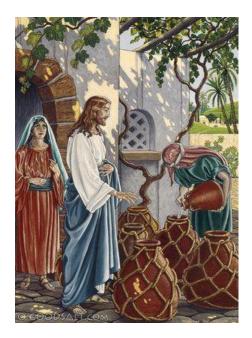
Grow ... Go ... Gather January 16, 2022



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The Second Sunday after the Epiphany The Order of Service (DS 4)

Preservice Music, Call to Worship, and Welcome

The Opening Hymn: LSB 913, "O Holy Spirit, Enter In" 10 Spir - it, Ho - ly en - ter in, And in our hearts 2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in our hearts 3 O might - y Rock, O Source of Let Your dear Word, life, Your work Your dwell - ing place be - gin, now make us. from this good hour As fire it may be glow ing, doubt and strife, In be strong - ly in us burn ing ~ Sun of Light di-vine, the soul, 0 A - round and in We faith - ful That in Chris - tian u - ni - ty true wit -That we be faith - ful un - to death And live in love bright-ly shine, То joy and glad - ness wake us us Your ness - es may be, glo ry ev - er show ing. and ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn ing. That be Tru - ly liv - ing, То You giv - ing we may preach - ing Hear By Your teach-ing; Let our us, cheer us Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er Praver un - ceas - ing And in love be still in - creas ing. Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh our la - bor And bor. Christ con - fess - ing, Let Sav-ior's bless us see our ing. Text and tune: Public domain

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **c** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

LSB 203

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

LSB 203

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.



The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson: *Isaiah* 62:1–5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see vour righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

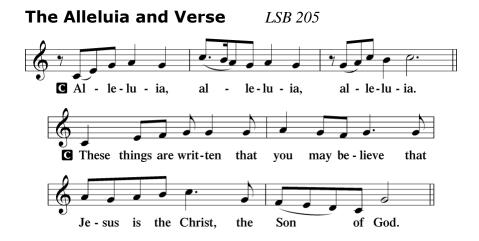
- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols,

however you were led. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

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





The Gospel Lesson: John 2:1–11

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed (on the back cover of the hymnal)

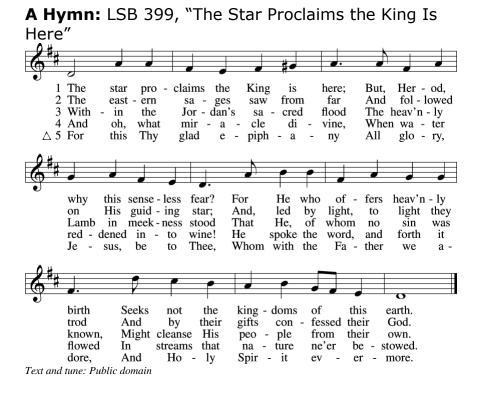


The Sermon

The Offering: During the Offering, we will sing, "Beloved, Let Us Love One Another" (AGPS #72) **Chorus** Beloved let us love one another For love is of God and ev'ryone that loveth Is born of God and knoweth God He that loveth not knoweth not God for God is love Beloved let us love one another

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The Prayer of the Church & The Lord's Prayer



Announcements/Blessing for Online Worshippers

T The Service of the Sacrament (pp. 208ff) T

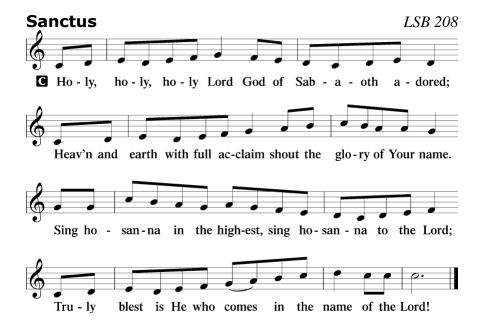
Preface

LSB 208

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

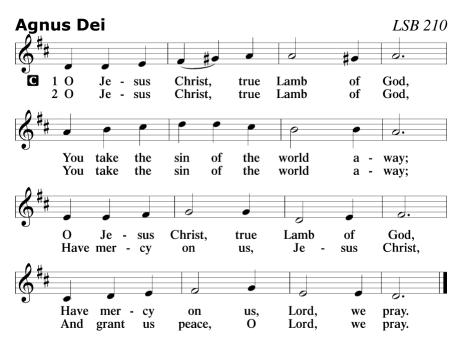
It is truly good, right, and salutary that we Ρ should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your onlybegotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



The Words of Institution

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

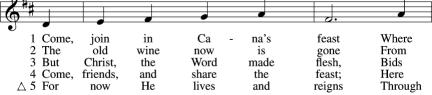


During the Distribution we will sing:

LSB 408, "Come, Join in Cana's Feast" and

LSB 636, "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" (Verses 1, 3, 4, 5, 8)

Come, Join in Cana's Feast



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The Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray.

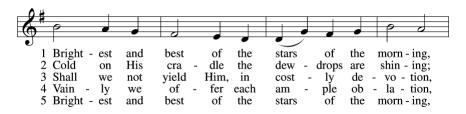
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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

C Amen.

The Benedicamus and Benediction LSB 212

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
- C Amen.

The Closing Hymn: LSB 400, "Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning"



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	Dawn on our dark - ness and lend us thine aid;
	Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;
	Fra - grance of E - dom and of - f'rings di - vine,
	Vain - ly with gifts would His fa - vor se - cure.
	Dawn on our dark - ness and lend us thine aid;
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	Star of the East, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,
	An - gels a - dore Him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
	Gems of the moun - tain and pearls of the o - cean,
	Rich - er by far is the heart's ad - o - ra - tion;
	Star of the East, the ho - ri - zon a - dorn - ing,
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C	Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
	Mak - er and Mon - arch and Sav - ior of all.
	Myrrh from the for - est and gold from the mine?
	Dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
	Guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Events of the Week: January 16 – 23

TODAY:	KIDZ TIME during the sermon, pre-2nd					
	11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour					
	11:00 a.m. Bible Study					
Monday:	6:30 p.m. Monday Evening Worship					
	Service w/ Holy Communion					
	7:30 p.m. By Laws Committee Meeting					
Tuesday:	6:00 p.m. ISJ Board Meeting					
	7:30 p.m. Bible Study on Zoom					
Wed:	10:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Darrell					
Friday:	Pastor's Day off					
Sunday:	8:00 a.m. Gizmo Devotions on FB					
	9:30 a.m. WORSHIP at St James & FBL.					
	11:00 a.m. Bible Study					

Those who serve Today:

Deacons: Craig Popma and Bryan Ensing **Ushers**: Jim and Nancy Spears **Lector:** Charlie Kirt

Those who serve January 23:

Deacon: Craig Popma **Ushers:** Orlin Bowman, Dale and Grace Rosema **Lector:** Craig Popma

January Altar Guild: Cindy McAuliffe

FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP: January 9, 2022

General Fund		\$6,020.00
Future Building Expansion		65.00
Plate Collections		40.00
Tessaro Ministry Nigeria		25.00
	Total:	\$6,150.00
On-line giving		110.00
	Total:	\$6,260.00

2021 Year End Financial Statements are done. Check your mailboxes.

<u>Our Savior Lutheran Church, Hartland MI</u>, Life Team, Protect Young Eyes, and LFL of MI are sponsoring a **Mental Health & Children Seminar** on **Saturday**, **February 12**, 2022, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 and can only be purchased online at: <u>https://oursaviorlifeteam0222.eventbrite.com/</u>. Last day to purchase tickets is January 29, 2022. Morning refreshments and lunch will be provided. Speakers are Chris McKenna, Founder & CEO of Protect Young Eyes, Pastor Michael Salemink, LFL Executive Director of Mission and Ministry, and Eric Hipple, former quarterback of the Detroit Lions and a member of Our



Please turn in your February Newsletter items by Wednesday, January 19th. Thank you.

"Knit/Crocheted Together in Love"

sponsored by LWML

Where:

St. James Lutheran Church First Floor Classroom

When:

After Church on *Sunday, January 23, 2022* 10:45 am to 1:00 pm

<u>Who</u>:

Anyone, male or female, ages 13 and up interested in:

- · learning the basics of knitting/crocheting
- · advancing knitting/crocheting skills
- sharing knitting/crocheting skills and patterns
- \cdot visiting with others while working on own project
- · fun and Christian fellowship

What to bring:

- · Your own snacks/lunch
- Knitting needles or Crochet hook if you have them/one. If not, no problem, we will have some for you to borrow.

• **Yarn, if you** If not, we some for



have some. will have you.

· Enthusiasm to learn

"May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else ..." 1 Thessalonians 3:12

You are invited to let your love overflow! For Valentine's Day St. James' LWML will be assembling trays of cookies to show St. James love to first responders, care staff at congregate settings, neighborhood school staffs, and other care givers in our community. Everyone can help share the love of our Lord by getting involved!

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Bake some



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cookies with love!

Assemble trays of delicious cookies at the February 6^{th} LWML meeting!

Carry the love into the community by delivering a tray!

Wrap individual baked goods with plastic wrap or small snack bags. Deliver your goodies to church on or before Sunday, February 6th. If you would like to write cards of encouragement for the organizations that receive the treats, or if you would like to help deliver trays, speak to Sandra before February 6.

Beyond the Walls with Jesus – 1 Peter 2:12 A Conference for Laity and Church Workers Together

St. Peter says in 1 Peter 2:12, "Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation." It is difficult to live honorably as a child of God when the Church is increasingly marginalized and ridiculed. At this conference, our keynote speakers will help us consider how our faith can shine as we engage with the culture outside the walls of the church

Where is the conference? Our Savior, Lansing

When is the conference? February 5, 2022

Keynote speakers include: Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer; Rev. Dr. Joel Lehenbauer; Rev. Dr. Theodore Hopkins; and Mr. Greg Baylor.

Registration Fee? \$20.00 General and \$15.00 for a student.

For Livestream page.



details see the event

For more information visit: <u>www.michigandistrict.org/theological22</u>.

If you are interested attending in person, please speak to Pastor Schaeffer **ASAP** so that we can register together and arrange for transportation.

VBS CO-COORDINATOR NEEDED!

We have a volunteer to co-chair VBS but we are looking for **one more person** to help out! If you are willing to co-chair VBS, please contact Pastor Schaeffer ASAP!





ISJ Academy students will be singing at St. James next Sunday, January 23rd.

National Lutheran Schools Week: January 23–29, 2022

Did you know that there are more than 1,800 preschools, elementary schools, and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us in schools of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod? Each Lutheran school is an incubator for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike.

We thank God for our own ISJ Academy! Thank God for our principal, Mr. Alexander, the teachers, the support staff, and the Board members. Pray for the children and their families to grow in their faith in the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – through their association with ISJ Academy. Praise God for the partnership we share with our sister congregation, Immanuel Lutheran Church. Consider making a financial donation, separate and apart from your regular congregational offering to ISJ Academy, to support ISJ's ministry and mission. And, if you have a child or grandchild, please consider enrolling them as a student at ISJ!

To learn more about ISJ Academy, visit their website: <u>mychristianschool.com</u> or call the office at 616-363-0505.

