



# St. James Lutheran Church

*Equipping and Empowering Families and Students through Christ*

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**Worship Information: January 19, 2025, Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

Divine Service p. 203 Hymns: 402, 408 (637, 624, 631) 533

**IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY...** we remember Terry Burkett, Jeanne Glessing, Linda Hoese, Mark Ittel, Keith Luhman, Jen Wickesberg, protection of the blessing of all life from conception to grave that God has preciousy created. Missionaries: Rev. James May and Family, Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad; those serving in the Armed Forces: Isaac Cain, Christena Dickens, Justin Hassa, Kelsey Hasz, Alex Hennen, Andrew Horsch, Brandon Maas, Blake Peterson, and Jacob Young.

**TODAY'S SERMON...**can be found in the information cart in the choir room.

**CONGREGATION AT PRAYER...**daily devotion guide can be found next to the bulletins.

## ST. JAMES HAPPENINGS

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP...**The Lord's service to you through His gifts of Word and Sacrament are the means through which He offers the forgiveness of sin and nourishes your soul. Welcome! Thank you for being here. Please let us know how we may serve you. If you'd like to chat with Pastor Loder, consider giving him a call at 320-526-5245 or send him a message at [revloder@gmail.com](mailto:revloder@gmail.com).

**HOLY COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS...****If you are a member** of St. James, review p. 329 or the Ten Commandments in preparing to receive Jesus' body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins. **If you are a guest**, welcome! Communion at St. James is reserved for members of Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations. Please speak with Pastor Loder about Communion before participating. If you know you will be visiting, it is best to call during the week before. If you are not communing but wish to receive a blessing, come forward with your hands crossed on your chest. **Didn't have a chance to talk with Pastor about Communion before church?** If you're a member of an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to Communion, but please let Pastor Loder know where you go to church when you come to the Communion rail. Please fill out a communion registration card and hand to an Usher or put in the offering plate.

**ALL WELCOME TO THE SUPERBOWL PARTY...** on Sunday, Feb. 9th from 5:00pm - End of game in the school cafeteria. Please bring a dish to share for the potluck. The gym will be open for kids to run/play the whole time, and during half-time, we will play Minute-to-Win-It Games. This will be fun for the whole family! Contact Jeff (320-510-1407) or Leisha Diers (320-582-0057) for any questions .

**THRIVENT ACTION TEAM CARDS...**are a great way to support Church and School. With the new year upon us, Thrivent members are again eligible for two cards. Consider applying for one. Talk with Pastor, Michelle, or Nancy about what you could apply for. Thank you!

**GIVING STATEMENTS...**for 2024 have been placed in your church mailboxes. If you find any discrepancies with your giving statement, please contact the church office.

**PENNY HARVEST...**our students are collecting pennies the month of January. All pennies collected will be donated to the HLPD to purchase new equipment. Bring in your pennies and help the students with their goal.

**CONGREGATION DELEGATE...**is needed for the Circuit Forum that will occur soon for electing the Circuit Visitor as well as attending the District Convention this summer. If u are interested, please talk with Pastor.

**BOARD OF ELDERS...**is to oversee the spiritual and worship life of the congregation members. The board of Elders has two open positions that they are looking to fill. In order to qualify to be an Elder you must be an Elder you must be a committed male Christian and member of St. James, adhere to faithful participation of word and sacrament ministry, be diligent in the use of confession and absolution. You must be able to oversee Pastor, Secretaries, Vicar and multiple other committees. If you or someone you know would like to be on the ballot for our voters meeting January 26<sup>th</sup> please talk to an active Elder or Pastor.

**THE ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING...**will be held on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> after 2<sup>nd</sup> service. The Vicar program will be discussed along with year- to- date reports.

**GALA TICKETS...** are on sale now. Reserve your spot for \$50 per attendee which includes dinner and entertainment. Contact the school office at -543-2630 to reserve your tickets.