# 2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend of Epiphany

# **January 14 & 15, 2018**

elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful word. Also,

- f Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- We love families! Your children are welcome in our service! Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children's bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- f Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- f If you want to review or share today's service, you can find it on our website.
- f For upcoming events and activities, "like" us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

# TODAY'S THEME: SPEAK, YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING

# **Worship Participants**

| Liturgist | Pastor Jacob Hoff  |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Preacher  | Pastor Brian Adams |
| Organist  | Mrs. Sharon Larsen |

## **OUR WORSHIP SERVICE**

#### **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

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8:00 AM – HOLY BAPTISM SERVICE BEGINS ON PAGE 4

THE OPENING HYMN ..... ."The Only Son from Heaven" Christian Worship #86 1 The Fore - told Son en, on heav 2 Oh. God Oh, time of ap point ed, it wak - en. Lord. spir То know and our Fa - ther, here be fore you With God an - cient God seers, He King ho - ly morn! comes. the a - noint love you more, In faith to stand un shak Ho - ly Ghost Je - sus, And we dore a sphere his hu - man form pears. Christ, the vir born, death spir - it to dore, That we, through Pride an gel host. fore you light con ing, No bright - ly To heav'n con - quer for us, pen this world mov ing, Each glimpse of heav - en mor - tals low Cry "Ho - ly, ho - lv. ing shin As he, our Morn Star. fore And bring life gain. us us May prov ing, reap its full - ness there.

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#### Please Stand

#### THE INVOCATION

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

# THE CONFESSION OF SINS

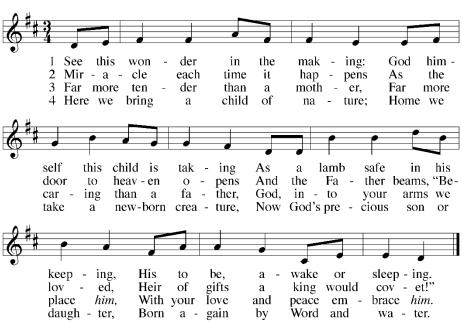
- **P:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C: Amen.

10:30 AM & 6:30 PM services continue on Page 7 – Prayer and Praise

HOLY BAPTISM ......8:00 AM ONLY

THE OPENING HYMN ...... "See This Wonder in the Making"

Christian Worship #300



#### THE INVOCATION

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

# **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**P:** Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by

giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

- C: Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.
- **P:** As baptized children of God we confess our sins:
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

# **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

- **P:** In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us: "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy, and peace to little children. By the power of God's Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.
- **P:** Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.
  - Melody Leanne Caton, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Please Stand

# **EXHORTATION**

#### P: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Melody may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

- C: Yes, as God gives me strength.
- P: Let us pray.

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Melody and grant her a rich measure of your Spirit that she may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

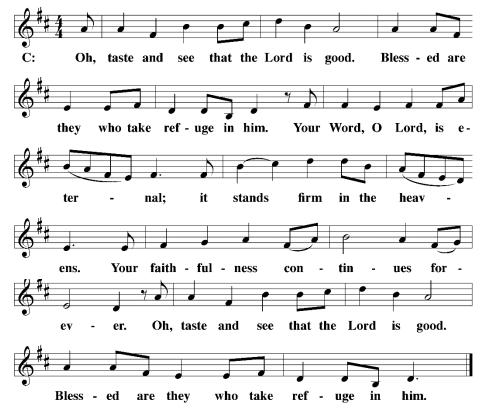
C: Amen.

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## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**P:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

# **OH, TASTE AND SEE**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

# P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.



#### Please be Seated

# **THE WORD**

<sup>3:1</sup> The boy Samuel ministered before the Lord under Eli. In those days the word of the Lord was rare; there were not many visions.

<sup>2</sup> One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. <sup>3</sup> 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. <sup>4</sup> Then the Lord called Samuel.

Samuel answered, "Here I am." <sup>5</sup> 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.

<sup>6</sup> Again 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."

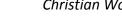
<sup>7</sup> Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord: The word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him.

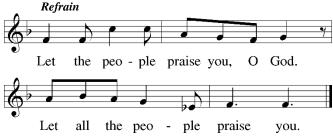
<sup>8</sup> A third time the Lord called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me."

Then Eli realized that the Lord was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup> 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.

<sup>10</sup> The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

....Psalm 67







May God be gracious to us and <u>bless</u> us\* and make his face shine up<u>on</u> us;

may your ways be known on earth,\* your salvation among all <u>nations</u>.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy,\* for you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations of the earth.

# Refrain

Then the land will yield its <u>har</u>vest,\* and God, our God, will <u>bless</u> us.

God will <u>bless</u> us,\* and all the ends of the earth will <u>fear</u> him.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

# Refrain

<sup>13</sup> But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters loved by the Lord, because God chose you as firstfruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup> He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>15</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter.

<sup>16</sup> May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, <sup>17</sup> encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

#### **VERSE OF THE DAY**

**P:** Alleluia. He said to me, "You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor." Alleluia. (Isaiah 49:3 –cf. NIV)

#### Please Stand

# THE GOSPEL LESSON John 1:43-51

<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."

<sup>44</sup> Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. <sup>45</sup> 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."

<sup>46</sup> "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked.

"Come and see," said Philip.

<sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit."

<sup>48</sup> "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked.

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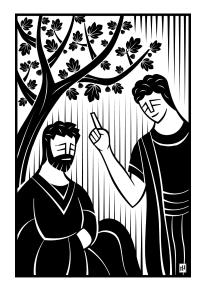
Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you."

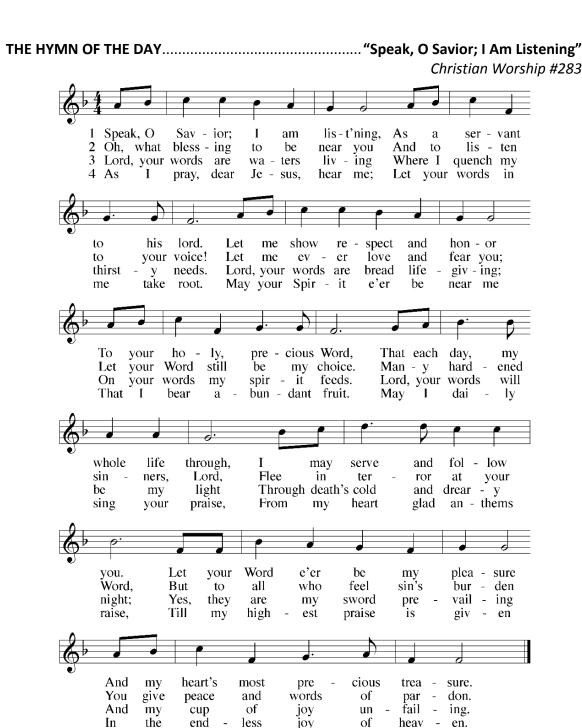
<sup>49</sup> Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel."

<sup>50</sup> Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." <sup>51</sup> 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."



Please be Seated





#### Please Stand

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be Seated

# **THANKSGIVING**

#### THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

**P:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### THE BLESSING

**P:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



Please be Seated



Lord. full di ence. Ho - lv 2 Teach us. 0 be and re Help us Speak, O Lord, new our minds;



of your Ho - ly Word. Take your truth, plant it ceive\_the food ence. true hu - mil - i - tv. Test our thoughts and our heights of your plans for us. Truths un-changed from the grasp the



deep in us; Shape and fash-ion us in your like - ness That the at - ti tudes In the ra - di - ance of your pur - i - ty. Cause our dawn of time. That will e - cho down through e - ter - ni-tv. And by



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faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful - fill All vour deeds of er fail. Let their thor -i tv. Words of pow'r that can nev -Speak, O Lord, as your Church is built And you walk with us.



BAPTISM: Today in the 8:00 AM service Melody Leanne Caton will be received into God's kingdom through holy baptism. Melody is the daughter of Seth and Katherine Caton. Serving as her godparents are H. Michael Shannon Shoulders, Jr. and Kristin Marie Ramanio. May the Lord bless this family as they grow together in Christ.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Andy & Shelley Goede in honor of their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES: The 2018 Offering Envelopes are in the hallway outside of the Bible classroom. If you contribute electronically and do not need a set of envelopes, please let the office know. If you did not receive a set of envelopes, please call the office.

**2018 GREETER SCHEDULE**: Thank you to those who greet us before services each week! The 2018 Greeter Schedules are in your church mailboxes.

MEDITATIONS AND FORWARD IN CHRIST 2018 SUBSCRIPTIONS: It's time to renew! The current Meditations and Forward in Christ subscriptions will expire on March 1st. There is a sign- up sheet on the counter in the narthex if you would like to renew, or become a new subscriber. Please sign up by January 31st. Payment is due when you sign up -please place your payment in the basket next to the sign-up sheet.

MARY & MARTHA: Mary and Martha Society will be meeting this Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Pastor Joseph Radsek from Wisconsin Lutheran Institutional Ministries. All ladies of the congregation are invited to join Mary & Martha and everyone is welcome to come and hear Pastor Radsek's presentation.

ARE YOU A THRIVENT MEMBER? If you answered yes, did you know you have grant money and Choice dollars that can be used at St. Paul's? We can show you how you can help St. Paul's by using grant money and directing your Choice dollars. If you're not a member and would like to still be able to help, you can still get grant money by signing up to be an associate member. Our Thrivent advocate Stacy Boldt will be holding some informational meetings for you to come and hear how to use grants, help you sign up to be an associate member and help on directing Choice dollars. Our first meeting will be on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Bible Study room. Dinner will be provided.

Feel free to come to one of the informational meetings to see how you can help. If you have any questions, please contact Stacy at (262) 470-7253.

**SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**: St. Paul's Lutheran School has been an educational tradition in Franklin for 150 years, and we are showing off our school on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM. Come see why our families love being a part of our school! Grab a snack, meet teachers, see classrooms and learn about the great education available to students from 3K through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. If that day doesn't work for your schedule, call and set up a time to visit. We look forward to seeing you!

**GALA UPDATE**: The planning of the Gala is complete! In order for our Gala to be a success, we are looking for items for our attendees to bid on! We would love to include items from members of our congregation. Do you or someone you know provide a service, or create unique items? Please prayerfully consider how you can contribute to our event. There are also specific areas that we can use your help. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex – please take a look! If you have any questions, please contact Jaime Petricek at (414) 238-5122.

MISSION FESTIVAL & "POT-LUCK DINNER": On February 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> we will have a WELS missionary preaching in our services. Following the 10:30 am service, we will have an "old fashioned" pot-luck dinner served in the school. Please bring a dish, salad or dessert to be served. In order to assist in planning, there is a sign-up sheet in the back of church indicating what you want to bring to the meal.

**KOINE IN WORSHIP:** The band named "Koine" will be joining us for worship on Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. Please come and join us that Sunday. For more information, please look at the January 2018 church newsletter.

**SAVE THE DATE**: Vacation Bible Camp will be held July 9-13, 2018! Registration will begin in late spring.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT CENTER**: The Early Childhood Enrichment Center is now accepting registration for the 2018-2019 school year. In order to enroll, children must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2018. Interested families may contact Mrs. Patti Krizan and Mrs. Nancy Willms at (414) 421-1833. Enrollment opportunities will be opened to the community after February 1, 2018.

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: We are studying the topic: "Idols We Never Knew We Had." A wood-carved animal figurine. A chiseled stone statue. A golden goddess. Do you have an idol-worship area set up in your home? We would say "Definitely not! I don't bow down to idols!" But sometimes we do worship idols and make them our gods, not even realizing they are there. Our upcoming study will bring to light these idols that hide themselves so easily in our homes and hearts, and through God's guidance and power we'll get help to avoid worshiping these false gods. Please come and join us. We begin at 8:00am. Breakfast is also served. Below is our schedule:

Idols We Never Knew We Had:

Politics – February 10, 2018 Family – February 24, 2018 Religion – March 10, 2018

**PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR:** Join us at Power Hour two Thursdays a month! Open to children ages 0-4 with their caregivers. Meet us in the church narthex from 10:45-11:45 AM on the following dates: January 25<sup>th</sup>, February 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, April 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information. There are also extra copies on the narthex counter to pass along to a friend!

WLHS 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE EXTRAVAGANZA: Attention all 5th grade students and parents! Wisconsin Lutheran High School is hosting a 5th Grade Extravaganza just for you on Sunday, January 28, from 5:30–7:30 p.m. The evening is free and includes dinner and a fun night of entertainment. Plus, we're giving away a Chromebook and other prizes! We'll have exciting science experiments, robot demonstrations, music, basketball and lots more. To reserve your spot, please RSVP by Monday, January 22, at <a href="www.wlhs.org/5thgrade">www.wlhs.org/5thgrade</a>. For questions, contact Director of Admissions Brad Wetzel at <a href="mailto:brad.wetzel@wlhs.org">brad.wetzel@wlhs.org</a>, or <a href="mailto:414-453-4567">414-453-4567</a> ext. 1322.

**CREATION MUSEUM TOUR:** Friends of Wisco are invited to attend a special bus tour to visit the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter in Petersburg, Ky., June 7-10, 2018, hosted by WLHS president Pastor Ken Fisher and WLHS Foundation executive director Kristine Metzger. We expect the trip to fill up fast, so consider making this an early Christmas present to your spouse, yourself, or a family member! Deadline to register is Wednesday, January 31, 2018. Cost and registration details can be found at <a href="https://www.wlhs.org/creationtour">www.wlhs.org/creationtour</a>.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

# **GREETERS THIS WEEK (January 14 & 15)**

8:00 AM – Jean Villwock

10:30 AM - Brian & Kristal Young; Noelle, Declan & Parker

**6:30 PM** – sign up to be a greeter!

# **GREETERS NEXT WEEK (January 21 & 22)**

8:00 AM - Dave & Marlene Horn

10:30 AM – Jack & Kathie Klunder

6:30 PM - Richard & Kathy Hinz

#### **USHERS FOR JANUARY**

8:00 AM – TEAM #1 – Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Josh Ebeling, Philip Becker

10:30 AM – TEAM #5 – Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Gary Eickhorst, Dan Mertz, Brett

Abramowski

6:30 PM - TEAM #9 - Terry Plant, John Kiesow

#### **ALTAR GUILD**

Jan 10-16 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

Jan 17-23 – TEAM #1 – Sherry Kosovich, Beverly Garves, Sue Stempel

#### REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Jan 14: Set-up – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug

Jan 21: Set-up – John & Jean Terek, Clean-up – Chris & Naomi Hathaway

#### THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

# Sunday, January 14

| Worship Service   | MA 00:88 |
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| Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Bible Information Class |          |
| Worship Service   | 10:30 AM |

# Monday, January 15

| Pastor Conference | 9:00 AM |
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| Worship Service   | 6:30 PM |

| Tuesday, January 16                                     |          |
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| PSCIC   | 6:00 PM  |
| Mary Martha   | 6:30 PM  |
| Board of Spiritual Growth                               | 7:00 PM  |
| Wednesday, January 17                                   |          |
| Adult Choir Rehearsal                                   |          |
| Thrivent Informational Meeting                          | 6:30 PM  |
| Men's Open Gym  | 7:30 PM  |
| Friday, January 19                                      |          |
| School Devotion   | 8:30 AM  |
| Sunday, January 21                                      |          |
| Worship Service with Communion                          | 8:00 AM  |
| Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Bible Information Class | 9:15 AM  |
| Worship Service with Communion                          | 10:30 AM |

#### Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 94, Communed – 76 10:30 AM – 166, Communed – 120 6:30 PM – 70, Communed – 48 Total Attendance – 330 Total Communed – 244

Sunday Bible Class – 33 Bible Information Class – 3