2nd Weekend of Lent

February 25 & 26, 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: THE CALL TO SUFFER

Worship Participants

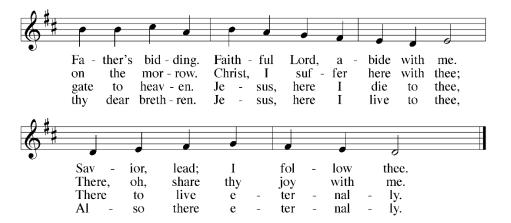
Liturgist	Pastor Brian Adams
Preacher	Pastor Jacob Hoff
Organist	Miss Heather Schmidt

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

THE COMMON SERVICE WITH COMMUNION

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THE OPENING HYMN"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" Christian Worship #452 1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, To 3 Let us al - so die with Je - sus. His death from the 4 Let us glad - ly live with Je - sus; Since he's ris - en am - ple pure, Flee the world which would de - ceive e'er con - form; Heav - en's glo - ry soon will please sec - ond death, From our soul's de - struc - tion, frees from the dead, Death and grave must soon re - lease to sin al - lure. And our souls Ev - er Sun - shine fol - low on the storm. Though we sow in Ouick - ens us with life's glad breath. Let us mor - ti sus, thou art now our head. We are tru - ly foot - steps tread - ing, Bod - y here, yet soul tears of sor - row, We shall reap in heav'n - ly joy. fy, while liv - ing, Flesh and blood and die to sin, thine own mem-bers: Where thou liv - est, there live we. faith and Full of hope and Let us the fears that Shall be laugh - ter now an - nov the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the Take and own us con - stant - ly, Faith - ful Friend, as



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8:00 AM & 6:30 PM services continue on Page 6 - The Invocation

HOLY BAPTISM 10:30 AM ONLY

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.
 - Tyler Patrick Amann, 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 Tyler 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 Tyler and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he 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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THE INVOCATION

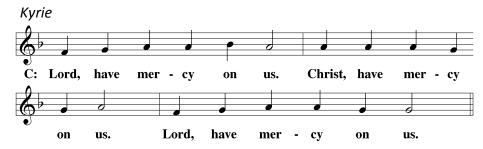
P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



THE CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- 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.

LORD, HAVE MERCY



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.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis



THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you see that we have no power to defend ourselves. Guard and keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christo our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

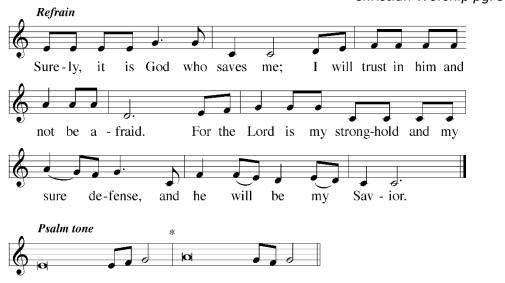


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Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. ¹¹ When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. ¹² He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ There above it stood the LORD, and he

said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. ¹⁴ Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it." ¹⁷ He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."



I am always with <u>you</u>, O LORD;* you hold me by my <u>right</u> hand.

You guide me with your <u>coun</u>sel,* and afterward you will take me into glory.

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My flesh and my <u>heart</u> may fail,* but God is the strength of my heart and my portion for<u>ev</u>er.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.



THE SECOND LESSON......Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces

perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. (*Philippians 2:8*)

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THE GOSPEL LESSON...... Mark 8:31-38



He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."



THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

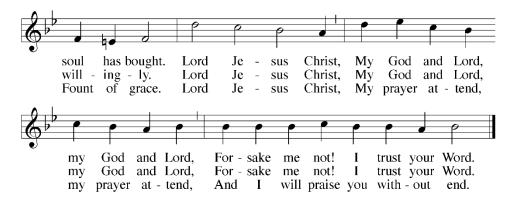
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE HYMN OF THE DAY......" "Lord, You I Love with All My Heart"

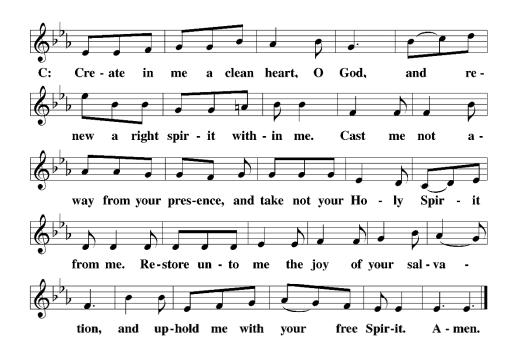
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O Son of God, your glo-rious face, My Sav-ior and my

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THE OFFERING

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

THE OFFERING PRAYER

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

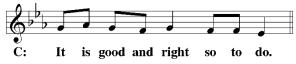
P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



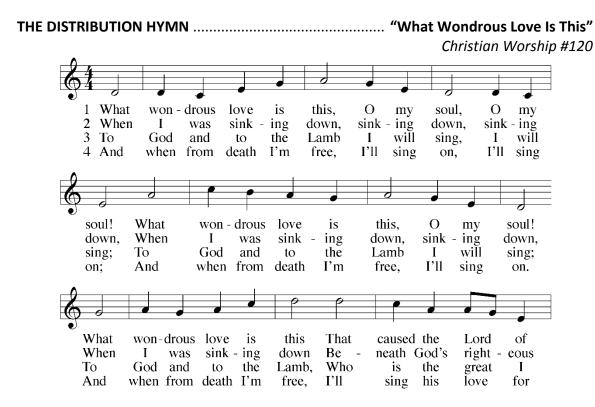
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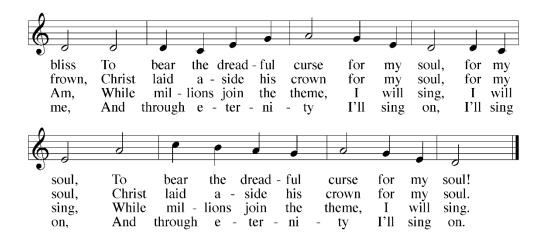
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DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a miracle. By God's power, the Lord's body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord's Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord's Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice "close communion." We invite all who are members of St. Paul's or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul's, please feel free to contact one of the pastors.

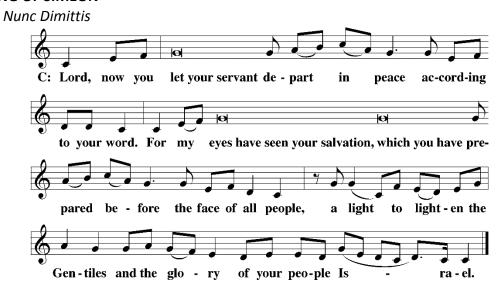


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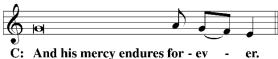


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SONG OF SIMEON



P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE BLESSING

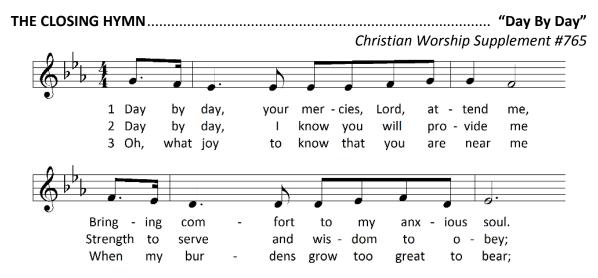
P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISM: Today in the 10:30 AM service Tyler Patrick Amann will be received into God's kingdom through holy baptism. Tyler is the son of Thomas Amann and Jill Maderich. Serving as his godparents are Randall Maderich and Lisa Diamantopoulos. May the Lord bless this family as they grow together in Christ.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Marge Gebert in celebration of Don Gebert's 90th birthday on February 25th!

SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS: If you didn't have a chance to attend the Science Fair this past Thursday night, the projects are still on display in the gym! Please feel free to take a look at them!

GRADE SCHOOL ART PROJECT: Mrs. Becker is planning a paper mache art project and could use your eggs cartons, newspapers and small boxes. If you have any of these items, please bring them to church by next Sunday, March 4th.

BUDGET UPDATE: Through January we are 17% below our budgeted General Fund contributions. This amount excludes the 2017 Summer Appeal as that was needed to try and close the 2016 Budget shortfall. The budgeted shortfalls have significantly reduced our General Fund cash balance and raised the likelihood of drawing on our line of credit. Prayerfully consider your Stewardship (Time, Talent, and Treasures) so that we can continue to complete and expand the Mission of St. Paul's.

	Month of January			January Year-to-Date				
				%				%
	Actual *	Budget	Variance	Variance	Actual *	Budget	Variance	Variance
General Fund	66,265	51,115	15,150	30%	330,319	396,144	(65,825)	-17%
								%
					Actual *	Prior Year	Variance	Variance
					330,319	304,269	26,050	9%
* Excludes 2017	Summer Sp	ecial Appe	al					

LENT 2018: The letter to the Hebrews calls Jesus our "great high priest." This Lenten season, we explore this powerful name of Christ. We will rediscover the perfect life of compassion, service, and sacrifice that Jesus lived for us. Then we will see that Christ serving as our Great High Priest is assurance of our redemption through him alone and motivation for humble works in his name. Services are at 3:30pm and 6:30pm beginning this coming Wednesday.

The Schedule for our Midweek Lent service is as follows:

February 14 - "Jesus is our Self-sacrificing High Priest" (Pastor Hoff)

February 21 - "Jesus is Our Compassionate High Priest" (Pastor Unnasch)

February 28 - "Jesus is Our Great High Priest." (Pastor Gaertner)

March 7 - "Jesus is Our Perfect High Priest." (Pastor Adams)

March 14 - "Jesus Our Great High Priest Makes Us Priests" (Pastor Unnasch)

March 21 - "Jesus Our Great High Priest Serves at a Great Altar." (Pastor Marshall)

USHERS NEEDED: We still have open spots on our crews where we could really use ushers! Please prayerfully consider becoming an usher for your church – your help is greatly appreciated! If you are interested, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP: We are looking for a young adult that can assist Kyle Brightsman in leading the Youth Group. We are also looking for volunteers to help with serving the snacks at our meetings. If you are able to help, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

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:

Family – February 24, 2018

Religion – March 10, 2018

GALA UPDATE: 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.

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

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: March 8th & 22nd, April 12th & 26th and May 10th & 24th. 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!

GET READY TO MAKE A SPLASH! Wisconsin Lutheran High School invites 4th and 6th grade students, on separate nights from 5:30-7:30 p.m., to a fun evening of waterslides and swimming at Country Springs Waterpark Hotel in Pewaukee. There is no cost, however at least one parent must attend with their child. Kids will swim and the parents will learn more about WLHS. **4th grade students are invited on Monday, March 5, and must RSVP by Monday, February 26. 6th grade students are invited on Monday, March 12, and must RSVP by Monday, March 5.** RSVP by going to www.wlhs.org/splash.

WLHS DANCE CAMP: The WLHS Varsity Dance Team will be holding their annual Dance Camp on Saturday, March 17, from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. Cost is \$10 to attend and \$7.50 for a t-shirt. Registration information can be found at www.wlhs.org/jrvikings. Registration deadline is Thursday, March 1. We would love to see so many future WLHS Dancers there! For questions, please contact Head Coach Aryn Ebben at wlhsvarsitydance@gmail.com.

WLHS MUSICAL: How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying—Big business means big laughs in this delightfully clever lampoon of life on the corporate ladder. Winner of the Tony award for Best Musical and the Pulitzer Prize, this tune-filled comic gem follows the rise of J. Pierpont Finch, who uses a mixture of charming innocence and smarts to advance from window washer to high powered executive. Performances will be held

on Friday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 3, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 4, at 1:30 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium. Reserved seat tickets are available at the WLHS reception desk, or by printing out the online ticket order form at www.wlhs.org/finearts. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children in 8th grade and younger. Before the Friday, March 2, performance you can enjoy the Choir Associates Spaghetti Dinner served in the cafeteria from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Wisco Kids and Inspiration will perform during the dinner. Tickets will be sold at the door, adults \$10 and children \$8.

LUTHER PREP MUSICAL: Luther Preparatory School is happy to present this year's musical, *Beauty and the Beast*. Performances are on March 9th, 10th & 11th at 7:00 PM in the Luther Prep auditorium. Tickets for reserved seats are available online at www.ticketsource.us/lutherprep or by calling Luther Prep at (920) 261-4352 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS THIS WEEK (February 25 & 26)

8:00 AM - Josh & Allison Ebeling; Henry & Evelyn

10:30 AM – Larry & Marion Klug

6:30 PM – {sign up to be a greeter!}

GREETERS FOR MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE (February 28)

3:30 PM – 7th & 8th Grade

6:30 PM – Dave & Dawn Brightsman

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (March 4 & 5)

8:00 AM – Larry & Lucille Ellenberger

10:30 AM – Jack & Kathie Klunder

6:30 PM - Richard & Kathy Hinz

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

8:00 AM – TEAM #2 – Bob Goelz, Larry McKee, Tony Tripoli, Steve Mess

10:30 AM – TEAM #6 – Nick Derouin, Mark Derouin, Connor Henry, Bob

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

USHERS FOR MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE (February 28)

3:30 PM – 7th & 8th Grade Students

6:30 PM - TEAM #3 - Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Todd Grunze, Frank Krajewski

USHERS FOR MARCH

8:00 AM – TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Todd Grunze, Frank Krajewski **10:30 AM** – TEAM #7 – David Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Nolan Romeis, Randy Raduenz, Luke Raduenz

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

ALTAR GUILD

Feb 21-27 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer Feb 28-Mar 6 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Feb 25: Set-up – John & Jean Terek, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug

Mar 4: Set-up – Tony Tripoli & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Mark & Kristin Hernon

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 25

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

Monday, February 26

Worship Service with Communion6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 27

Wednesday, February 28

Midweek Lenten Service	3:30 PM
Midweek Lenten Service	6:30 PM
Men's Open Gym	7:30 PM

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Thursday, March 1 NO SCHOOL

Friday, March 2 NO SCHOOL

Sunday, March 4

Worship Service with Communion	8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Bible Information Class	9:15 AM
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Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM - , 10:30 AM - 158, 6:30 PM - 31

Midweek Lent 3:30 PM - 104, 6:30 PM - 44

Sunday School - 16