



Announcements

February 16 & 17, 2019

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Carole Halverson in honor of her children and grandchildren.

Prayer List: John Doyle, Curt Sorum, Sierra Waege (granddaughter of Dorothy and Harlen Barck), Brian Brandt, Tonya Ormberg, Rob Yant, Pat Leary, Casey Porisch (great nephew of Karl & Shirley Porisch), Lois Dellwo (sister of Linda VanOverbeke), Vi Thomasson, Brian Gelster & Family (deployment), Val Krogstad, David Valentin (son of Jim & Joanne), Darlene Newman (sister of Janet Landby), Marilyn Green (sister of Shirley Anderson-Porisch), Jenifer Klein's sister, Carla, Vincent & Lucella VanOverbeke (parents of Linda), Larry Pratt (father of Heather Purrington), Dennis Tollefson, Jo Blomme, Al Evers, Bruce and Virginia Drackley (friends of Steve & Ruth Quist), Bob Schrupp.

Thank you for serving!	5:30pm	8:30am	10:45am
Acolytes	Shep Jensen	Eli Pedersen Halle Pedersen	Dylan Larson Sydney Larson
Greeters	Mark & Jennie Jensen	Bob Jacobson & Jill Vroman Charlie & Rylee	Troy, Kristin, Jenna & Rayne Holien
Ushers		CJ, Julie & Jenna Mortier	Mitch & Elizabeth Maxwell
Lectors	Karen Murphy	Julie Mortier	Tyler Sprik
Communion Assistants	Kathy Engler	Tom & Marlene Nordby Rosie Sorum	Brian Kruse
Music	Susan Jones		
Coffee Servers		Denise Myhrberg, Sandy & Sierra Nelson	
Donut Hole Pickup		Feb 17: Marcia Beukelman Feb 24: Dealyn Rose	
Video and Projection	Shelly Maes	Ernie Moe	Ernie Moe, Tanner Fales
Altar Guild	Kitsi Marks, Jessica Myhre, Connie Olson, Donna Reaves, Pam Russell		
Van Driver	Dan Marks - call 828-1769 by 5pm Friday if ride is needed		
Snow Removal	Feb 11-17: Jack Houseman, Brian Kruse Feb 18-24: Chad Andreas, Jim Fischer		

Sunday February 17

8:30am & 10:45am Worship
No TLC
9:30am VBS Meeting - Nursery
9:45am 3 For Heaven Sake

6:00pm G3
6:30pm Women's Choir
7:00pm Chancel Choir
7:00pm Faith Chats/Game Changers
8:00pm Senior High Alive

Monday February 18

Office Closed
6:30pm Beginning Experience

Thursday February 21

3:00pm Serve Esther's Kitchen
5:30pm Bible & Brew

Tuesday February 19

9:00am Prairie Conference Meeting
9:00am Senior Coffee
10:30am Staff Meets

Friday February 22

7:00am Grub Club @ HyVee

Wednesday February 20

Parish Visitor Articles Due
6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Mike's
9:30am Rejoice Bible Study
2:30pm TLC
3:15pm Acolyte Training
4:30pm Youth Praise Practice
5:15pm Worship
5:45pm Light Supper - \$2/person
5:45pm Confirmation (Scavenger Hunt)

Saturday February 23

5:30pm Worship

Sunday February 24

8:30am & 10:45am Worship
9:30am Acolyte Training
9:30am TLC
7:00pm Mission Trip Meeting (youth & adults)

News & Notes

Hy-Vee Cards are available for purchase between services in the narthex! Proceeds go to the Senior High Summer Mission Trip.

First Lutheran night at Loaves & Fishes - Esther's Kitchen will be Thursday, February 21st. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex. We will be volunteering every 3rd Thursday of the month at Esther's Kitchen.

If you had your picture taken for the directory, your complimentary directory and 8 by 10 photo are now available in the Narthex. If you would like to purchase a directory, they are \$5.

2019 Offering Envelopes are available in the Narthex. If you no longer need envelopes ordered for you, please let the office know.

Shetek Wednesday has been rescheduled for Wednesday February 27! Dana will be here to talk about the exciting summer at Shetek. Something for all ages!

Acolyte Training: All 4th Grade Students who wish to be an Acolyte are invited to attend one of the Acolyte Training Sessions offered. You can choose to attend either **Wednesday, February 20th from 3:15-4:15pm** or **Sunday February 24th from 9:30-10:30am**. There will be an installation of new Acolytes during both Worship Services on Sunday, March 10th where you will receive your Acolyte cross and Acolyte Stone for the 4th Grade Milestone Celebration. We hope you will consider becoming an acolyte. Contact Kitsi by email at kmars@iw.net or in the church office at 532-2429 if you have any questions.

If you purchased a poinsettia/Christmas green, you are welcome to take home the greens in the Chancel Area or the large ones in the Narthex.

Today's Readings

Psalm 84:1-7

¹How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! ²My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God. ³Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. ⁴Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise. ⁵Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion. ⁶As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools. ⁷They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

Matthew 13:24-45

²⁴He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" ³¹He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed

in his field; ³²it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." ³³He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." ³⁴Jesus told the crowds all these things in parables; without a parable he told them nothing. ³⁵This was to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet: "I will open my mouth to speak in parables; I will proclaim what has been hidden from the foundation of the world." ³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen! ⁴⁴"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls;