WEST PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH 40041 150th Ave Leland, Iowa



Second Sunday after Epiphany January 14, 2024

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

> Communion celebrated the 1st and 4th Sundays in January

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

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ORDER OF WORSHIP (*Stand as you are able)				
Prelude/Enter joyously to worship the Lord Welcome and Announcements				
*Confession & Forgiveness		p. 77		
*OPENING HYMN "Lord Spear	k to Us That We May Speak"	#403		
*Greeting *The Kyrie *Hymn of Praise <i>"Glory to Go</i>	od in the highest"	p. 78 p. 78 p. 79		
May the Lord be with you. And also with you.				
*Prayer of the Day Let us pray. We give you thanks, gracious God that through our baptism you call all of your people, young and old alike, to new life in Christ. By the power of your Spirit help us to daily know, follow, and love you more fully and faithfully; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.				
FIRST READING PSALMS SECOND READING	1 Samuel 3 Psalm 139 1 Corinthians 69	9:1-10		
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*Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	p. 83
"Glory to you, O Lord"		p. 83
*HOLY GOSPEL		John 1:43-51
"Praise to you, O Christ"		p. 83

Children's Message Sermon		Pastor Tony Scalisi	
HYMN OF THE DAY	"He Leadeth	Me" #501	
*Confession of Faith	Apostles' Creed	p. 85	
*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 peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.			
Sharing the Peace.			
The Offering *The Offertory *Offertory Prayer	"Create in me"	p. 75 p. 87	
*The Lord's Prayer		p. 91	
*The Blessing		p. 95	
*SENDING HYMN "They Will Know We Are Christians" GREY HYMNAL #677			
Go in peace, serve the newborn King. Thanks be to God Postlude			
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~Pastor Tony is available for visitations and prayer requests.~ ~ Please call or email with your request.~

The Holy Gospel according to St John the 1st Chapter.

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." ⁴⁶ "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit." ⁴⁸ "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." ⁵⁰ Jesus said, "You believea because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." ⁵¹ He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

The first lesson is from the 3rd Chapter of 1 Samuel

3 The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions. ² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place.³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was.⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down. ⁶Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸A third time the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy.⁹ So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Let us pray Psalm 139 (read responsively)

¹ You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.

² You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

³ You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

⁴ Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.

⁵ You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

⁷ Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

⁸ If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

⁹ If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

¹⁰ Even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

Amen.

The second lesson is found in the 6th Chapter of 1 Corinthians

¹² "I have the right to do anything," you say—but not everything is beneficial. "I have the right to do anything"-but I will not be mastered by anything.¹³ You say, "Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both." The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. ¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶ Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, "The two will become one flesh." ¹⁷ But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit. ¹⁸ Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. ¹⁹ Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

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Announcements & Activities

Prayer list:

Robin Ciuffetti, Phyllis Disque, Irene Eide, Joyce Greer, Brittney Hawke, Martha Messner, Nicholas Oppman, Allen Peterson, Jean Peterson, Jacob Reupke, and *our sister churches in the LCMC:* St. Paul Lutheran Church, Hull, IA, and Shepherd of the Prairie, Huxley, IA.

Please let Pastor Tony know of any prayer requests you may have.

This Week's Activities

Sun., Jan. 21, 2024

9:00 am Worship, fellowship following 10: 30 am Children's Sunday School

January / February Volunteers

 Fellowship: Jan. 21– Jan. 28 – Lanette Branstad Feb. 4 – Colette Reimann
Lector: Jan.: Nancy Scalisi, Feb.: Lisa Durby
Altar Flowers:
Communion Prep & Clean-up: Dave and Sandy Snider

Happy Birthday: Bristol Swanson (1/15), Emerson Schutter (1/17), Cindy Sarver (1/18)