

Announcements & Activities

West Prairie prayer list:

Jonie Bang, Phyllis Disque, Joyce Greer, Alan Goranson, Brittney Hawke, Dennis Kramer, Ryan Mullins (in the military), Denny Norstrud, Scott Norstrud, Allen Peterson, Jean Peterson, LeAnn Peterson, Roger Peterson, our sister church in the LCMC, St Paul Lutheran Church, Hull, IA, and Bethany Lutheran, McCallsburg, IA.
Please let me or Pastor Tony know of any prayer requests you may have. We will gladly list them. *Cindy at csarver52@gmail.com or 319-931-3570.*

Pictures needed for the LCMC regional newsletter.

If anyone has photos from the Fall Dinner or the Children's Christmas Program, please send them via text or email to Cindy. Thank you for your help. Newsletter is due by Jan. 15th.

Movie Night tonight at 5:30 pm at the church, *The Chosen S3, E5.*

This Week's Activities

Wed., Jan. 11, 2023	9:00 am	WOW Quilt, Mitchell's following
	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Sun., Jan. 15, 2023	8:30 am	Worship, fellowship following and Annual Meeting
	9:45 am	Sunday school

January Volunteers

Fellowship: Jan. 15 — , Annual Meeting
Jan. 22 — Jodi Fjeld
Jan. 29 — Cindy Sarver

Lector: Lanette Branstad

Usher(s):

Altar Flowers:

Communion Prep & Clean-up:

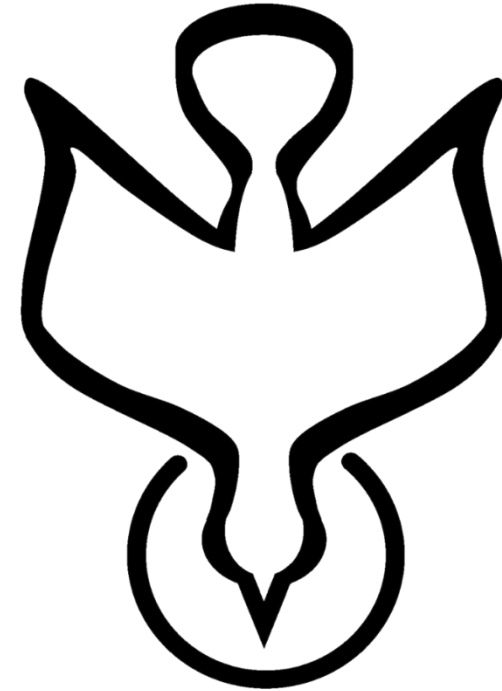
Happy Birthday: Wendell Finer (1/13)

Note: Bulletin Information can be sent to Cindy by email: csarver52@gmail.com or phone-319-931-3570. Entry deadline, Wednesdays at 5:00 pm.

WEST PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH

40041 150th Ave

Leland, Iowa



First Sunday after Epiphany
The Baptism of our Lord

January 8, 2023

Mission: To proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to all through worship, education, outreach, and fellowship.

Communion given the 1st and 4th Sundays in January

Please be advised, the service is livestreamed and posted on the internet.

West Prairie Lutheran Church

40041 150th Avenue, Leland, Iowa

Pastor Tony Scalisi S.T.S

Pastor's email: prarscalisi@outlook.com Pastor's phone: 641-529-9476

Office email: info@westprairiechurch.com Church phone: 641-567-3733

First Sunday after Epiphany January 8, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(*Stand as you are able)

Prelude/Enter joyously to worship the Lord
Welcome and Announcements

*Confession & Forgiveness p. 77

*OPENING HYMN

"Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning" #84

*Greeting p. 78

*The Kyrie p. 78

*Hymn of Praise *"Glory to God in the Highest"* p. 79

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, in Jesus' baptism you declared him to be your beloved Son and set him apart as your agent of grace for your creation. May we who are baptized into his life also be sent as agents of grace in your world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 60: 1-6

PSALMS

Psalm 29: 1-11

SECOND READING

Romans 6: 1-11

*Gospel Acclamation *"Alleluia"* p. 83

"Glory to you, O Lord" p. 83

*HOLY GOSPEL **Matthew 3: 13-17**

"Praise to you, O Christ" p. 83

PULPIT HYMN *"As With Gladness Men of Old"* #82

Children's Message

Sermon

Pastor Tony Scalisi

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"* #90

*Confession of Faith Apostles Creed p. 85

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Sharing of the Peace

The Offering

*The Offertory *"Create in me....."* p. 96

*The Offertory Prayer

*Prayers

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

*The Lord's Prayer p. 97

*The Blessing p. 97

*SENDING HYMN *"All Who Believe and Are Baptized"* #194

Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

† † † † † † †
PIANIST Nancy Scalisi
LECTOR Lanette Branstad

*~Pastor Tony is available for visitations and prayer requests.~
Please call or email with your request.*

The Holy Gospel according to St Matthew the 3rd Chapter

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. ¹⁴ But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵ Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented. ¹⁶ As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



First Sunday after Epiphany

January 8, 2023

The first lesson is from the 60th Chapter of Isaiah

60 "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. ² See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you. ³ Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴ "Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip. ⁵ Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. ⁶ Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the LORD.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



The Epiphany of Our Lord

Let us pray Psalm 29 (responsively)

¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

² **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.**

³ The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD thunders over the mighty waters.

⁴ **The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is majestic.**

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶ **He makes Lebanon leap like a calf, Sirion like a young wild ox.**

⁷ The voice of the LORD strikes with flashes of lightning.

⁸ **The voice of the LORD shakes the desert; the LORD shakes the Desert of Kadesh.**

⁹ The voice of the LORD twists the oaks and strips the forests bare. And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

¹⁰ **The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD is enthroned as King forever.**

¹¹ The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

AMEN

THE
Lord
IS YOUR
Strength

The second lesson is found in the 6th Chapter of Romans

6 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? ² By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? ³ Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with,^[a] that we should no longer be slaves to sin— ⁷ because anyone who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

