

St. John-St. James

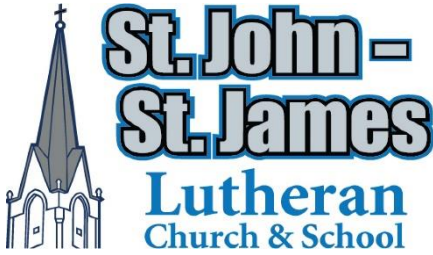
Ev. Lutheran Church & School

== MY ==
GRACE
IS SUFFICIENT
FOR YOU,
FOR MY
POWER
IS MADE
PERFECT IN WEAKNESS

2 CORINTHIANS 12:9

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

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WELCOME *Definitions Uncovered—Blessings = cursed; Curses = blessed*

Opening Hymn:

Speak, O Savior, I Am Listening

Christian Worship, Hymn # 631

Verse 1  **Speak, O Savior; I am list'ning,
As a servant to his lord.
Let me show respect and honor
To your holy, precious Word,
That each day, my whole life through,
I may serve and follow you.
Let your Word e'er be my pleasure
And my heart's most precious treasure.**

Verse 2  **Oh, what blessing to be near you
And to listen to your voice!
Let me ever love and fear you;
Let your Word still be my choice.
Many hardened sinners, Lord,
Flee in terror at your Word,
But to all who feel sin's burden
You give peace and words of pardon.**

(Hymn continues on the next page.)

C Verse 4 **As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me;
Let your words in me take root.
May your Spirit e'er be near me
That I bear abundant fruit.
May I daily sing your praise,
From my heart glad anthems raise,
Till my highest praise is given
In the endless joy of heaven.**

PLEASE STAND

INVOCATION

M 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.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

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.**

M

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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M

For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M

For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

M

For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord

C



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

M Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD

C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in
all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,
you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;
you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and
ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M O God of power and might, you know that we live in the midst of many great dangers, and in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Give us strength and protection to support us in all peril, and carry us through all temptations; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BE SEATED

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 17:5-8

⁵This is what the LORD says: “Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who draws strength from mere flesh and whose heart turns away from the LORD.

⁶That person will be like a bush in the wastelands; they will not see prosperity when it comes. They will dwell in the parched places of the desert, in a salt land where no one lives.

⁷“But blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him.

⁸They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.”

Gospel Lesson

Luke 6:17-26

¹⁷ He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸ who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, ¹⁹ and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

²⁰ Looking at his disciples, he said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹ Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. ²² Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you and insult you and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

²³ “Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort. ²⁵ Woe to you who are well fed now, for you will go hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will mourn and weep. ²⁶ Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.


After the Gospel, the congregation sings:




Hymn of the Day:

Day by Day


Christian Worship, Hymn #803

Verse 1 

**Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,
Bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me
Draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
Brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
Where at last I'll find eternal rest.**

Verse 2 

**Day by day, I know you will provide me
Strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me
O'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,
I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow
Till in glory I behold your face.**

Verse 3 

**Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
When my burdens grow too great to bear;
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me
When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what betide me,
You will hold me ever in your hand.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,
I will reach at last the promised land.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Darin Aden

2 Corinthians 12:7b-10

“When I am weak, then I am Strong”

1. So I seek the weak
2. So I long for the Strong

⁷Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. ⁹But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. ¹⁰That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

 We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

(Nicene Creed continues on the next page.)

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M Our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

A PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are a friend of the sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

GROUP BLESSING

(After all those communing have received Lord's Supper, we conclude our celebration:)

M Now may this true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto life everlasting.

C **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

M Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

M 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.

C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn:

I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus

Christian Worship, Hymn # 816

C Verse 1

♪ I am trusting you, Lord Jesus, Trusting only you,
Trusting you for full salvation, Free and true.

C Verse 2

♪ I am trusting you for pardon; At your feet I bow,
For your grace and tender mercy Trusting now.

C Verse 5

♪ I am trusting you for power; You can never fail.
Words which you yourself shall give me Must prevail.

FOR WHEN I AM WEAK, THEN I AM

STRONG

2 CORINTHIANS 12:9-10



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Send Bulletin Information to cbubolz@stjohnstjames.com—Wednesday Deadline

Sunday, February 13, 2022

SERVING YOU TODAY—8:00 am Ushers—Jim Matznick, Tom Sebo, Norman Pantzlaff, Gary Bernhardt ■ **10:15 am Ushers**—Andy/Zac Bubolz, Ray Bubolz, Adam Bubolz, Bill Hillmann, Matt Hillmann, Nick Schrubbe ■ **Church Cleaners**—Yvonne Wenzlaff, Gail Denor ■ **Flower Committee**—Mary Busse & Karen Prochnow ■ **Sunday Communion Set-Up/Take-Down**—Knier Family.

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK—8:00 am Ushers—Mel Mangin, Tim Mangin, Jamie Mangin, Gary Waack ■ **10:15 am Ushers**—Terry/Karen Prochnow, Bob/Mary Busse, Fred Busse, Erwin Waack, Jon Waack, Randy/Sandy Waack, Dereck Waack and Todd Hickmann ■ **Church Cleaners**—Yvonne Wenzlaff, Gail Denor ■ **Flower Committee**—Mary Busse & Karen Prochnow.

MINISTRY RESERVE FUND—We have started a fund for our Second Pastor to help defray costs involved in adding another Pastor. If you wish to give to the Ministry Reserve Fund please place your offering in an envelope and clearly mark it as **Ministry Reserve Fund or 2nd Pastor Fund** and place it in the offering plate. A letter and commitment form has been sent to all members, please put your commitment form in the offering plate or in the “Church” in the West Church office.

FLOWER COMMITTEE—The Flower Committee is looking for 2 volunteers for July. If you are interested and would like some more information please give Karen Prochnow a call at 920-754-4688.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS—If you have an email address your contribution statements have been emailed to you. If you don’t have an email account, we have printed out a hard copy and placed them in the West Church office. If you have received an email copy of your statement and would also like a printed copy please contact the church office at 920-754-4568.

LENTEN MEALS—We are bringing back Lenten meals this year. There will be a signup sheet in the west office for groups to volunteer to prepare and serve during the Lenten season. **Just an update.... March 2 and March 16 is taken, open dates are March 9, 23, 30 and April 6, please sign up soon!**

Our Father's Business

Today	Preacher, Pastor Darin Aden Music Today—Judy Mangin Sunday School & Adult Bible Class at 9:15 am No CREW today!
Monday 2/14	Call Meeting at 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting immediately after Call Meeting
Wed. 2/16	Public School Confirmation Class at 3:30 pm

CALL MEETING—We will be holding a call meeting on February 14th at 6:30 in the commons area. We will be calling a second Pastor and a part time teacher for Principal Administrative time. The church council meeting will be held immediately after the call meeting.

ECONO FOODS—Community Care Program St. John - St. James Lutheran School recently received \$555.94 from the Econo Foods - Community Care Program. Thank you to everyone who continues to turn in their Econo Foods receipts to help support our school! Also, thank you to Audrey Duchow for her part in coordinating this great program! These funds will be used to upgrade our school technology. Keep saving those receipts!

REMINDER—The fronts of ANY used greeting card are always needed. We helped WELS Prison Ministry with 200+ cards at Christmas. Nursing homes are receiving 1,000 this year already. If you have any used greeting cards that you would like to find a purpose for please place the covers of them in back of church. Thank you!

FEBRUARY HOME BOUND MEMBERS—There is a new and updated Home Bound Members list in the West Church office. Please help yourself to one, our Home-Bound members would love to hear from you!

NEWSLETTER INSERTS—We will be getting out a March—April newsletter very soon. If you have an insert that you want to get into the newsletter please have it to Cindy by Wednesday, February 16. Thank you!

MEDITATIONS—Due to rising costs for our Meditations books we had to increase the price from \$1.00 per booklet to \$1.50.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE—January 31– February 6, 2022

Church Attendance—8:00 am—175, 10:15 am—61 Total Attendance—236
Total Offerings: General Fund—\$ 10,072.00*, Synod—\$ 252.00*, MLHS—\$ 427.00*, Total—\$ 10,751.00* ■ Special Offerings—Building Fund—\$ 1,045.00* (needed each week \$2,312)
■ Ministry Reserve Fund—\$ 1,256.00* ■ Pastor Retreat Fund—\$ 413.00 ■ Communion Cups—\$ 500.00 ■ Undesignated Gifts—\$260.00 ***ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS INCLUDED**

Bulletin Insert

DID YOU KNOW?—Did you know that you can support St John St James Lutheran Church & School while purchasing the products you love? It's super easy! Instead of shopping on Amazon.com, shop on smile amazon.com. Just go into your account settings and designate SJSJ Lutheran Church & School as your charity of choice. Every time you purchase something, Amazon will donate .5% of your purchases to SJSJ Church & School. Thank you for supporting your church & school!

CONGRATULATIONS! - Out of 6 teams in the Inter Lake Dartball League our St. John-St. James team took 1st place. If interested in learning the game and playing next year please contact Joe Hoyer.

LWMS MISSIONS—Monetary Gift boxes are located at each entrance. A total of \$ 25.00 was collected in January, and monies will be sent to LWMS designated missions. Thank you!

REEDSVILLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW

CONTEST—Reedsville Knights of Columbus Council will hold its annual Free Throw Contest on Saturday, February 19, 2022. The contest will be held at the **Reedsville Elementary School**, starting at 9:00 A.M. It's open to boys and girls, ages 9 to 14, as of January 1st. This contest is **free**, and all boys and girls are welcome.

PJ PRAISE—February 23 is PJ Praise: Children ages 2-10 and their families are invited! Join us in the church for a family devotion at 5PM. Then parents can leave their little ones in our care while they enjoy some grown-up time. We will feed them supper. All children must be picked up by 7:45 PM. Children are invited to wear their PJ's so they will be all ready for bed when they get home. RSVP is necessary so we can plan for caregivers and food. Please let Mrs. Aden know if you will attend by emailing kaden@stjohnstjames.com by February 21.

DIVINE CALL—Mr. Stuebs has received a divine call to serve as a Science Teacher & Coach at Fox Valley Lutheran High School in Appleton, WI. Please keep Mr. Stuebs and his family in your prayers as he deliberates where the Lord can best use his talents and abilities.

IN HONOR OF—A donation was made to the Building Fund in honor of Erwin

Waack's 89th birthday on February 16th by his children - Cindy, Randy, Melanie, Angela, Wendy & Jonathan.

Grow in Grace

Grow in Grace, the Seminary's continuing education division, began offering retreats in 2012. Retreats are held for those marking 3 years since Seminary graduation, for those celebrating 10 years in the ministry, for those celebrating 25 years in the ministry, and for those who are marking 35 years in the ministry. The retreat is meant to be a time of ministry refreshment, not only celebrating the milestone, but also giving encouragement through worship and Bible study, and providing opportunity to reconnect with peers.

Pastor Aden is celebrating 25 years in the ministry this year. He and his Seminary class has the opportunity to attend the retreat this year. Pastor and Karla would like to attend this retreat. Pastor Aden will get a chance to see a lot of his classmates that he hasn't seen in a long time.

The Celebration of Ministry retreat will be held from April 25 through April 27 in San Antonio, Texas. The cost of this retreat for Pastor and Karla will be around \$1700.00 depending on the cost of airfare.

The council has decided that this would be a very nice 25th Anniversary gift for Pastor Aden from the congregation. We are asking our members if they would like to contribute toward this gift for Pastor and Karla. This would be a very good way of saying thank you to Pastor and Karla for everything that they do for our congregation and our Lord.

If you would like to contribute, please mark your envelope
“ Pastor Retreat” and put it in the offering plate.

MLHS SPRING SHOWCASE: It is time once again for the MLHS Spring Showcase, and we would like to invite you! This year's event will be held on Saturday, March 19th at Knox's Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live & silent auctions, a raffle (with top prize of \$5,000!), and entertainment by Riley Haupt. All proceeds this year will benefit the MLHS Track & Field program as we work to build our own facilities. Go to: <https://www.mlhslancers.org/showcase> for all the details including times. And be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram for updates. We hope to see you there!

MLHS Newsletters and More: Stay in touch with your high school and subscribe to various newsletters by going to www.mlhslancers.org/subscription. After subscribing you will receive the newsletter(s) you signed up for. **Be sure to check your junk mail** as the first one may go there instead. The alumni newsletter is one of the options listed. You will not want to miss reading what a recent alumni shared in the December Alumni newsletter. ENJOY! For any questions contact mlhs@mlhslancers.org.

MLHS OPEN HOUSE! - Tuesday, February 15th from 4-7PM

Manitowoc Lutheran High School is welcoming the public to an Open House in Mid-February. The Attendees will be able to enjoy a guided tour of the facilities, meet the staff, learn about student organizations and extracurricular activities, and get an update on the upcoming building project at the high school. The event is geared to anyone Interested in learning more about MLHS, not only families with high school students. The Open House will be held on February 15th from 4:00 until 7:00 PM, however, the enrollment period for the 2022-2023 school year has begun. Staff will be available to answer questions from any families interested in enrolling now or in the future. Please spread the word!

SPRING MUSICAL: The Drama Club from MLHS proudly presents *Fiddler on the Roof*. Rich with musical hits you know and love, plus many more. A wonderful cast of forty-nine and a live pit orchestra will entertain you as they bring this story to life on the MLHS stage. Please join us in this family friendly production March 11-13 at MLHS. Production times: Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 P.M. and Sunday at 2:00 P.M. You can reserve your seat/purchase your tickets online at www.mlhslancers.org/drama.

SJSJ Building Fund Account January 2022
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01/01/2022		\$27,715.86
<u>Deposits</u>		
In Honor Of/Memorials	\$175.00	
1/4/2022 (New Year's Eve)	\$7,085.00	
1/4/2022	\$5,661.00	
1/11/2022	\$1,895.00	
1/19/2022	\$815.00	
1/27/2022	\$1,470.00	
Electronic Offerings	\$1,010.00	
Total Deposits	\$18,111.00	
<u>Withdrawals</u>		
Member Loan Interest Payments	\$0.00	
Transfer to Loan (January Payment)	\$4,685.00	
Transfer to Loan (January Payment)	\$4,685.00	
Total Withdrawals	\$9,370.00	
Ending Balance		\$36,456.86

Outstanding DSB Loan Balance for Building Project
\$904,217.22

Outstanding MEMBER Loan Balance for Building Project
\$380,000.00