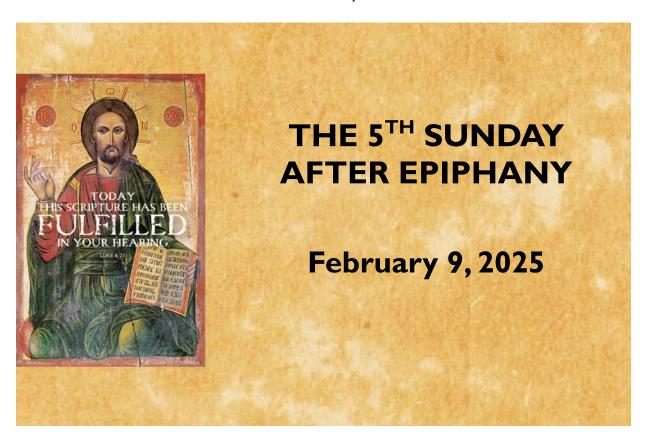
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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions; please feel free to speak with the pastor.

Our Purpose:

We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously.

Guiding Principles:

As instruments of God's love, when you see us at our best you will see us:

- -Generously stewarding God's gifts of resources, time, and talents
- -Serving as God's hands & feet in ministries & missions of outreach to all
- -Providing for the care of God's people, both physically and spiritually
- -Growing in Faith through worship, study, and discernment
- -Praising God through music, word, and service
- -Welcoming all people into fellowship with God

Important Worship Notes

All liturgies are printed within this bulletin.

Children's activity bags and children's bulletins are located on the podium in the hallway on the pulpit side of the sanctuary. Children's activity bags are also located on the coat rack behind the door of the choir loft side of the sanctuary.

P: Pastor C: Congregation L: Lay Reader A: Assisting Minister

If you are communing, please be sure to fill out a communion record card, for our church records, and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

+ 5th Sunday after Epiphany + February 9, 2025

INTRODUCTION

The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn't catch a thing. More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.
- C Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

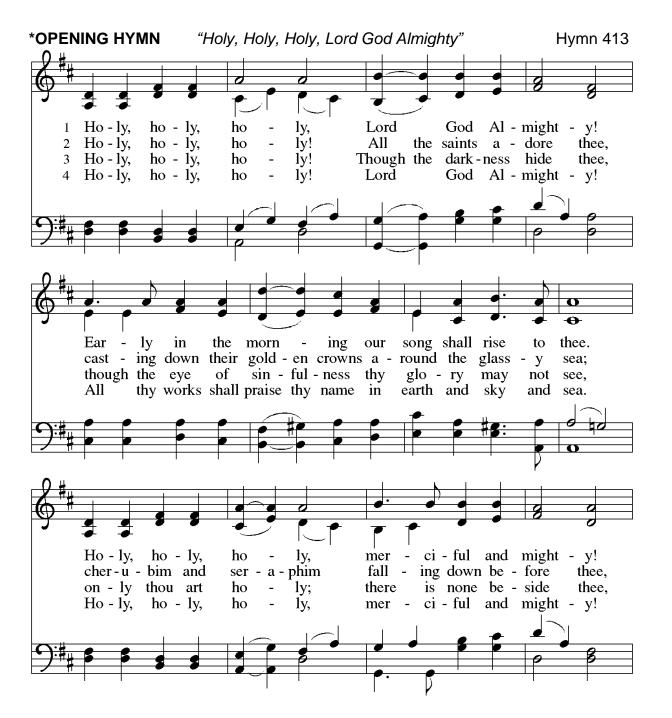
Silence is kept for reflection.

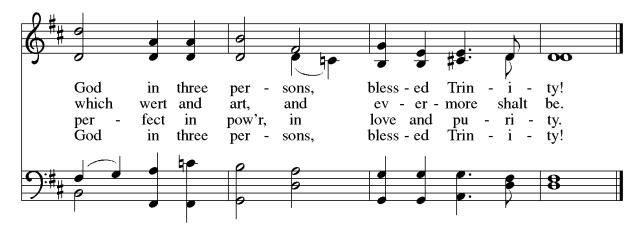
Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine." In \pm Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.





*GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE







*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 6:1-8

Through a vision in the temple, the eighth-century prophet Isaiah is called by God to announce judgment against Israel. Aware of his sinfulness and shortcomings, Isaiah is initially hesitant. But when God calls, Isaiah responds, "Here am I; send me!"

L The First Reading according to Isaiah 6:1-8

the King, the LORD of hosts!"

- ¹ In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said: Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen
- ⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"
- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM Psalm 138 read responsively

- A ¹ I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.
- ² I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.
 - ³ When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.
 - ⁴ All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.
 - ⁵ They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.
 - ⁶ The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.
 - ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
 - ⁸ You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

- A Holy wisdom, Holy word.
- C Thanks be to God.

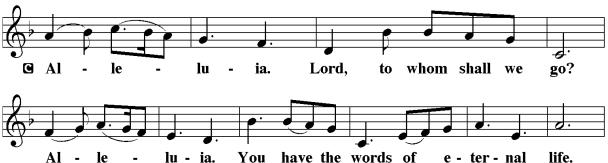
SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Paul delivers in a nutshell the story of the gospel that was given to him. In the lineage of the Christian faith, we have received the good news of God's love from generations of believers before us, and we continue to tell this story to the world.

- L The Second Reading according to 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
 - ¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, 2 through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, 4 and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures. ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. 9 For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. 11 Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.
- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





*GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11

Jesus' teaching of God's word has begun to draw great crowds. For Simon, James, and John, Jesus' teaching inspires hospitality, then obedience, and then risk. After Jesus' creative power is revealed, fear and amazement leads these three fishermen to leave everything behind to become apostles.

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke 5:1-11
- C Glory to you, O Lord.
- Р ¹Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, 2 he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵ Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." 6 When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. 7 So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" 9 For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; 10 and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." 11 When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him...
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON



*APOSTLES' CREED

A Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church.

the communion of saints.

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

God of creation, provide protection from the elements and other hazards to all whose work brings them outside: for fishers, ranchers, line workers, and construction crews. Guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Open the hearts of all leaders, especially those who serve in the armed forces, that they respond to their commission with wisdom and patience. Ensure that all who serve are kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental illness, injury, or illness of any kind. Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Call our faith communities to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of this congregation, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith. May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

THE MEAL

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Grace and Majesty"

Jason Krug

"Grace and Majesty" Jason Krug ©2025 Grassy Meadow Music All Rights Reserved Reprinted/Podcast by permission from Grassy Meadow Music All rights reserved Hand Bell Choir

(Use this time to reflect on your financial and spiritual offerings to God.)

There are a number of ways of making your offerings to God during this time. One is to place your offering in our offering plates in front of the pews or to give online at https://stpaulsyorkst.org/give. If you prefer not to give online, you may of course mail a check to St. Paul's. If you are not able to give monetarily during this time, know that your prayers and praise are a pleasing offering to God. If you are able to give a little more during this time, please consider doing so as a way of supporting your fellow disciples who are not able to.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. God of grace,
- your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and

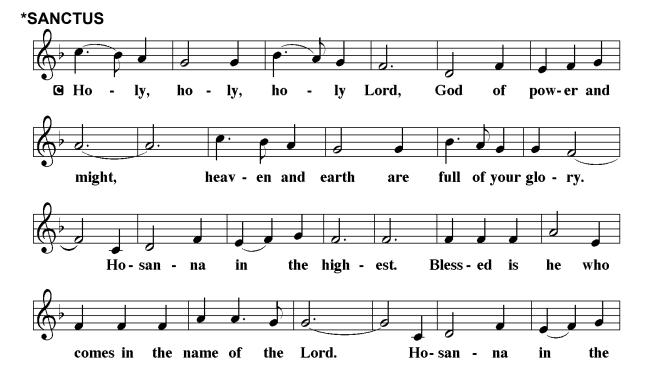
our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. Amen.

*DIALOGUE

- 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 our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C Amen!

*LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

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.

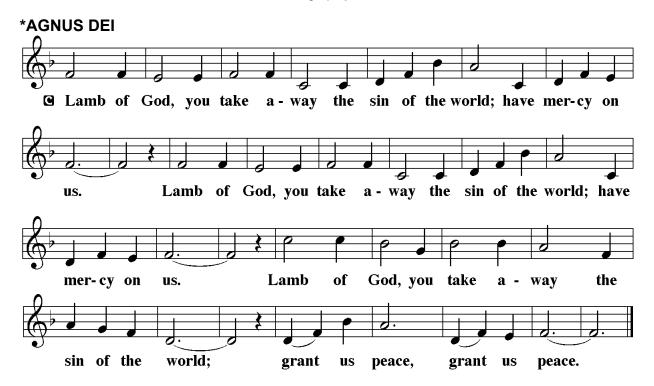
Amen.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

If you wish to receive communion from your seat, please let an usher know.

Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.



DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

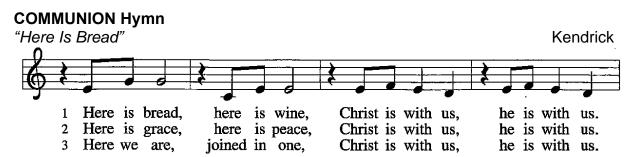
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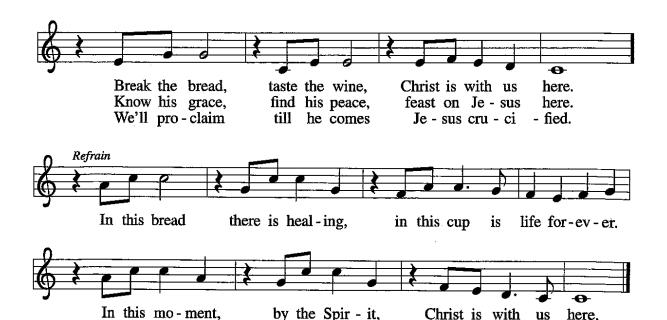
Hand Bell Choir

"Here I am, Lord"

arr. Honore

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*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

C Amen.

THE SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

- P The Spirit of the triune God + bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.
- C Amen.





*DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Live in hope.

C We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God.

*POSTLUDE

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	February 9	February 16
Assisting Minister	Frank Hueske	Russ Kaltreider
Acolyte	Jocelyn Fissel	Leah Kaltreider
Lay Reader	Frank Hueske	Dan Fuhrman
Communion Distributors	Mary Yohe	Glenn Alwine
	Bill Sowers	Dan Fuhrman
Ushers	Michael Kelly	Michael Kelly
	Sharon Kelly	Sharon Kelly
Altar Committee	Becki Davis	Becki Davis
	Norma Lucabaugh	Norma Lucabaugh

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR IN OUR CHURCH LOUNGE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE.

^{*} Stand if you are able

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We know that fellowship is an important part of our faith community; that's why we hold Coffee Hour after church each Sunday. We are looking for volunteers to help keep our Coffee Hour going! There is a sign-up sheet in the lounge for folks to volunteer as coffee makers or to bring snacks. Coffee makers would start the coffee urn around 9 a.m. (coffee training available on request!) Both volunteers would help with set up and clean up. If you have questions, see Russ Kaltreider. Thank you for your help!

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE: Please contact Maureen Kaltreider in the church office or at <u>finance@stpaulsyorkst.org</u>

Radio—Feb. 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date) Altar Flowers-Feb. 16 (1 vase at \$20 each); March 2 (2 vases at \$20 each) Communion Bread and Wine-Feb. 16, 23, March 2, 5, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$12 each date) Worship Bulletins-Feb. 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$20 each date) Eternal flame-Feb. 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$10 each date)

DAILY DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE, for anyone who is not attending the children's Faith Formation classes, is held following the Worship Service. Grab some coffee and snacks in the lounge and join us **in the nursery, across from the lounge,** to dive a little deeper into the day's Bible readings. We should finish by 11:30 am.

FEBRUARY'S DESIGNATED GIVING will go to support our missionaries, The Swanson's, in Tanzania. Their newsletter can be found on the bulletin board across from Pastor's office.

FAITH IN ACTION NEWS: Our Souper Bowl "soup" collection will through today. We are collecting regular size cans of soup (10.5 oz) for the Saturday Morning Grocery Ministry here at St. Paul's. Any kind of soup is acceptable. We are setting a goal of 400 cans this year. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

FELLOWSHIP HALL FLOOR REFINISHING – Beginning Tueday afternoon, February 18th, the Fellowship Hall and kitchen floor will be off limits until Friday, February 21st. We want to allow ample time for the stripping and refinishing of the floors to take place. Thank you for your understanding.

SOMETHING'S BREWING BIBLE STUDY - Monday evenings at 7:00pm in the Lounge. Join us!

LENTEN BOOK STUDY: Join us Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room on the 2nd floor beginning March 11 as we study the elements of the Crucifixion with the book *He Chose the Nails* by Max Lucado. The book focuses on what Jesus did for us on the Cross by getting us to look at it in a new light, and with a fuller understanding. Please sign up on the sheet by the pastor's office or contact Carmen no later than February 24 so we may order your book.

THE ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB will meet on Wed., Feb. 26, 2025 at 12:30pm in the Conference Room on the second floor. The elevator will take you up to the second floor then follow the hallway to the Theater Room and go through that room into the Conference Room. Please bring a brown bag lunch and a drink if you like. The book we will be discussing is Then Came Hope by Buffy Andrews. This is an inspirational and emotional tale of love, loss, and the extraordinary power of the human spirit to overcome even our darkest moments. Buffy Andrews is a local author from the York, PA area who has spoken to our group before when we read one of her other books. Hope to see you there.

RUTH'S HARVEST-- The **Faith In Action Committee** has selected **Ruth's Harvest** as their Lenten project again this year. **Ruth's Harvest** is a free ministry of the Hanover Area Council of Churches adopted in 2013. This outreach effort focuses on child hunger in our community, providing healthy meals and snacks to children to take home for the weekend. For some children, free and reduced breakfast and lunch at school are the only meals they have, and are left without healthy meals, and often no meals over the weekend days when school is not in session. With this program, each Friday participating students receive a bag of food for the weekend which usually includes 2 breakfast entrees, 2 lunch entrees, 3 dinner entrees, several snacks, and disposable drinks.

The program requires single-serve fruit cups and vegetables, single-serve entrees, single-serve snacks, single-serve cereals, and single- serve drinks. Please bring your donations to the church and place them in the boxes found on the pulpit side of the hallway. This project will run during Lent from **Sunday, March 5, 2025-Sunday, April 21, 2025.** All donations will be delivered to the Ruth's Harvest drop off spot at St. Matthews Lutheran Church after Easter. Thank you for taking part in this outreach project again this year. Your generosity is always amazing.



SUN., FEB. 9	8:30 am 9:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM Worship Service – 5 th Sunday after Epiphany
Immediately following Communion		Children's Choir rehearsal – Children's Music Room Followed by Faith Formation
Immediately following Worship		Coffee Hour - Lounge
,	5 1	Daily Discipleship class – Nursery room (1st floor)
		Adult Choir II rehearsal - Choir Loft in the Sanctuary
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MON., FEB. 10	6:30 pm	Girl Scout Groups – 2 nd floor
MON, 1 LB. 10	7:00 pm	Something's Brewing Bible Study – Lounge
	7.00 pm	John Stanling & Browning Biblio Grady Lourings
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THUR., FEB. 13	6:00 pm	Bellchoir rehearsal – Balcony of the Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Cub Scouts – 2 nd Floor
	6:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop 102 - Youth Room & Gym Adult Choir I rehearsal – Choir Loft in the Sanctuary
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FRI., FEB. 14	3:00 pm	Grocery Ministry prep – Gym
SAT., FEB. 15	9:00 am	Heritage Choir rehearsal
	9:00 am	Grocery Ministry – St. Pauls Book Club
	5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Worship Service)
	6:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall
SUN., FEB. 16	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 6 th Sunday after Epiphany
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As a congregation in the Lower Susquehanna Synod which is partnered with a congregation or institution in the Konde Diocese of the ELCT, I want to make you aware of an upcoming opportunity to celebrate your partnership and learn more about our relationship with our companion synod.

On February 23rd, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, the LSS Konde Committee will sponsor a Konde Companionship Event at Advent Lutheran Church in York (1775 East Market Street). During the event you will have the opportunity to hear from several members of the St. Paul's/York group of 24 that traveled to Konde in June 2024. They will show pictures and talk about their travel experiences – how they planned and prepared for their trip, how they experienced meeting and celebrating with their companion congregation of Mpuguso, what inspired them about their trip, and what problems they ran into. If you have ever thought about visiting Tanzania, you won't want to miss their compelling presentation.

During the companionship event you will also be able to hear about the challenges of women's ministry in Konde Diocese, learn how the Widows' Fund is making a difference in the lives of 100 widows in one district of Konde Diocese, prepare for the Synod 5K walk/run fundraiser for Mbeya Hospital, or relax by painting a colorful Swahili sign to take home with you.



There is no registration or entrance fee required for this event. Light Tanzania-inspired refreshments will be served.

Mark your calendars for this fun-filled and motivating event! For more information, contact Pastor Dione Klepetka at (717) 744-5076 or dionekl@comcast.net.