Epiphany 3 January 24 & 25, 2016



Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

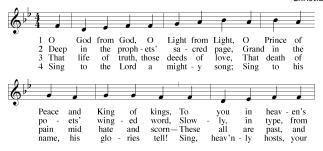
Our Worship Service

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WELCOME

Milazzo BAPTISM 10:30 AM- SERVICE BEGINS ON PAGE 3

"O God From God, O Light from Light" THE OPENING HYMN Christian Worship #85



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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

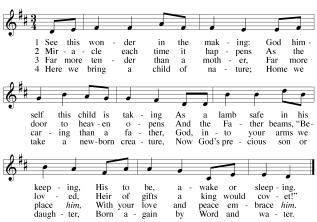
- P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. 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.

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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.

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C: And also with you.

THE 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.

Kendall Joy Milazzo, 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 Kendall 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 Kendall 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 sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be Seated

Speaking through the prophet Isaiah 700 years before he took on human flesh, Jesus explains that he was anointed, or chosen, by God to proclaim the good news of salvation to sinners.

61:1 The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, 3 and provide for those who grieve in Zion— to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendor. 4 They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations. 5 Aliens will shepherd your flocks; foreigners will work your fields and vineyards. 6 And you will be called priests of the LORD, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast.

THE PSALM OF THE DAYPsalm 19

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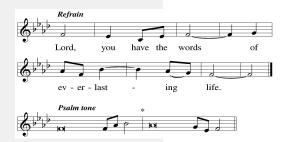




The heavens declare the glory of God;*
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Their voice goes out into <u>all</u> the earth,* their words to the ends <u>of</u> the world.

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The law of the LORD is <u>perfect</u>,*
giving joy <u>to</u> the heart.

The commands of the LORD are <u>radiant</u>,*
giving light <u>to</u> the eyes.

They are more pre<u>cious</u> than gold;*
they are sweeter than <u>honey</u>.

By them is your <u>ser</u>vant taught;*
in keeping them there is <u>great</u> reward.

Refrain

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart* be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Redeemer.

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

Refrain

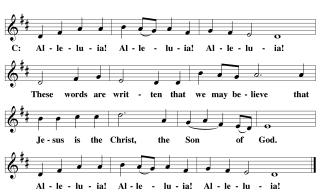
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All believers belong to the body of Christ. There is to be no strife, bitterness, or jealousy among us since we have all been united by the forgiving love of Christ.

¹² The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Now the body is not made up of one part but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" ²⁶ If one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. ²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. Alleluia. (Matthew 4:23)



Junior Choir Anthem (8:00am)

In a lowly manger born, humble life begun in scorn;
Under Joseph's watchful eye, Jesus grew as you and I;
Knew the suff'rings of the weak, knew the patience of the meek,
Hungered as but poor folk can; this is he. Behold the man!
Oh, that I had a thousand voices to praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices, would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be, what great things God has done for me!
Visiting the lone and lost, steadying the tempest-tossed,
Giving of himself in love, calling minds to things above.
Sinners gladly hear his call; publicans before him fall,
For in him new life begun; this is he, Behold the man!
Then, to rescue you and me, Jesus died upon the tree.
See in him God's love revealed; by his passion we are healed.
Now he lives in glory bright, lives again in pow'r and might;
Come and take the path he trod, son of Mary, son of God.

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON......Luke 4:14-21

In the synagogue in Nazareth in Galilee, Jesus reads a prophecy from Isaiah about the promised Messiah and announces that he is the Lord's Anointed, the fulfillment of the prophecy. He is the One who was to come and speak Good News to all people.

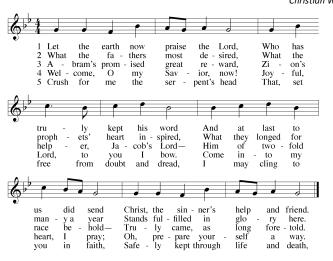
¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. 15 He taught in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. 16 He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read. 17 The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: 18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, 19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." 20 Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, 21 and he began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."



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CHILDREN'S TALK10:30 AM

THE HYMN OF THE DAY. "Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord" Christian Worship #28



6 And, when you shall come again As a glorious king to reign, I with joy may see your face, Freely ransomed by your grace.

Text: Heinrich Held, 1620–59, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND (77 77) Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, Wittenberg, 1524.

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THE SERMON . Luke 4:14-21 Who is this Jesus? Who Speaks Good News?

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

THE OFFERING

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

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

THE PRAYERS

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.

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Please Stand

P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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THE BENEDICTION

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.

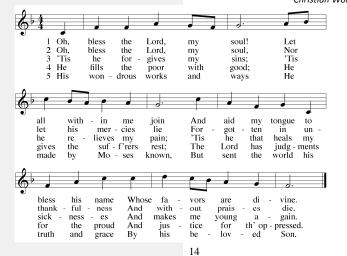
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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



Please be Seated





Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher	Pastor Brian Adams
Organist	Mrs. Bethany Parsons
FlutistsNa	ncy Willms, Bethany Parsons, Marie Becker

Announcements

BAPTISM: Today in the 10:30 AM service Kendall Joy Milazzo will be received into God's kingdom through holy baptism. Kendall is the infant daughter of Karen and John Milazzo. Serving as her sponsors are Roberto and Kendra Matus. May the Lord bless Kendall and her family as they grow together in Christ.

150th **ANNIVERSAY COMMITTEE:** The 150th Anniversary Committee will meet on Tuesday, January 26th at 6:30pm.

BOARD OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH: The Board of Spiritual Growth will meet on Wednesday, January 27th, at 6:30pm.

BOARD OF ELDERS: The Board of Elders are meeting on Wednesday, January 27th at 6:30pm.

CHURCH COUNCIL & BOARD MEMBERS BIBLE STUDY: All who serve on the Church Council and other Boards at St. Paul's are invited to join us on Thursday, January 28th, as we continue to study God's Word and see God's Mission for His Church. We begin at 6:30pm, and we will end at 7:30pm. Upcoming monthly dates are on Thursdays, beginning at 6:30pm on February 25th, March 17th, April 28th and May 19th.

2016 MEN OF HIS WORD CONFERENCE: The 7th Annual MOHW Conference will be held at the Oshkosh Convention Center & Waterfront Hotel on Saturday, February 20, 2016. Additional details and online registration are available at www.menofhisword.org for the first 650 men (\$40 by February 7th; \$50 from February 8th -14th). Please join us for a day in God's Word that you will not soon forget!

ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS NEEDED: St. Paul's Altar Guild is looking for some additional volunteers. Their primary responsibility is to prepare the altar area for our worship services. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jane Koplein at (414) 510-9291 or by email at

<u>janee2005@outlook.com</u>. On Monday, February 3rd, there will be an Altar Guild Meeting for all Altar Guild members at 7:30pm.

MIDWEEK LENT 2016: "Irony" is not a word that most people would ascribe to Jesus' passion. However, certain events in the gospel accounts—Caiaphas' unintentional prophesy, the Jewish leaders' hypocrisy, and others—are actually quite ironic. This year's theme is "Ironies of the Passion" will lead us to learn about the unique and lasting significance of Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection. The services are on Wednesdays beginning on February 10th at 3:30 pm & 6:30 pm. The schedule is:

Ash Wednesday (Feb. 10) – "This Man Went Home Justified" (Pastor Adams) Lent 2 (Feb. 17) – "It is Better that One Man Die for the People (Pastor Unnasch)

Lent 3 (Feb. 24) - "He Had Been Waiting to See Jesus" (Pastor Gaertner)

Lent 4 (Mar. 2) – "We Have No King but Caesar" (Pastor Hoff)

Lent 5 (Mar. 9) – "Don't You Fear God" (Pastor Ellenberger)

Lent 6 (Mar. 16) – "Not During the Feast" (Pastor Marshall)

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR JACOB HOFF: St. Paul's welcomes Pastor Jacob Hoff as an Associate Pastor of our congregation. We invite you to join us for his Installation Service on Sunday, February 14th at 3:00pm. As many of you know, Pastor Hoff joins us from Sterling, Virginia. Pastor Ian Headrick, one of the Associate Pastors at Christ Lutheran in Big Bend will be delivering the sermon. The students from our Christian Day School and Adult Choir will be participating in the service as well. Following the worship service, there will be a meal to which everyone is invited to join us.

EPIPHANY SEASON: This weekend, we continue to celebrate the Festival of Epiphany of Our Lord. Epiphany is Christendom's second oldest festival; it has been celebrated continuously by the Church for nearly 1900 years. Even though the date of Epiphany is January 6, it is often celebrated on one of Sundays closest to that date. The festival was originally a general celebration of the incarnation of Jesus Christ which included the commemoration of his birth, the visit of the Magi (Wise Men), all of Jesus' childhood events up to and including his baptism. Today, the Eastern Orthodox Church celebrates Epiphany as the festival of Christ's birth, and the Western Church stresses the visit of the Magi. The season of Epiphany (the Greek word for "appearance") celebrates God's revealing or manifesting of Jesus' identity as true God, Messiah, and Savior of the world. Epiphany not only commemorates the fact that Jesus appeared to save us, but that God revealed the identity of Jesus to the world. The season of Epiphany will conclude on February 7th & 8th, with the festival of the Transfiguration of our Lord.

Our theme for the next weekends will look at the answer to this question: "Who is this Jesus?" The themes for each Sunday are:

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January 10 & 11 – Who Wise Men Seek (Epiphany)

January 17 & 18 - Who Does Miraculously Things (Epiphany 2) January 24 & 25 – Who Speaks Good News (Epiphany 3)

January 31 & Feb. 1 – Who Speaks to Young People (WISCO Sunday)

February 7 & 8 – Who Appears in Glory (Transfiguration Sunday)

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS: The theme for our Sunday Bible Class is: "The House of the Lord." God intended for Adam and Eve to live forever with him in the Garden of Eden. What a wonderful proposition - perfect people living with the perfect Creator. But Adam and Eve sinned and had to leave the Garden. God could have let them go their own way and then started over. Instead, he again made it possible for him to live among his people. How he did that is the subject of this study. Using examples of the types of homes we might live in, we will see God's plan for making "houses" in which he could live among us here on earth and in eternity. Those "homes" are:

The Lord's First House (The Garden of Eden)

The Lord's Mobile Home (The Tabernacle)

The Lord's Palace (The Temple)

The Lord's Model Home (Jesus Christ)

The Lord's Current Residence (The Church)

The Lord's Dream House (Heaven)

Please come and join us on Sunday mornings at 9:15am.

WISCONSIN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL A CAPPELLA CHOIR: The A Cappella Choir of WLHS will be here on Sunday, January 31st for the Sunday services. Pastor Timothy Soukup, who serves on the Board of Directors for WLHS, will be our guest speaker that weekend. Even though the choir will only be here on Sunday, January 31st, Pastor Soukup will also preach the Monday service to share the blessings and opportunities of WLHS. All are welcome to join us.

2016 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: The 2016 Contribution Statements are in the church mailboxes.

MEDITATIONS AND FORWARD IN CHRIST 2016 SUBSCRIPTIONS: There is a sign-up sheet on the counter in the narthex if you would like to subscribe to either, Meditations or Forward in Christ. Please have your checks to the church/school office by JANUARY 31ST.

150TH ANNIVERSARY PROJECT: God has blessed St. Paul's for 150 years with his Grace. Out of thanks for the Grace of God, we have begun to undertake the project of replacing our organ. The final cost of the organ is \$58,150. To date, we have received \$48,597. PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHURCH MAILBOXES FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ORGAN FUND RAISING.

10:30 AM - Andy Backus 6:30 PM - Donna LaBlanc

USHERS FOR JANUARY:

10:30 AM TEAM #5- Mark Klein, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Mertz,

630 PM TEAM #9-Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY:

8:00 AM TEAM #2-Bob Goelz, Todd Flunker, Scott Sievert, Tony Tripoli, Steve Mess 10:30 AM TEAM #6-Andy Goede, Reed Goede, Nolan Romeis, Cooper Goede, Zach Matthew, Austin Hennen-Petricek, Dawson Ziegler

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EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT CENTER: The Early Childhood Enrichment Center is now accepting registration for the 2016-2017 school year. In order to enroll, children must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2016. Interested families may contact Mrs. Patti Krizan or Mrs. Nancy Willms at 421-1833. Enrollment opportunities will be opened to the community after February 1, 2016.

WLHS DANCE CAMP: The WLHS Varsity Dance Team will be hosting a Dance Camp for interested dancers in Kindergarten through 8th Grade on Saturday, March 5, from 12:30-4:30 p.m. at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. It will be a fun-filled afternoon learning a routine and perfecting dance technique. Please RSVP by February 17, by going to www.wlhs.org/news. For questions please contact Maddy Krueger at wlhsvarsitydance@gmail.com.

KIDS CARNIVAL AT WLHS: Step right up and try your luck at over 45 fun games! WLHS will be hosting the Kids Carnival on Sunday, February 21 from 1:00-3:30 p.m. Children age 3 through fourth grade are invited to play games, meet live animals and participate in other fun activities. Each \$3 admission receives 20 play tokens. Cotton candy and concessions will be available for purchase. Parents and grandparents are admitted free of charge and encouraged to bring their cameras for some great photo opportunities.

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (January 24 & 25)

8:00 AM - Nancy Adams 10:30 AM - Bob & Sue Dittrich 6:30 PM - Richard & Kathy Hinz

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (January 31 & February 1) 8:00 AM - Bob & Carol Goelz

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

6:30 PM TEAM#9-Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

ALTAR GUILD:

January 20-February 2-TEAM #1 Sherry Kosovich, Gale Bartow, Beverly Garves February 3-February 16-TEAM #2 Jane Koplein, Karen Hille, Kelly Cannistra

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, January 24	
Worship Service	8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	
Worship Service	
Monday, January 25	
Worship Service	6:30 PM
Tuesday, January 26	
PSCIC	6:00 PM
150 th Anniversary Committee Meeting	6:30 PM
Wednesday, January 27	
Adult Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
Board of Spiritual Growth Meeting	
Board of Elders Meeting	
Thursday, January 28	
Church Leadership Bible Class	6:30 PM
Friday, January 29	
School Devotion	8:30 AM
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Sunday, January 31	0.00 444
Worship Service	
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	
Worship Service	10:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 am 69, Communed-n/a; 10:30 am- 150, Communed-n/a; 6:30 pm-45, Communed-n/a

Total Attendance 264, Total Communed n/a Bible Class 20, Sunday School 8

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