

# ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH- MISSOURI SYNOD

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## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 9, 2025

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** Divine Service Setting 1

**HYMNS:** LSB 865, 518, 781 v.1, 826

**LESSON:** Isaiah 6:1-8; 1 Corinthians 14:12b-20; Luke 5:1-11

**THEME: What an Absurd and Foolish Idea!**

**WORSHIP LIFE:** 76

**COLLECT OF THE DAY:** Oh 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. AMEN

**WELCOME:** We are happy to have you worship with us today. It is our prayer that you will receive spiritual profit from your fellowship with us. We invite you to worship with us. If you have no church home, you are welcome here.



## SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Following worship (maybe closer to 11:00 am, as we wait for Pastor Coop's arrival) on **Sunday, February 16th**, we will hold a Special Congregational Meeting to make an important decision for the future of St. John's. The Call Committee has been diligently reviewing names submitted by the District Office, along with two recommendations from our members, and we've interviewed potential pastors (see insert).

At the meeting, we will present our recommendation, and members will have the opportunity to vote to extend a call. We are honored to have Pastor Coop with us, and he will be available to place the call following the vote.

Your participation in this process is crucial, so please plan to attend, share your voice, and help us shape the future of St. John's in God's perfect timing.

## APPOINTMENTS WITH GOD – WE SERVE IN LOVE

Sunday, February 9	9:00 am	Worship Pastor Milo Fellowship / Coffee
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:45 am	Sunday School Movie Day & Lunch
Monday, February 10	10:00 am	St. John's Circle
Tuesday, February 11	9:00 am	Quilting
	1:30 pm	Women's Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Call Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 12	9:00 am	Men's Bible Study
	3:30 pm	Confirmation
	5:00 pm	ACT
	6:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday, February 13	7:00 pm	Women's Evening Bible Study
Sunday, February 16	9:00 am	Worship / Communion / Baptism Pastor Thomson Fellowship / Coffee
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Congregational Meeting</b>

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### WE PRAY FOR...

**Those battling cancer** – Lisa Baty, Pam Collins, Rev. Robin Collins, Ruth Ferguson, Darlene Horvath, Shirley Klitzke, Marcus Marsh, Jeff Moe, John Pearson, Carol Stevens, Elaine Wegner, Tim Wegner, Mickey Williams and Ray Williams.

**Those dealing with other health issues** – Maggie Borseth, Marilyn Boucher, Lois Du Chane, Yvonne Erdman, Rowan Grage, Lori Hawkins, Claire Hill, Vic Krueger, Rodney Larson Jr., Jordin Mae, Michele Messetler-Mondry, Mary Mikes, Jennie Reedquist, Shirley Renstrom, Clark Sadlo, Deborah Sergot, Cody Schuleke, Joseph Schuelke, Pat Scott, Colton Blake Shoemocker, Allen Stawarsky, Bruce Sundberg, Clyde Swanson, Roy Van Horn, and Connor Wood.

Our sister congregations in Puerto Rico: Prince of Peace in Mayaguez, Fountain of Life in Ponce and Lamb of God in San Juan and Our Together in Mission Missionaries, Rev. James & Deaconess Christel Neuendorf, and Lutheran Island Camp.

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### THANK YOU TO PASTOR MILO

We thank Pastor Milo for sharing God's Word with us today. If you need pastoral care during this time of transition, please contact our Vacancy Pastor, Pastor Thomson at (218-900-7164), or one of the Deacons.

**Hey Sunday School Kids.  
Let's have a Movie Day!**

Disney  
**MOANA 2**

**TODAY!**

**FOLLOWING SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Pizza, Popcorn, and an  
afternoon with friends!**

**Wear your PJ's and bring your  
favorite stuffed animal**

**Sledding is just not working out for us this year, but this will be a great day together!**





At the end of December, the Call Committee received five new pastors from the District Office with an additional two recommended by members of St. John's. Two agreed to an interview and are listed below:



### **Rev. Mark Harriss**

St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Steeleville, IL  
[stmarksteeleville.com](http://stmarksteeleville.com)

Sermons are available on their Facebook page, which is accessible through their website listed above. They do have a YouTube channel, but if you go directly to YouTube, it looks like all videos are 4 years old, so suggest going through Facebook if you have an account.



### **Rev. Nathan Henschen**

St. Paul Lutheran Church in Bancroft, NE  
St. John Lutheran Church in Lyons, NE  
no website available

Recent sermons are available on a Facebook page, but it is hard to find in a regular FB search: St. Johns Lutheran Church & St. Paul Lutheran Church. But if you put this address in web browser it will come up:

[facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064761846588&sk=about\\_details](https://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064761846588&sk=about_details)

He has also preached on [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com)

Please take the time to review these pastors. The Congregational Meeting to decide next steps will be February 16. We hope to have a strong representation of our congregation there for this important day.