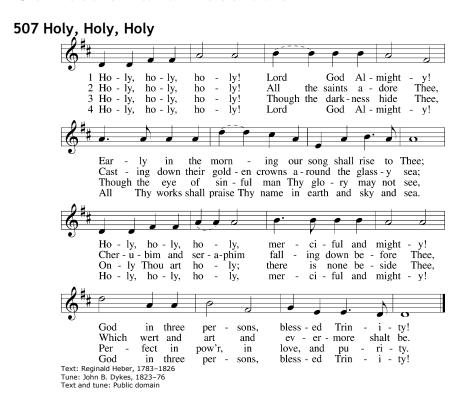
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Confession and Absolution



- P In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the

 Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- Who made heaven and earth.

- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 119:9–16; antiphon: v. 12

Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

With my whole heart I seek you;

let me not wander from your commandments!

I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!

With my lips I declare all the just decrees of your mouth.

In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

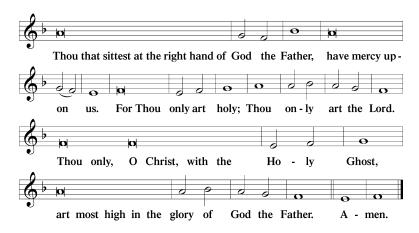
I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.

I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Blessèd are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes!



Thou that takest away the sin of the world,

re-ceive our prayer.



Salutation and Collect of the Day



O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



"'Why have we fasted, and you see it not?
Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?'

Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure,

and oppress all your workers.

Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist.

Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,

a day for a person to humble himself?

Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast,

and a day acceptable to the LORD?

"Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?

Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily;

your righteousness shall go before you;

the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'"

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 2:1–16

Proclaiming Christ Crucified

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech

and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Wisdom from the Spirit

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written.

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. "For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.



Salt and Light

[Jesus said:] "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Christ Came to Fulfill the Law

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down
from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.

and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life

→ of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Sermon

403 O Savior of Our Fallen Race



- 5 For from the Father's throne You came, His banished children to reclaim; And earth and sea and sky revere The love of Him who sent You here. Alleluia!
- 6 And we are jubilant today, For You have washed our guilt away. O hear the glad new song we sing On this, the birthday of our King! Alleluia!
- △ 7 O Christ, Redeemer virgin-born, Let songs of praise Your name adorn, Whom with the Father we adore And Holy Spirit evermore.

 Alleluia!

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Sermon



Offering

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty God, You delight to loose the bonds of wickedness and undo the straps of the heavy yoke, that freed from sin's bondage, we may gladly receive Your blessings. Preserve us from the lie that You are a cruel oppressor, and give us thankful hearts to rejoice that You are the Giver of all good gifts. Lord, in Your mercy,

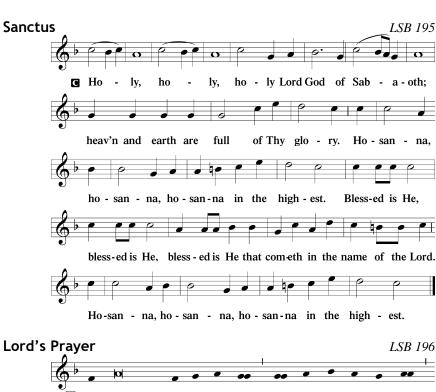
- C hear our prayer.
- Merciful God, preserve Your Church by Your life-giving Word. Open the lips of pastors to declare Your just decrees and store them up in the hearts of Your people, that we may delight in Your promises and abound in good works. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- O Lord, give wisdom and courage to parents as they teach their children Your ways. Make our homes havens of peace in a quarrelsome, self-seeking world. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Heavenly Father, You declare that a young man may keep his way pure by guarding it according to Your Word. Protect children and youth against the siren calls of the devil, the world and their own sinful nature. Grant delight in Your testimonies as much as in all riches. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Almighty God, according to Your wisdom You establish rulers of this age for a time. Remember Joseph, our president; ______, our governor; and all those You have placed in authority, that they might fulfill their duties with wisdom. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Holy Father, cause healing to spring up speedily for the sake of Your Son. Have mercy upon those who suffer afflictions of sin in mind and body [especially _____]. Where You permit trial to remain, preserve Your people in faith until the day when Your light breaks forth like the dawn. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P O God, in Christ Your righteousness goes before us and Your glory is our rearguard. Answer our pleas for mercy this day in the gift of Christ's body and blood, and prepare all those who commune to receive Him worthily and joyfully. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Holy Spirit, that delivered from the spirit of this world, we may hold fast in faith to what You freely give us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

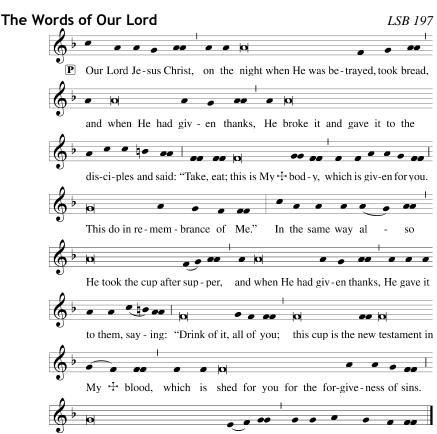


It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:











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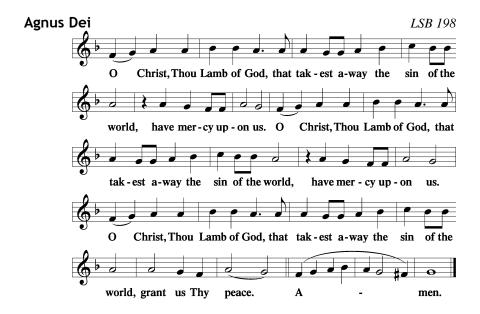
in re-mem-brance of Me."



This do, as often as you drink it,

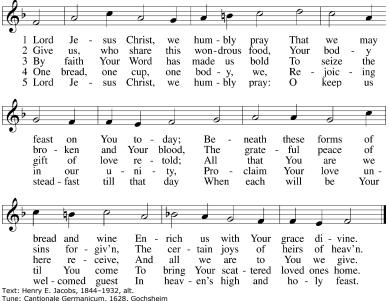
P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.





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Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure, Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding: Humbly now, I bow before You; Love incarnate, I adore You; Worthily let me receive You And, so favored, never leave You.

- 6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends, most tender, Jesus, joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring: At Your feet I cry, my maker, Let me be a fit partaker Of this blessèd food from heaven. For our good, Your glory, given.
- 7 Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish, To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness. By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.
- 8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me gladly here obey You. By Your love I am invited, Be Your love with love requited: By this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure. Through the gift of grace You give me As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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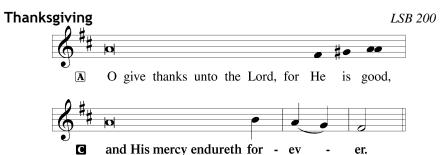




- Oh, how blest it is to know:
 Were as scarlet my transgression,
 It shall be as white as snow
 By Thy blood and bitter passion;
 For these words I now believe:
 Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted. Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 7 Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven; And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to Him I cleave: Jesus sinners doth receive.

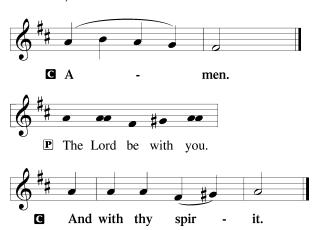
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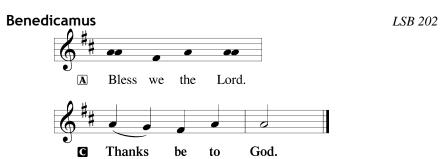


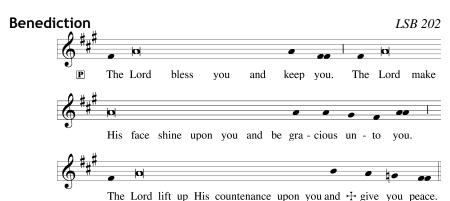


A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.













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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School: At 10:15 am in the Lutheran Student Center.

Bible Study: 10:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. We are studying 1/2 Thessalonians

Thursday Bible Study: Noon in the Fellowship Hall we are studying 1/2 Peter.

Tuesday LSF Bible Study: - Every Tuesday evening at 7:00pm Bible Study for the LSF students at the Lutheran Student Center. We are currently studying the book of John

Confirmation Classes: Every Wednesday in the Lutheran Student Center from 4:00 to 5:00 pm.

February Newsletter: there are copies on the wall under the T.V. for you to take.

Adult Choir Will practice on February 8,2023 at 7:00 pm

New sign-up Sheets for- 2023- are now the wall:

Communion Attendants: Jan to Mar, 2023 Sunday Morning Bible Class Snacks: Jan to Mar, 2023 (We need people for March 19th.) College Refreshment Snack: Jan to April, 2023 (We need people for Feb 14th. thru April 25th.) Altar Guild Schedule Jan to Dec, 2023 (We need people for September & November).

Parking Lot

Parking Lot Special Fund: The new parking lot is done. In addition to the parking lot itself, we will need to fund the following as part of the parking lot project: landscaping, and a new shed. If you would like to make a donation toward this project--above and beyond your normal offering, please list "Parking Lot Fund" on your donation and place it in the offering plate. Any questions can be directed to Christy Rush (treasurer) or any Council member.

FEBRUARY 2023 LWML MISSION GRANT

Worship Anew — Sharing The Gospel Message Through Weekly Broadcasts

Reaching the Homebound with God's Word Lutheran Media Ministries, Inc. Worship Anew — \$100,000

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! (Psalm 95:6).

Lutheran Ministries Media reaches the homebound and aging with the life-saving message of the Gospel through the weekly broadcast ministry of Worship Anew. Worship Anew has been on the air since 1965, starting in Toledo, Ohio and moving in 1980 to Fort Wayne, Indiana. There is a long history of collaboration with the church community. LCMS pastors, Lutheran choirs, and others provide content for the media programming. Many care facilities and service organizations use the programming provided through Worship Anew.

The aging population faces health issues that prevent them from attending church or cause them to remain home from church to care for an ailing loved one. Accessibility to the faithful teaching and understanding of the Bible as taught in our creeds and Lutheran Confessions is important. Worship Anew provides a clear, accessible Gospel message, and its impact is exponential. It celebrates the new life all people have in Jesus. Christ's love shared through weekly Scripture readings, favorite church hymns, prayers, and a sermon message reveals God's grace and truth.

Worship Anew has seen tremendous growth due to the ability to broadcast throughout the United States on television via broadcast over-the-air, satellite, and cable providers. Worship Anew is broadcast on DIRECTV, the TCT (Tri-State Christian Television), American Forces Network (AFN), and regular air channels.

With the advent of streaming internet television, each week's Worship Anew program is accessible via the internet and on smart devices such as Roku and Apple TV.

Worship Anew receives calls and letters from its viewers every day sharing their thanks and praise for the programing. A viewer from Northern Illinois District shared the following message: "I want to thank you for everything you do. I enjoy the services every week. It has been a godsend. When I was in the hospital, I came across your program scanning channels. That was six years ago. I have watched it ever since! I sing along with the hymns. I enjoy the different pastors and their sermons! My hubby is even getting interested again (he has PTSD from Vietnam)."

With the help of this grant, Lutheran Media Ministries can secure the on-air broadcast time on a new nationwide station and can enhance the online presence of Worship Anew. By strengthening its presence on television and the internet, more people will hear the proclamation of God's Word and its saving message.

To learn more, go to worshipanew.org

Learn more about this mission grant at lwml.org/mission-grants



IWMI

Lutheran Women in Mission

Packaging Back Packs for area school children has resumed. Please contact Sue Kamprath to participate in this project by requesting a Thrivent Action Team Grant to purchase weekend food items. **Plastic bags** are again needed for the Back Pack Program.

Today is **Mite Collection Sunday.** Copies of Mite Challenge Calendar will be available which provides a daily prayer and mite contribution suggestion. The Mite Challenge Calendar, mite box and "Mustard Seed" devotion found on Lutheran Women in Mission FaceBook site, provide a personal devotion.

LWML Zone Prayer Service will be held Saturday, February 25, 2023, Immanuel Fellowship Hall, Rolla. Registration begins at 11:15 am, luncheon at 11:30 am and prayer service at 12:30 pm.

A donation of mites for district mission projects will be taken and an in-gathering conducted benefiting the weekend "Back Pack" program. Suggested items for the in-gathering are 4 count package pudding cups, 6 count package applesauce cups, 8 count package cheese on cheese crackers, 8 count package peanut butter on cheese crackers, 6 count package single serving raisins, 12 count package individually wrapped granola bars, 32 count package individually wrapped fruit and grain bars, 15 oz. can of Chef Boyardee pasta, 4.6 oz. original Vienna sausage in can.

The ladies of Immanuel are asked to donate salads for the luncheon and are encouraged to attend and bring a guest. Please contact Mary Wittmaier or Carla Roedemeier to RSVP and inform of salad donation.

Servant Workshop will be held Tuesday, February 21, 1-3 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Projects for this workshop continue to be marking Bibles for Prison Ministry (we are nearing the last of the supply), sewing dresses for Orphan Grain Train, tying quilts for Lutheran World Relief (21 are completed toward our goal of 100 by September 2023)

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

To God be the glory

Leisure Lutherans

Card and Game Day, every Thursday at 1:00 pm after Bible Class. Everyone is welcome to participate.

The "Revitalizing" meeting of Leisure Lutherans on Wednesday, January 18, resulted in an effort to renew the activities and service projects of the organization. Plans are underway to schedule meetings, lunches, information programs, and service projects. Please watch for bulletin announcements and newsletter articles inviting retirees to participate. Currently, Kathy Nickason and Mary Wittmaier are serving as co-chair.

Valentine
Pot Luck Lunch
Wednesday, February 8, 2023
12:00 noon
Church Fellowship Hall

Leisure Lutherans will provide the meat (chicken) and beverages and ask those attending to bring a side dish.

Those in attendance will prepare Valentine cards for Immanuel's homebound members.

Please RSVP Kathy Nickason, Nancy Anderson, Mary Wittmaier or sign up on the RSVP sheet located on the Leisure Lutheran bulletin board in the fellowship hall. See you there.

Lutherans For Life

Message from Mary Wittmaier, LFL Rolla Chapter President:

Do abortion and physician-assisted suicide rest our faith in God's power or men's wisdom (I Corinthians 2:5)? Has not Christ crucified proved the beauty of being with one another even in weakness and trembling (I Corinthians 2:3) rather than hiding from our own flesh (Isaiah 57:8)? And will not what God has prepared for those who love him (I Corinthians 2:9) ease fears about surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis (Psalm 112:7)?

Copies of "Life Date", a quarterly journal of news and commentary from Lutherans For Life, are available for the taking in the "Information Center" in the narthex. This publication is filled with life issue articles and an addressed envelope for donations to become or maintain Lutherans For Life membership. Feel free to take one and add it to your reading list this winter.

Thrivent Members

The beginning of a new year presents the opportunity for all Thrivent members to request two new \$250 Action Team Grants to fund the non-profit project of choice. Action Team Grants fund many LWML Servant Workshop projects. To request an Action Team Grant log on to www.thrivent.com. Please contact Sue

Kamprath with questions regarding the Back Pack Program; Carla Roedemeier or Mary Wittmaier regarding quilts, pillowcase dresses, and/or Bags for Babies.

Choice Dollars for 2022 can be designated until March 31, 2023. Log on to www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice to access your Thrivent account and designate your Choice Dollars to the non-profit organization of your choosing.

Lutheran Hour Ministries

Project Connect:

Messages from: Bill Wuenscher:

Bulletin Announcement for Sunday, February 5,

Regrets, Realty, Restoration (6BE159) We can move beyond the crippling pain our decisions may have caused.

The Flower Chart:

For 2023 is now up on the wall. Please sign up for what Month and Day that you would like to do. Thank You.

Please let us know if you are ordering the flowers or are having someone else order them for you, or if you want us to order them. Also please let me know what you would like to have on the card. This is very important - when ordering please make sure that they have on the card who the flowers are from. Thank you



Sunday School: Will start at 10:15 in the lower level of the Lutheran Student Center. We'll learn about creation; man's fall into sin & that God promised to send a Savior.

Lesson Summaries

Unit 5

GOD LEADS HIS NATIONS:

Lesson 5:

Feb. 05,

"The Downfall Wall" is the title of this week's lesson. Confident in their wall, the people of Jericho shut themselves up inside the city. Following God's unusual plan. Joshua gathers the priests, trumpets, ark of the covenant, and people. Six days they march around the city, then seven times on the seventh day, giving a shout at the conclusion of the last circuit. The city walls come tumbling down, and the Israelites wipe out the citizens and livestock while plundering precious metals for the tabernacle. Yet Rahab and her family are spared.