and spread the good news of Jesus Christ...and it's working. As I looked around the pews on Christmas Eve, I noticed a preschool family waving at me. In the following weeks, two more families were waving at me and expressed interest in, not only joining our church, but in having their children baptized, and becoming active members.



Growing the Kingdom is hard work, but never doubt what the Holy Spirit can do. I see it every day, in so many little ways through the eyes of these children. As our registration process has already started for next year, I ask that you continue to keep our school in your prayers, and that the Holy Spirit continue to work through our staff.

If you see some new faces, say "hello" and welcome to Zion!

Blessings in the new year!

Tracey Harris  
Zion Preschool Director



## Anniversary Anecdotes

*Each month during our 125th anniversary year we'll share perspectives from our members on Zion's past, present and future.*

### *Carolyn Wible*



Some of my early memories of Zion are of the "old church" on Prestley Road in Bridgeville (near what is now the shopping plaza). I fondly remember the confirmation classes held at the rear of the church which was once a parsonage. Our classes were on Saturday mornings at 9 am, and there was always the sound of the mimeograph machine shooting out Sunday bulletins in the secretary's office above us. My fellow confirmands included Laraine Cherpach, Rose Ann Rizak, Karen Hickey (cousin of my future husband, Dick),

Peter Zalesky, David Colin, Jack Heaps, and Mary Alice Warneld.

On Sunday afternoons we all piled into the back of Pastor Dietrich's station wagon and headed out to Avella where Pastor held services for a small mission congregation (we had no excuse for missing parts of the sermon, as we got to hear it twice!).

That summer we attended a week long confirmation retreat at Camp Pioneer on Lake Erie with other local confirmands. What a wonderful experience! The part I remember most were the evening vesper services and bonfires on the beach. Each evening the final song was "Abide with Me". To this day, can't sing it without thoughts of those evenings on the beach long ago.



*Confirmation Day, May 1959*

### *Megan Migyanko*



I have been attending Zion with my husband, John, since 2019 and we became members in 2020. How blessed we were to get plugged into a church before the pandemic hit.

Since then I have enjoyed teaching Sunday school, attending Reformation, Woman's bible study, bunco night, the woman's ornament exchange, and participating in bell choir.

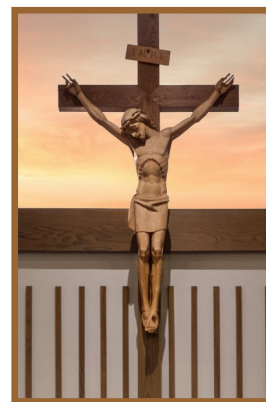
The first Sunday we attended Zion the crucifix at the front of the church made quite the impression. In the sermon that day Pastor said something to the effect of "it might be jarring to some but it is the whole

*Anniversary Anecdotes, cont'd*

reason we are here". And those words and that crucifix continue to make an impact on me each Sunday because they're true. The death and resurrection of Christ are the "why" to what drives every part of Zion's Christ-centered, grace-filled ministry.

I have been greatly humbled by the kindness shown to me and my family. John and I started our fostering journey after we joined Zion. The welcomeness shown to our foster kids has been the most beautiful display of Christ's love. To all the members that have prayed for us and come along side us, we are so appreciative. I have most appreciated getting to know the Christian women and mothers who display the greatest of love toward their families. I see you all. The impact you make in this congregation matters. Words are not enough.

I pray in the years ahead Zion would continue to flourish in its women's and children's ministries. I hope to see the impact of what raising a child in a community of believers can lead to -- a Christ-centered, grace-filled life. This is my prayer for all families at Zion -- that we all continue to come along side one another in a spirit of togetherness.



The season of Lent begins  
**February 22<sup>nd</sup> -- Ash Wednesday**

Beginning on 2/22, we will have two Lenten services each week ... an afternoon spoken service at 2 pm and our regular 7 pm service.

Wed. 2/22 — 2 & 7 pm Ash Wednesday services  
*6 pm Lenten dinner in Fellowship Hall*

Wed. 3/1 — 2 & 7 pm Lenten services

Wed. 3/8 — 2 & 7 pm Lenten services

Wed. 3/15 — 2 & 7 pm Lenten services

Wed. 3/22 — 2 & 7 pm Lenten services

Wed. 3/29 — 2 & 7 pm Lenten services

**Mission Moment:**  
Promoting Zion's Internal, local, and international missionary efforts  
Pastor Philip & Deaconess Rachel Jaseph

**God at Work:**  
*Our Uruguayan Summer in Pictures*



***Divine Service on Christmas Day was extra special this year, with the baptism of two babies and the first use of the long-awaited new hymnals.***



***Cristo Para Todas Las Naciones- Uruguay director Gabi (future deaconess student) gave the welcome to the 40 women who attended the annual Ladies' Tea event at which we talked about Identity. Most of those in attendance are not members of the church, so please pray that God would use these points of contact for us to share the Gospel in the future.***



***Two days before Christmas, the Lutheran Church of Uruguay received a great gift -- 500 copies of Himnario Luterano! Pictured here are the men who moved all the boxes after picking them up in Montevideo following their long journey from the printer in Thailand. Thank you to The Lutheran Heritage Foundation and all who gave generously to make this teaching, devotional, and worship resource possible.***



***Over the holidays, Pastor Phil was down a hand due to a fracture. We thank God for wonderful medical care and healing for his hand, and for all who have prayed for him during this setback. He remained in good spirits and we're pictured here after the Christmas Eve English language service that Pastors Phil and James conducted. What a blessing to receive God's Word in our heart language!***



## Good Samaritan Hospice Presents:

### The Music in Me

A Zoom Event March 4<sup>th</sup> 9:30-11:00am

We are hoping to see you at our first 2023 Youth Bereavement Care event to explore how music helps us express our emotions and grief. This is a **free event** and is for youth up to age 21 who have experienced the death of a significant person.

We ask an adult to be present with the participant at the opening of the Zoom program. Children ages 6 and under will need an adult to accompany them for the length of the program.

Please **RSVP** to Brittany Foy at **1-800-720-2557 EXT 4428** by **February 17, 2023** to receive the Zoom link and to be sure materials necessary for the event are mailed to you by the event date. We look forward to seeing you!



During the first two weeks of January classes, Sunday School children reviewed their "Acts of Christmas Kindness" assignment that they had received on Dec 18. Award certificates and Sunday School pins were presented to those who participated. It was a lot of fun, especially with the younger children, to hear of all their activity!



Through February, we continue with Concordia Enduring Faith Unit 5. One key lesson touches on the concept that, "God strengthens my weakness through His Word and Sacraments. Though I face temptations that threaten to weaken my faith, the Holy Spirit strengthens me through the Word."



And as we go through February and March, we will be preparing for Lent and Easter. We have ordered a "Return to the Lord: Lent and Easter Family Calendar" which will be sent home with the children before Ash Wednesday.



## In Memoriam

It has pleased the Lord to call unto Himself our Sister in Christ Lois Dittmer. May the Lord comfort her niece, Kathleen Conn, and the rest of their family with the assurance of eternal life in Him.





### *Interested in becoming a member?*

Pastor Grimenstein will be starting an Adult Confirmation Class in February for those interested in learning more about the Lutheran faith who are considering church membership. The class meets for a total of six weeks on Thursdays -- **starting Feb. 16th** -- from 6:00-6:45. Topics range from Baptism to the Ten Commandments. (ZOOM is available for anyone not able to attend in person.)

Please email Zion secretary Susie Bishop [secretary@zlc.org](mailto:secretary@zlc.org) to let her know you're interested in joining the class.

## Bridgeville Area Food Bank

The February collection for the Bridgeville Area Food Bank is **Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>**. The "item of the month" is **CEREAL & BREAKFAST ITEMS**. Items may be placed in the wicker receptacle in the narthex near the coat rack.



You are also welcome to help at the food bank every third Saturday of the month between 7:45 am and noon at Bethany Presbyterian Church (contact Barb Oechslein for more information). Many families in our area are in need due to the financial downturn. Please continue to support the Food Bank with your donations and volunteer service!

# Shout Out to Students

*Highlighting the academic awards, scholarships, and extra-curricular achievements of Zion's students in Kindergarten through College.*

**Sarah Grimenstein**, a senior at South Fayette HS, has committed to swim for Clarion University's Swim and Dive Team (NCAA Division 2). Sarah has been swimming competitively for ten years and currently trains with Pittsburgh Elite Aquatics in Upper St. Clair. She is a 4-year varsity letterman with the South Fayette High School Swim and Dive Team and a 2023 WPIAL qualifier in the 200 Individual Medley. Congratulations, Sarah!



**Michael Grimenstein**, in his first year at the U.S. Naval Academy, was awarded the First Order of Merit for his Fall semester. The award is given to midshipmen who are exemplary in the areas of academics, physical readiness, and interactions with peers and command staff. Outside the classroom, Michael has joined the Academy's lightweight rowing team which competes NCAA Division 1. Way to go, Michael!



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# God's Abundant Grace: A Sermon from Luther



by Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison, President of The Lutheran Church -- Missouri Synod

*"Christ has created a consoling and blessed kingdom on earth when He says, 'As my Father has sent me, so I send you.' Here he has consecrated us all as priests for this purpose, that the forgiveness of sins be proclaimed one to another." – Martin Luther*

Luther's thought above is permeated by the need for the Gospel to be brought to others near and far. **Every Lutheran needs to read a bit of Luther.** I've quickly translated a part of a deeply moving sermon from April 6, 1541, on Christ's being sent and its profound ramifications for the church's mission and everyday Christian life. Retaining and loosing sins is the church's mission! It's how the church is planted and built.

As you'll see, speaking forgiveness to troubled consciences is the reason Jesus was sent by the Father. Jesus sent His apostles to speak His same words for His mission. The apostles "established and ordained" others to work with them and follow them.

Pastors continue to speak forgiveness unto the end of the age, all sent by Christ. Finally, Luther says that every Christian is to speak forgiveness and absolution to his neighbor, family member, friend and acquaintance. Speak the Gospel of free forgiveness in Jesus. Give someone a Catechism; invite him or her to church. All this is how the Christ who was sent by the Father sends His Gospel to the far corners of the earth until the last day. Simple. Biblical. Apostolic. Lutheran. Missional.



This sermon illustrates the glorious abundance of God's grace and precisely what Luther wrote in the Smalcald Articles:

*God is superabundantly generous in His grace; First, through the spoken Word, by which the forgiveness of sins is preaching the whole world (Luke 24:45-47). This is the particular office of the Gospel. Second, through Baptism. Third, through the holy Sacrament of the Altar. Fourth, through the Power of the Keys. Also through the mutual conversation and consolation of brethren, 'Where two or three are gathered,' (Matthew 18:20) and other such verses (especially Romans 1:12). (SA III IV)*

[Read Luther's sermon \*\*HERE\*\*](#)

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What About...

## Living Together Without Marriage

Increasingly, men and women choose to live as husband and wife without being married. This essay will answer some questions asked about living together.

### What is marriage?

We learn from the Word of God that marriage is the lifelong, exclusive union of one man and one woman, as husband and wife. Marriage is a part of God's creation. Thus, we read in God's Word, the Bible: "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh" (Gen. 2:24; cf. Matt. 19:5-6; Eph. 5:31). Elsewhere we read, "Since there is so much immorality, each man should have his own wife, and each woman her own husband" (1 Cor. 7:2). And, "Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral" (Heb. 13:4). Marriage is such a precious blessing that God inspired the Apostle Paul to describe marriage as a picture of Christ's relationship with His bride, the church (Eph. 5:22-33).

### Why is it wrong to live together without marriage?

Simply stated, a couple that lives together as man and wife without being married is sinning. God's Word is clear: "You must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts.... Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, with a continual lust for more" (Eph. 4:17-19). Our Lord Jesus Christ once helped a woman living with a man who was not her husband to recognize that what she was doing was wrong (John 4:16-18). Lutheran Christians believe that the sixth commandment, "You shall not commit adultery," means, "We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do; and husband and wife love and honor each other" (Luther's Small Catechism, p. 10). All of this is another way of stating the obvious: Men and women

are not to live together as husband and wife, unless they actually are husband and wife. This is as true for 80-year-olds as it is for 18-year-olds.

### Why does the church care about this?

The church cares because God cares. The Lord's Word is very clear in its condemnation of sexual activity outside of marriage. Consider these passages: "Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers... will inherit the kingdom of God" (1 Cor. 6:9-10). "Among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people" (Eph. 5:3). "The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery. ... I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God" (Gal. 5:19-21).



### Why is living together such a serious problem?

Because God's Word clearly shows that it is sinful for couples to live together without marriage, people who persist in behavior that God rejects and condemns as sin are choosing a course that may lead to eternal punishment. God's Word is clear: "It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the heathen, who do not know God. ... The Lord will punish men for all such sins, as we have already told you and warned you. For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life" (1 Thess. 4:3-7).

### Isn't the church being 'judgmental'?

The church is declaring the truth of God's Word. On behalf of Christ and His people, pastors have the responsibility to speak clearly to couples living together and to proclaim the Word of God to them



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both Law and Gospel. It is never easy for a pastor, or a congregation, to deal with couples who are living together without marriage. It is important for both pastors and congregations to deal with these situations pastorally and faithfully, in a caring manner.

### Shouldn't a couple find out if they are compatible?

Research has demonstrated that living together without marriage results in a relationship that is less stable and fulfilling than marriage. Furthermore, couples who live together have a much higher risk of divorce when they finally do marry. Living together is a bad idea, even from a purely human perspective. One study notes, "Those who cohabit before marriage have substantially higher divorce rates than those who do not; the recorded differentials range from 50 to 100 percent higher" ("The Relationship Between Cohabitation and Divorce"[1992], *Demography*,29:357–374). Studies conducted at Yale and Columbia found that "the dissolution rate for women who cohabit premaritally with their future spouse is, on average, nearly 80% higher than the rates of those who do not" ("Commitment & the Modern Union," *American Sociological Review*,[1988],53:127–138).

### How does the church deal with these situations?

The church, and the church's pastors, will inform couples living together without marriage that what they are doing is sinful. These conversations will take place in a loving manner; but in faithfulness to the Word of God, such conversations need to take place. These situations cannot be ignored or overlooked. It may be necessary to place unmarried couples living together under church discipline in order to help them realize the seriousness of the situation. This response may offend people. They may become angry at the church, or the church's pastor. Sometimes an entire family is upset when a situation they have ignored is finally dealt with. The Word of God has a way of cutting through all issues and exposing our sinfulness. That is the work of the Law of God, which shows us our sin. Offending people is certainly not the church's goal, nor is it the church's desire only to have people recognize their sin. The church wants people to

see their sin, so that they may see their Savior. The proclamation of the Gospel is the church's highest priority.

### How can such a couple resolve the situation?

A couple living together without marriage needs to take concrete steps to end the situation. They may choose to separate, with no plans for marriage. They may choose to separate until they are married—hopefully soon. It is important that they make a commitment to marriage counseling before their wedding, and perhaps after their wedding. Some couples may choose to be married by an officer of the court. This is a completely valid marriage in the view of the church. Couples choosing this option are encouraged to have their marriage publicly recognized by the church as well. No matter the decision, they will want to seek their pastor's counsel.

### What is the ultimate solution to this problem?

There are many solutions we can identify. Christian families need to understand what is right and wrong. Early on, parents need to speak with their children about God's expectations for marriage. Pastors and congregations will want to work patiently and lovingly with couples caught up in this sin. Concerned Christian congregations need to pray that the Holy Spirit will work in the hearts and lives of those involved in this lifestyle in order to break down their resistance to God's Word. Christian congregations must not ignore the problem, but must deal with it faithfully. Congregations need to speak about this matter. Couples that recognize their sin need to hear God's comforting word of promise: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness". If they choose to be married, they should do so with joyful confidence in God's forgiveness and His blessing on their marriage.

Dr. A.L. Barry, Past President  
The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

## Happy Birthday Pastor



Pastor Grimenstein celebrated his 50th birthday on January 21st. The next day, during Sunday morning Bible Study, we enjoyed a decadent chocolate birthday cake from Oakmont bakery and presented him with a gift ... a new outdoor nativity to replace his old one that had broken last Christmas.

**Many happy returns on the day of your birth,  
May sunshine and gladness be given,  
And may our dear Father prepare you on earth  
For a beautiful birthday in heaven!**



***Even to your old age I am he, and  
to gray hairs I will carry you.  
I have made, and I will bear;  
I will carry and will save.***

Isaiah 46:4





*Lutherans for Life witnesses to the sanctity of human life through education based on the Word of God. It serves through individuals who volunteer at pregnancy care centers, with hospice, through prayer, and in a wide variety of caring activities. It educates and encourages through conferences and workshops, printed resources and newsletters, Life Sunday materials and Bible studies, curricula, video, and through the website [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

## **"I Don't Agree with What You Said ..."**

*by Barbara Lane Geistfeld, DVM*

For the last 45 years, Lutherans For Life has been committed to "equipping Lutherans and their neighbors to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life." By the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit, we have never turned from the narrow path of speaking God's Word—the truth—in love. Nor have we slackened our pace. In fact, we have expanded our ministry each year to reach more people with the Gospel of hope and healing. I became a part of this ministry seven years ago when I became the Regional Director of Texas. Now I have a new title: Assistant Director of Volunteer Relations, but my mission remains the same—to minister to Lutherans in the name of Jesus wherever the doors open for me.

A few months ago, I attended a convention as an exhibitor and speaker. Showing photos of fetal development from zygote to infant and using the Word of God to express the truth of our creation by God, by His will and for His purpose, I discussed life issues that may affect people of any age. Responses were positive and uplifting, and I was grateful and very pleased with the feedback.

But the Lord had something else in mind to teach me! As I was packing up my materials, a very nice woman came up to me and said, very calmly, "I don't agree with what you said." "Oh," I said. "What part?" "All of it," she replied. I tried to remain calm and spoke the only words that came to mind: "God's Word tells us that life is sacred to Him. We are created by Him on purpose, and our days are in His hands." We did not argue. We did not frown at each other. As she left, I told her that I would pray that God would change her heart as He had changed mine many years before. I am still praying that the power of God's Word, spoken that day, will continue to pursue her. The promise is in Isaiah 55: 11: "... so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."



I wasn't expecting her response, but I was not surprised by it. I have met many Christians who do not see abortion as the evil it is. They believe the lie that life is not sacred—that it belongs to the individual to do with as he or she pleases. As Christians, because we are still sinners, our deepest held beliefs may not be identical to those held by others in the Body of Christ. In fact, the Apostle Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 11: 18-19: "... I hear that when you come together as a church, there are divisions among you, and to some extent I believe it. No doubt there have to be differences among you to show which of you have God's approval."

As Christians, each one of us should be deeply steeped in God's Word. That is where the truth lies. We don't want to be "right" for our own sake so we can boast in our "right-ness." We should want to be "right" because God is revealing His truth to us, and we have been aligned with His truth. As we labor together in the life arena, let each one of us be so grounded in God's Word that we recognize God's truth and speak it in love.

# FEBRUARY

## Birthdays

2<sup>nd</sup> – Nell Wilson

3<sup>rd</sup> -- Joanne Garloff

4<sup>th</sup> – Ginny Kimberland

5<sup>th</sup> – Hope Mance

5<sup>th</sup> – Alice Miller

5<sup>th</sup> – Charles Wallace

6<sup>th</sup> – Tracey Harris

7<sup>th</sup> -- Tracey Johnson

9<sup>th</sup> – Nancy Gielarowski

10<sup>th</sup> – Margaret Hajduk

11<sup>th</sup> – Jenna Eckels

12<sup>th</sup> – Kitt Kroeger

13<sup>th</sup> – Tracey Coyle

13<sup>th</sup> – Chuck LaJeunesse

16<sup>th</sup> – Nathan Grimenstein

18<sup>th</sup> – Sarah Erbrecht

21<sup>th</sup> – Joyce Wood

22<sup>th</sup> – Olivia Gielarowski

25<sup>th</sup> – Gladys Kolljeski

25<sup>th</sup> – Betty Valentino

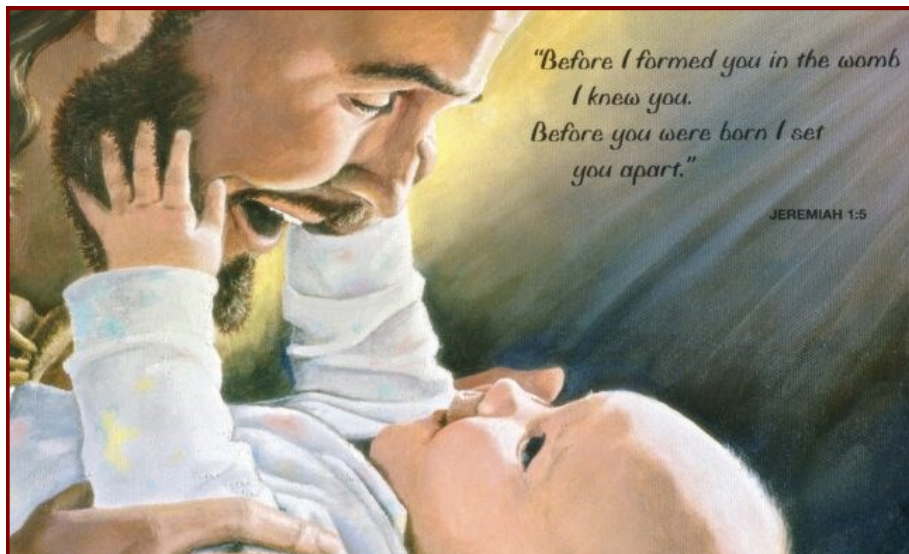
26<sup>th</sup> – Tom Erbrecht

27<sup>th</sup> – Rich Berardelli

27<sup>th</sup> – Kathleen Conn

27<sup>th</sup> – Kristen Neill

28<sup>th</sup> -- Sam Garloff





# February Service Participants

	Elders	Acolytes	Time
Feb 5	Sam Garloff & Mike Wallace Bill Bishop & Roger Diederich	Emily Trentini Daniel Grimenstein	8:00 10:30
Feb 12	Sam Garloff & Mike Wallace Bill Bishop & Roger Diederich	Claire Schrag Christine Chilcott	8:00 10:30
Feb 19	Sam Garloff & Mike Wallace Jim Neill & Roger Diederich	Emily Trentini Elder	8:00 10:30
Feb 26	Sam Garloff & Mike Wallace Bill Bishop & Jim Neill	Lindsey Liberatore Jeremy Dyczewski	8:00 10:30



	Altar Guild	8:00 am Ushers	10:30 am Ushers
Feb	Janet & Marian Oelschlager	Ron Meier, Noah Wallace, Brian & Decklan Pasquini	Dan & Tracey Harris, Sam & Jack Bishop
Mar	Janet & Marian Oelschlager	Megan & Ava Pasquini, Wayne & Barb Oechlein	Bob & Christian Bonacci, Andy & Dwight Weldon



# February 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 2:00 pm Worship & Bible Study	2 7:00 pm Elders' Meeting	3	4 9:00 am Men's Choir
5 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Adult/Teen Bible Study & SS 10:30 am Worship	6 6:00 pm 1st yr Confirmation 6:15 pm Grace Bells 7:00 pm Trustees Mtg. 7:00 pm 2nd yr Confirmation 7:15 pm Choir 8:15 pm Faith Bells	7 7:00 pm Board of Ed Meeting	8 2:00 pm Worship & Bible Study	9 7:00 pm Council Meeting		
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