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December 31, 2021

NYE/Eve of the Name of Jesus

Welcome to St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church. If you are a guest or visitor with us today, we welcome you and invite you to come and worship with us again. Please take the time to introduce yourself to Pastor Hayes, and we hope to see you again soon.

Remember that the Worship Service begins when you enter. As the Music for Meditation begins, you are invited to join in quiet, preparation time for worship. Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

Liturgy – Divine Service Setting Three (Page 184)

Opening Hymn: 384 "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Hymn of the Day: 896 "Now Greet the Swiftly Changing Year"

Distribution Hymn: 624 "The Infant Priest Was Holy Born"

Distribution Hymn: 900 "Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love"

Distribution Hymn: 898 "The Ancient Law Departs"

Closing Hymn: 899 "Across the Sky the Shades of Night"

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please e-mail prayer requests to Pastor Hayes at pastor.hayes@outlook.com.

Prayer requests will remain for 2 weeks unless you specify a length of time.

Angie Reinert, LaVon Hornbostel, Lula Stuenkel, Marilyn Ohlde,

Loraine Oldehoeft, & Lorna Heitman (in the nursing home)

Ladonna Hornkohl (cancer treatment); **family of Don Dodd;**

Rev. Peter Lange (thanksgiving and recovery)

Acolyte Sunday, January 2nd - Zac Hiltgen

Ushers tonight - *Jacob Bott, Lance Gerleve, Brady Kolle, & John Bott

Ushers Sunday, Jan. 2nd - *John Bott, Eli Ohlde, Nathan Ohlde, & Jacob Bott

LYF Fellowship Hour Jan. 2nd - Ella Thalmann & Ryan Stuenkel

LYF Fellowship Hour Jan. 9th & 16th - Ethan & Sophia Bott

Upcoming Events

- December 31** 7:00 p.m. New Year's Eve/Eve of the Name of Jesus
(Installation of Officers)
- January 2** 9:00 a.m. Mixed Choir Rehearsal
9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Children's Sunday School
- January 3** 7:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting
- January 5** 5:30 p.m. Midweek/Confirmation
- January 9** 9:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Class & Children's Sunday School
11:45 a.m. New Member Potluck
Quarterly Voters Meeting (following potluck)

Announcements

- * To help members of Peace Lutheran in Natoma who lost their homes in the recent fires get back on their feet, visit <https://kslcms.org/business-office/donate/>. Click the red "donate" button to access the secure payment page and choose "Kansas Disaster Response" as a designation, with "NW Kansas Fire" in the comments box.
- * **CHRIST FOR YOU:** We celebrate the season of Christmas by taking a hiatus from our regular programming to bring you special Twelve Days of Christmas programming, including Scripture readings, sacred music for the season, and special greetings from our missionaries and military chaplains serving around the globe. Enjoy this programming through Epiphany, January 6! Regular programming returns January 7.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

This evening during the Divine Service, the newly elected officers of this congregation will be installed into their respective offices:

Board of Elders:

Rowdy Knox & Jared Meier

Board of Trustees:

Danny Hornkohl & Jeff Voelker

Board of Education:

Libby Hiltgen

Treasurer:

Annette Bott

Recording Secretary:

Jim Hornbostel

Please keep these newly elected and continuing stewards in your prayers.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His Table those who trust His words, repent all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily, according to Holy Scripture, do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from communing with us until such a time as they are properly instructed.

A short, more detailed explanation of our Confessional practice is available from our Ushers or Elders. If you would like to learn more about the Sacrament of the Altar and our confessional position, I would be happy to visit with you.

-Rev. Joshua Hayes, Pastor, St. John Ev. Lutheran Church

In preparation for Holy Communion, you may use the following statements as part of your self-examination:

- I admit that I am a sinner. **(1 John 1:8-10)**
- I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, from Satan and death. **(Acts 4:10-12; John 14:6)**
- I desire to live as God wants me to. **(John 14:15; 1 John 2:6)**
- I am sure of my eternal salvation because Jesus died for me and rose again. **(John 3:16; Romans 8:14; & 1 John 5:11-12)**
- I believe the Risen Christ is really present in Holy Communion and that with the bread and wine I receive His Body and Blood. **(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 4:22-24; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; Luke 22:17-20)**
- I forgive those who have wronged me.

EVENING PRAYER

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.



Introit *(Psalm 40:6-8; antiphon: 40:16)*

May all who seek you rejoice and be | glad in you;*
may those who love your salvation say continually,
“Great | is the Lord!”

Sacrifice and offering you have not desired, but you have given me an | open ear.*

Burnt offering and sin offering you have | not required.

Then I said, “Behold, | I have come;*

in the scroll of the book it is writ- | ten of me:

I desire to do your will, | O my God;*

your law is with- | in my heart.”

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Collect for the Circumcision and Name of Jesus

Lord God, You made Your beloved Son, our Savior, subject to the Law and caused Him to shed His blood on our behalf. Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit that our hearts may be made pure from all sins; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please email any announcements for the bulletin to Theresa at theresa_meier@yahoo.com by noon on Friday.

Old Testament Reading: *Numbers 6:22-27*

22 The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 23 “Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

24 The Lord bless you and keep you;

25 the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

26 the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

27 “So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them.”

Epistle Reading: *Galatians 3:23-29*

23 Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. 24 So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, 26 for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. 27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to promise.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 2:21*

21 And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.



CATECHETICAL REVIEW

An Explanation of the Small Catechism

The Lord's Prayer *(Continued)*

The Sixth Petition: *(Continued)*

And lead us not into temptation.

229. Into what kinds of evil do our spiritual enemies try to mislead us?

The devil, the world, and our sinful nature try to mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great sins.

801 **1 Peter 5:8-9** - Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

802 **Proverbs 1:10** - My son, if sinners entice you, do not give in to them.

803 **Matthew 18:7** - Woe to the world because of the things of that cause people to sin! Such things must come, but woe to the man through whom they come!

804 **Galatians 5:17** - The sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature.

805 **2 Corinthians 4:8** - We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair.

Bible narratives: The devil tempted Eve to doubt and disobey God (**Genesis 3**). The devil tempted Judas to betray Christ (**John 13:2**) and to despair (**Matthew 27:4-5**). Among enemies of Christ, Peter denied his Savior (**Luke 22:54-60**). King David's sinful nature tempted him to commit adultery and murder (**2 Samuel 12:9**).

230. What do we ask God to do for us when we pray this petition?

We ask our Father in heaven to give us strength to resist and overcome temptations.

806 **Luke 22:31-32** - Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail.

807 **Romans 13:14** - Clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

808 **1 Corinthians 10:12-13** - If you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

809 **Ephesians 6:11, 17** - Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes... Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Bible narratives: Joseph withstood the temptation of Potiphar's wife (**Genesis 39:1-20**). Jesus was tempted by Satan and won the victory for us (**Matthew 4:1-11**).

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and keep you;
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NUMBERS 6:24-26

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New Year's Eve

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