## **WEEKLY EVENTS**

| Mon: | 6:30 PM<br>6:30 PM                       | SS Teacher Session<br>LWML Zone Meeting                            |
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| Wed: | 8:20 AM<br>6:00 PM<br>7:00 PM<br>8:00 PM | Chapel<br>Catechesis Extra<br>Women's Bible Study<br>Worship Choir |

8:00 AM 9:15 AM Divine Service Bible Study/Confirmation/ SS Sun:

10:30 AM Divine Service

## SERVING TODAY

**ELDERS:** 8:00 AM 10:30 AM

Joe Pehl Tom Johnson Jeff Diers Loren Wegner

**USHERS:** 8:00 AM 10:30AM

Dick Zander Mike Thorson

Roy Bakeberg John Zander Brian Yager

Pete Zimmerman

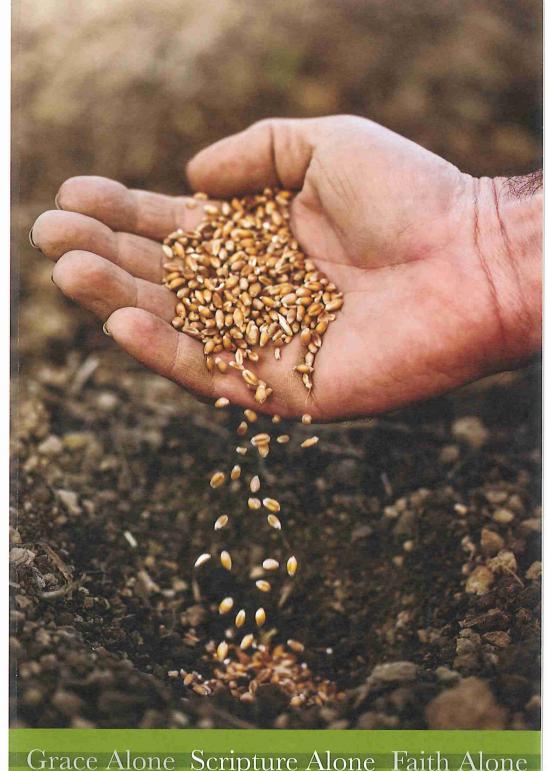


Organist:

Nancy Butterfass Choir: 8:00 1St & 2nd Grade "The Trees of the Field" 10:30 "Forever Glest Is He" Worship Choir

Sexagesima - Surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis confront us with our own weakness. It even leads some to exclude embryos or incapacitated persons from humankind and execute them because of their weakness. Almighty God promises, "My power is made perfect precisely in your weaknesses." His grace radiates in human frailty, and the blessings He brings in every life more than make up for what we cannot.

Attendance Sunday, February 16: 88 & 89 Communed: 108



## St. James Lutheran Church

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Worship Information: February 23, 2025, Sexagesima Divine Service p. 184 Hymns: 584, 586 (577, 728, 587) 921

IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY... we remember Dorothy Anderson, Delores Glessing, Cheryl Moist, Ron Simmon (Delores Glessing's Nephew), Carolyn Wackler, Jim Wackler, Jen Wickesberg, protection of the blessing of all life from conception to grave that God has preciously 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.

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.

**OFFERING AND EXPENSES YEAR TO DATE...**total receipts received \$599,364 total expenses \$624,649 with a balance of (\$25,285).

PASTOR LODER'S PARSONAGE...landline is no longer. If you need to reach Pastor Loder, you can call his direct office line - 320-526-5245 which will link to and send a message to his cell phone.

SUMMERTIME SUNDAY SERVICES...the Elders are considering having one service on Sunday morning starting Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. The service would be held at 9:00 AM with bible study to follow at 10:15 AM. Summertime attendance does decrease and with having one service this would give you a chance to maybe meet congregation members you don't normally see. Please contact an Elder with any feedback you may have.

**LADIES OF ST. JAMES...** July 11th the LWML plans to attend the "Church Basement Ladies" production at the Plymouth Playhouse Theater. The play is at 1:00 PM. Groups of 10 or more cost \$40.00 per ticket. We will be carpooling. If you wish to go with us, get your name and check for \$40.00 to Marlene George by March 5th. Tickets are going fast. Contact Marlene at 763-370-2561 or 320-543-2653. Thank you!

PRIVATE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION...will be held on the 4th Saturday of each month from 9 am to Noon in the church. This is a treasured and good practice of the Church that has fallen out of practice for many. Consider learning more about Private Confession and Absolution by chatting with Pastor and then stopping in during these times to participate.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...**Pastor is checking to see if there would be any interest in a Wednesday morning Bible Study that would start at 10 am. If you would be interested in this, please let Pastor know.

MIDDLE SCHOOL AGED FAMILIES...come to a chat session with Pastor on Wednesday, March 12th at 5:30 pm in the School Library. We will discuss the possibility of a monthly gathering on the 2nd Wednesday of the month that will include supper, Bible study, activity, and worship. Bring a dish to share on the 12th, as we will have supper and then chat. Any parents who would be willing to volunteer as a helper/leader, please reach out to Pastor.

**PARISH ED. COMMITTEE**...are you interested in helping with VBS and other education opportunities for the congregation? Consider joining the Parish Ed. Committee. If this might be something of interest to you, chat with Pastor Loder.