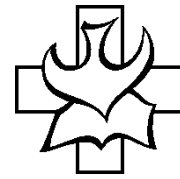




SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER THE EPIPHANY
JANUARY 19, 2025



DEAR FRIENDS, WELCOME! May your journey with our Lord Jesus fill your hearts with peace through the promises of His Son. We welcome you in the name of Christ Jesus, the Savior of the world.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Holy Spirit, in whose province lies the whole matter of sanctification, keep Christ the center of our lives, the core of our families, and the heart of our community, that in Christ our lives, our families, and our community may truly be set apart for God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

WE OFFER THANKS for God’s grace and mercy in Christ Jesus. We praise Him for His undeserved forgiveness and continuing love. We pray for those suffering trials including Jerry Bandel, Glenn Tracy, Jim Berroth, Evelyn Schmidt, Louie Diehl, Tilden Imthurn, Amy Summervill, David Savage, Tony Meseke, Barbara Theel, Joe Holenbeck, Ruth Tracy, Rev. Chris Kellogg, Rev. Terry DeGiovani, Joyce Whute, Lucas Sanders, and our shut-ins. We ask God to comfort with the hope of a blessed reunion in heaven the family of Keith Schultz who was called to his heavenly home last week.



HOLY COMMUNION: The people of God are blessed by God, in this life and in the life to come. The Holy Spirit brings unity with all the saints of God through the Lord’s Supper. Due to the strict warnings of Scripture (I Cor. 11), we must examine ourselves properly to receive the benefits of this thanksgiving meal, which is a “foretaste of the feast to come.” In the Lord’s Supper, Christ is present with His Body and blood. Guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service. All may come forward to receive a blessing by placing their hands over their heart.

OUR ACTIVITIES FOR CHRIST THIS WEEK

TODAY	8:30am	Sunday School / Bible Class
	9:30am	Communion Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)
	10:45am	Church Council Meeting
		Teens for Christ - Selling Sub Sandwiches
MONDAY		<i>SJLS – No School</i>
	9:00am	No Quilt Tying
	11:00am	Keith Schultz Funeral
	12:00pm	Pray for Missions Around the World
TUESDAY	7:00pm	Choir
	6:15am	Bible Breakfast @ Frank’s
	7:30pm	Theology on Tap @ Rockin K’s, Manhattan
WEDNESDAY	8:15am	<i>Chapel</i>

	6:15pm	Confirmation
	7:00pm	JuBellation
THURSDAY	9:30am	Bible Class
	7:00pm	Book Study @ Elaine's, Read Pgs. 3-42
FRIDAY	9:00am	Harvesters
SUNDAY	8:30am	Sunday School / Bible Class
	9:30am	Worship Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)
	11:00am	Voters' Meeting

OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST		JANUARY 12, 2025	
Attendance:			
Sunday	92	Livestream	37 Views 445
Sunday School	23		
Total receipts	\$9,028.43	<i>Weekly Budget Needs:</i>	<i>\$10,646.00</i>

WORSHIP SERVANTS: Sunday School Teachers: Jim MacGregor, Dennis Theel, Lisa Thompson, Traci Dickens; Altar Guild: Carla Johnston, Deanna Moege; Greeters: Tim Swicegood, Rita Zeller & Jeannie Stuewe; Acolytes: Kameron Moege, Sadie Wright & Nora Mumaw; Ushers: Kevin Moege, Matthew Anderson, Ron Ford, Richard Orton, Todd Orton, Dale Peterson, Jared Schultz, Jarrod Wertzberger; Children's Message: Harmon Butler; Technicians: Bruce Schultz, Whitney Howard, Carol White.

OFFERING ENVELOPES are on the tables in the hallway outside the church office. Please help our stewardship board make these deliveries and get them to our members.



ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to place flowers on the alter in 2025 in memory of or thanksgiving for someone, or an event, please sign the altar flower schedule on the pillar in the entryway of the church.

BOOK STUDY: The group is looking at "The Hammer of God." They will meet again on January 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at Elaine Becker's home. Please read pages 3-42. There is a handout with study questions that can be downloaded at <https://ctsfw.net/media/pdfs/plesshammerofgodstudyguide.doc>.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTER were given by the Jim Berroth family in memory of Sharon Berroth.

SUB SANDWICHES: Teens for Christ will start taking orders for super bowl sub sandwiches today. The order form is an insert in the bulletin.

FCCLA AT WHS is looking for a Thrivent Action Team grant to help fund supplies for their State Leadership Conference. If you are willing to submit a request to help them, please contact Kendra Conrad or the church office.

A CHEERFUL FACE: First impressions are important to help others see Christ's love. If you are not currently scheduled as a greeter, but would like to be included or change your date to greet, please

contact the church office by January 21st at 785-765-3632 or email at stjohnalma@gmail.com. We will publish the 2025 schedule in the church's annual report.

MARCH FOR LIFE: The Kansas District and March for Life will be held January 29, 2025, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Topeka. Visit kslcns.org/2025-life-conference for more information and to register. The keynote speaker for the conference is Rev. Jeffrey Hemmer, Pastor of Bethany, Fairview Heights, Ill. He is the author of *Man Up!; The Quest for Masculinity*, which can be found at cph.org/man-up-the-quest-for-masculinity.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) is expanding their program into Wabaunsee and Potawatomie counties. Volunteers are needed who are able to dedicate 6-10 hours per month to advocate for child victims of abuse and neglect ensuring they have a voice in the court system. Seven training sessions start Monday, January 20th. You may contact Meredith Metzger at meredithm@sunflowerchildrensco.org.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Jan. 19	Fred Meyer Stephanie Theel Shantel Corp
Jan. 22	Nancy Sommer
Jan. 24	Thomas Theel
Jan. 25	Maria Wade Brandi Miller Harmon Butler