

3rd Weekend After Epiphany January 22 & 23, 2017

Welcome! 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,

- † 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.
- † Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- † If you want to review or share today’s service, you can find it on our website.
- † For upcoming events and activities, “like” us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY’S THEME:

JESUS IS THE LIGHT THAT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS

Worship Participants

- Liturgist**..... Pastor Jacob Hoff
- Preacher**..... Pastor Brian Adams
- Organist & Adult Choir Director**..... Mrs. Marie Becker
- Grade K-2 Teachers** Mrs. Rachel Manske, Mrs. Kristine Riel, Mrs. Marie Becker

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

DIVINE SERVICE I

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THE OPENING HYMN “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

Christian Worship #93



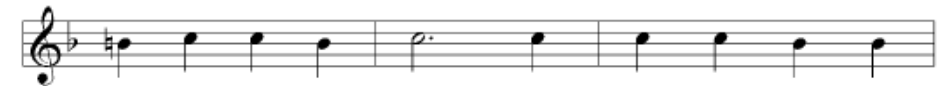
1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er
 2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer
 3 Kings shall bow down be - fore him And gold and in - cense
 4 O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, He on his throne shall



Son! Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on
 wrong, To help the poor and need - y And bid the
 bring; All na - tions shall a - dore him; His praise all
 rest, From age to age more glo - rious, All bless - ing



earth be - gun! He comes to break op - pres - sion, To
 weak be strong, To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their
 peo - ple sing. To him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And
 and all - blest. The tide of time shall nev - er His



set the cap - tive free, To take a - way trans -
 dark - ness turn to light Whose souls, con - demned and
 dai - ly vows as - cend, His king - dom still in -
 cov - e - nant re - move; His name shall stand for -



gres - sion, And rule in eq - ui - ty.
 dy - ing, Are pre - cious in his sight.
 creas - ing, A king - dom with - out end.
 ev - er— That name to us is Love.

Please stand

THE INVOCATION

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

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

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

Kyrie

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

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: *(spoken)* Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

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

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.
You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -
ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(spoken)* And also with you.

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.

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

Please be seated

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON **Isaiah 9:1-4**

^{9:1} Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the Gentiles, by the way of the sea, along the Jordan— ² The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned. ³ You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy;

they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as men rejoice when dividing the plunder. ⁴ For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor.

**THE PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 27
8:00 AM & 10:30 AM ONLY**

Congregation joins on Refrains & Choir sings Verses

Refrain



God is my light, the strong-hold of my life.
God is my sal - va - tion; in God a - lone I trust.

*God is my strong salvation; What foe have I to fear?
In peril and temptation My light, my help is near.*

Refrain

*Though hosts encamp around me, Firm to the fight I stand;
What terror can confound me, With God at my right hand?*

Refrain

*Rely on God's protection, With courage wait each day;
God's truth be your affection, When weak, your hope and stay.*

Refrain

Psalm continues on next page

*God's might your heart shall strengthen, God's love your joy increase;
With hope your days shall lengthen, The Lord will give you peace.*

Refrain

THE SECOND LESSON..... 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

¹⁰ I appeal to you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought. ¹¹ My brothers, some from Chloe's household have informed me that there are quarrels among you. ¹² What I mean is this: One of you says, "I follow Paul"; another, "I follow Apollos"; another, "I follow Cephas"; still another, "I follow Christ."

¹³ Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Were you baptized into the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I am thankful that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so no one can say that you were baptized into my name. ¹⁶ (Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I don't remember if I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—not with words of human wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

VERSE OF THE DAYSung by Choir at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, teaching, preaching, preaching,
and healing ev'ry disease. Alleluia!*

VERSE OF THE DAYSpoken by Pastor on Monday

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

Congregation & Choir – Refrains

Choir – Verses

Refrain

The Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion. The Lord is the
 strong-hold of my life. Since the Lord is my light, my
 strength and my all, Whom then shall I fear?

Verses

1 There is one thing I ask of the Lord:
 2 Do not hide your face, O Lord,
 3 Teach me, Lord, and keep me on your paths;

To dwell in his house for - ev - er,
 Ev - 'ry day I will seek your face.
 Guide me, Lord, a - long a lev - el way.

To gaze on the beau - ty of the Lord
 Though my fa - ther and moth - er may for - sake me,
 I will gaze on the good-ness of the Lord

To Refrain

All the days of my life.
 The Lord will re - ceive me.
 In the land of all the liv - ing.

THE GOSPEL LESSON.....Matthew 4:12-23

Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

¹² When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he returned to Galilee. ¹³ Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali — ¹⁴ to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah: ¹⁵ “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way to the sea, along the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶ the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.” ¹⁷ From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near.” ¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.” ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him.

²¹ Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, ²² and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

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

GRADE K-2 ANTHEM (10:30 AM) "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

*Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining.
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.*

*Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow! Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!*

*As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness.
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.*

*Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow! Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!*

*As we gaze on your kingly brightness,
So our faces display your likeness.
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.*

CHILDREN'S TALK..... 10:30 AM

THE SERMON Isaiah 9:1-4

Please stand

CREATE IN ME

Cre - ate in me a
pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -
in me. Do not cast me a - way from your
pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -
hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Please be seated

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.

Please be seated

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THE RITE OF ADULT CONFIRMATION 10:30 AM

Confirmand will come forward

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, our Lord Jesus said to his disciples: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

In obedience to the Lord’s command, you have been baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. You have been taught the precious truths of the Christian faith as confessed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church. You know what God has given you by his grace and what he expects of you as his dear child. You now have the privilege of receiving the Lord’s body and blood in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

You are here to make a public profession of your Christian faith. The apostle Paul, writing to the Romans, said: “If you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Therefore, lift up your hearts to the God of all grace and joyfully answer these questions.

M: Do you this day, in the presence of God and of this congregation, acknowledge that in Baptism, God gave you forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation? If so, answer: “I do.”

R: I do.

M: Do you reject the devil along with all his lies and empty promises? If so, answer: “I do.”

R: I do.

M: Do you believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit? If so, answer: “I do.”

R: I do

M: Do you believe all the books of the Bible to be the inspired Word of God? If so, answer: “I do.”

R: I do.

M: Do you believe that the teaching of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, as you have learned to know it from Luther’s Small Catechism, is faithful and true to the Word of God? If so, answer: “I do.”

R: I do.

M: Do you intend to continue steadfast in this teaching and to endure all things, even death, rather than fall away from it? If so, answer: "I do, and I ask God to help me."

R: I do, and I ask God to help me.

M: Do you intend faithfully to conform all your life to the teachings of God's Word, to be faithful in the use of the Word and sacrament, and in faith and action remain true to God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—as long as you live? If so, answer: "I do, and I ask God to help me."

R: I do, and I ask God to help me.

The minister addresses the congregation

M: Since it is God alone who enables us both to will and to do his good pleasure, it is right for us, dear friends in Christ, to call on him for these confirmands, that he would graciously complete the good work which he has begun in them. Let us, therefore, bow our heads and pray.

M: Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise you for your great goodness in bringing these sons and daughters of yours to the knowledge of your Son, Jesus Christ, and in giving them both hearts to believe and mouths to confess his saving name. Enable them to bring forth the fruits of faith and to continue steadfast and victorious until the day comes when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (Spoken) **Amen.**

M: Your church now invites you to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's body and blood. Accept this invitation with deep reverence and holy joy. Regard your communing at the Lord's Table as a precious privilege given you by God through his Church; receive this Sacrament thankfully and often. The almighty and most merciful God—Father, Son, † and Holy Spirit—bless and keep you.

(Service will continue with Hymn #81 + page 27 in Supplement)

CONGREGATION HYMN **"Arise and Shine in Splendor"**

Christian Worship #81



1 A - rise and shine in splen - dor; Let night to day sur -
2 See earth in dark - ness ly - ing, The hea - then na - tions
3 Lift up your eyes in won - der— See, na - tions gath - er
4 Your heart will leap for glad - ness When from the realms of



ren - der. Your light is draw - ing near. A - bove,
dy - ing In hope - less gloom and night. To you
yon - der From sin to be set free. The world
sad - ness They come from near and far. Your eyes



the day is beam - ing, In match - less beau - ty
the Lord of heav - en— Your life, your hope—has
has heard your sto - ry; Your sons come to your
will wake from slum - ber As peo - ple with - out



gleam - ing; The glo - ry of the Lord is here.
giv - en Great glo - ry, hon - or, and de - light.
glo - ry, And daugh - ters haste your light to see.
num - ber Re - joice to see the Morn - ing Star.

Please stand

CLOSING PRAYER

P: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: *(spoken)* **Amen.**

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.
- C: (spoken) Amen.**

Please be seated



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT CONFIRMATION: In our 10:30 AM worship today we welcome Amanda LaPorte into our family here at St. Paul's. God bless Amanda and her family today and always! If you see Amanda around please stop by and introduce yourself to her.

CHRISTIAN FUNERAL SERVICE: On Friday, January 13th, the Lord called Russell Hanson to his heavenly home. A Christian funeral was held here at St. Paul's on Wednesday, January 18th. May the Lord continue to comfort his family. "Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them." (Revelation 14:13)

NEW BIBLE STUDY! Clean Out Those Itching Ears: Christian Apologetic Witnessing: As Christians it is our duty to share Jesus. In our world today, sharing Jesus often means responding to sometimes aggressive unbelievers and skeptics in a loving yet intelligent way. This class aims to equip you to tackle some very explosive issues head on and examine how you can defend Biblical teaching in a logical way, but also turn the focus onto what matters most – Jesus. This six week bible study will include topics such as sex and marriage, abortion, and evolution.

2016 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: The 2016 Contribution Statements are in your church mailboxes. If you have not already done so, please pick up your 2017 offering envelopes in the west hallway of church.

2017 GREETER SCHEDULES: Thanks to those that greet us each week! The 2017 Greeter Schedules are in your mailboxes.

ALTAR FLOWER ORDERING: The 2017 altar flower sign up sheet is on the narthex counter. If you'd like to order altar flowers, the cost is \$25.00. Please place your payments in Sharon Kiesow's church mailbox.

MEDITATIONS AND FORWARD IN CHRIST 2017 SUBSCRIPTIONS: It's time to renew! The current Meditations and Forward in Christ subscriptions 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 place your payment in the basket next to the sign up sheet. Please sign up and make your payments by **JANUARY 30th**.

MEN'S OPEN GYM: Looking for an excuse to get a little exercise or need to stretch your legs and work on your hook shot? Well, dust off your old Chuck Taylor's (the most popular selling basketball shoes in history) and join us for some friendly basketball at St. Paul's Men's Open Gym on Wednesday nights from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. The gym will be open on Wednesday night every week starting January 25th. All college age and older men of St. Paul's are invited as well as their guests. If you have any questions, please contact Caleb Manske at clmanske@hotmail.com or [262-442-4286](tel:262-442-4286).

EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT CENTER: The Early Childhood Enrichment Center is now accepting registration for the 2017-2018 school year. In order to enroll, children must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1, 2017. Interested families may contact Mrs. Patti Krizan or Mrs. Nancy Willms at (414) 421-1833. Registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis. Enrollment opportunities will be opened to the community after February 1, 2017.

"THE STORY" BIBLE CLASS: Our next bible class will be Saturday, February 11^h. As we continue to look at God's story in the Bible, our lesson focuses on the theme: "The Kingdoms' Fall".

SAVE THE DATE: Mark your calendars for next summer’s Vacation Bible Camp, July 10th – 14th. More details will come later!

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: February 2nd & 16th, March 2nd & 16th, April 6th & 20th and May 4th & 18th.

WLHS 5TH 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 29, 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 register at www.wlhs.org/5thGrade.

2017 MEN OF HIS WORD CONFERENCE: Have you seen the news lately? It’s crazy out there. The world attacks our Christian values from every direction on a daily basis. To counter these attacks, the MOHW Conference uses God’s Word to empower and equip men to carry out their God-given mission in their homes, churches, communities and the world with the theme, “BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS.” Whether you attend for the keynote speaker (Pastor Mike Novotny from The Core in Appleton), the relevant, thought-provoking sessions (20 to choose from) or the worship experience with 600 other men (with Koine’, the worship band), God’s Word will speak to you. The 8th annual MOHW Conference will be held at the Oshkosh Best Western Premier Waterfront Convention Center on Saturday, February 11, 2017. Additional details and online registration are available at www.menofhisword.org for the first 650 men (\$40 by January 29th; \$50 from January 30th - February 5th). Please join us for a day in God’s Word that you will not soon forget!

ST. JOHN’S FOREST HOME SUMMER BUS TRIP: Join members of St. John’s Forest Home on June 20-23rd for a trip to northern Kentucky to visit the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter, Newport Aquarium, the Kentucky Horse Farm in Lexington and more! There are flyers with more information on the narthex counter, or you can call Gene Huth at (414) 453-1350.

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS THIS WEEK (January 22 & 23)

8:00 AM – David & Marlene Horn
10:30 AM – Jack & Kathie Klunder
6:30 PM – Richard & Kathy Hinz

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (January 29 & 30)

8:00 AM – Randy & Nancy Willms
10:30 AM – John & Karen Milazzo; Cameron, Trevor, Logan & Kendall
6:30 PM – Donna LaBlanc

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, Bob Dittrich, Gary Eickhorst, Todd Grunze, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Dave Long

ALTAR GUILD

Jan 18-24 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Irva Baade
Jan 25-31 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Irva Baade

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Jan 22: Set-up – Pete & Sherry Kosovich, Clean-up – Don & Marge Gebert
Jan 29: Set-up – Tony Tripoli & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 22

Worship Service 8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School..... 9:15 AM
Worship Service 10:30 AM

Monday, January 23

Worship Service 6:30 PM

Tuesday, January 24

Public School Confirmation Class..... 6:00 PM

Friday, January 27

School Devotion8:30 AM

Sunday, January 29

Worship Service8:00 AM

Adult Bible Study/Sunday School.....9:15 AM

Worship Service10:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 99, Communed – 79

10:30 AM – 121, Communed – 81

6:30 PM – 38 , Communed – 30

Total Attendance – 258

Total Communed – 190

Sunday Bible Class – 26, Sunday School – 11