



MESSENGER NEWSLETTER
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

“The small church with a BIG heart: Ordinary people

With an extra ordinary message!

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

BABBTOWN

Sunday Worship

8:00 A.M. Worship with (Holy
 Communion)

Bible Study and Sunday School 9:10
 A.M.

SCHUBERT

Sunday Worship

Sunday school

9:15 A.M.

Bible study 9:30 A.M.

10:00 A.M. Worship with
 (Holy Communion)

Also Streaming on Vimeo and Facebook

FEBRUARY AT GLANCE

Feb 1 Lutheran Schools Meeting
 Feb 2 Men's Bible Study 6pm
 Feb 3 Circuit Meeting at St. John's
 Feb 4 wkday/Confirmation 6-7:30pm
 Feb 9 Individual Confession 5pm
 Open Bible Study 6pm
 Feb 11 wkday/Confirmation 6-7:30pm
 Feb 15 Mission Sunday
 Sunday School 9am
 Basket Lunch and Pie Auction
 Feb 17 Women's Bible Study 10am
 Feb 18 wkday/Confirmation 6-7pm
 Ash Wednesday 7pm
 Feb 22 Babbtown Chili Supper 11-4
 Feb 23 Individual Confession 5pm
 Open Bible Study 6pm
 Feb 25 wkday/Confirmation 6-7pm
 Lent Midweek Service 7pm

**Jesus, I will ponder now
 On Thy holy Passion;
 With Thy Spirit me endow
 For such meditation.
 Grant that I in love and faith
 May the image cherish
 Of Thy suff'ring, pain, and death
 That I may not perish**
TLH 140 "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now"

Dear Saints,

On February 18th, the Church enters the holy season of Lent, a period of focused repentance for our sins and a preparation for the celebration of our Lord's resurrection. Our Ash Wednesday liturgy will begin with a brief description of this holy season, including these words, "From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope." Our entire lives are to be ones of devotion to God, self-denial, and repentance before God. However, in this season that we will soon enter, the focus becomes ever more pointed.

The first hymn in TLH under the section for Lent is the 17th century hymn above, "Jesus, I Will Ponder Now". In it, we are reminded that we are to ponder our Lord's Passion, to be reminded that it was our sin that led him to such a cross and death. It is a pondering that brings us to our knees, realizing the severity of our sins and not excusing them. This cross of our Lord, though, is an image that we also cherish, for it is by his cross that we have been delivered from sin and death. What a beautiful image Christ's cross is for us!

May God bless this Lenten season as we ponder our Lord's Passion with prayer, fasting, and giving of alms, as we prepare to celebrate the coming feast on Easter!

Soli Deo Gloria,
 Pastor

SPEAKING FOR LIFE:

“God loves you in your vulnerability so much that He subjected Himself to conform to a vulnerable human body. So today ... remember that Jesus, in whom all things hold together, loves you, individually. He is fully present with you just as He was in His mother’s arms. God’s peace be with you this day, this night.”

Andrea Delwiche – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Evangelism Report:

Mission Sunday will be February 15th.

Care kits are available in the side entrance. Please feel free to take one and give it to someone in need.

Prayer chain requests, please text Molly Boeckmann at 573-338-4309

St. John's Lutheran Church, Schubert

MISSION

SUNDAY

IS
FEBRUARY 15

A Special Day at St. John's

The Missouri Association for Creation (MAC) promotes Creation by God as the best, most reasonable and true explanation of the origin of life and the world—in contrast to those who believe in the Theory of Evolution.

Marv Schaefer, MAC President, will join us at 9 AM—in place of Sunday School and Bible Study, to share information that can equip us to better proclaim and explain Creation by God using scientific evidence and Scripture.

Following Worship, we'll have our traditional Basket Lunch—so bring your favorite dish and a little extra to share!

After lunch, we'll have some final comments from Marv Schaefer.

We'll conclude the day with our "world famous" Pie Auction!

A portion of the proceeds will help to support the mission of MAC

Our Agenda

- 9 AM - MAC Presentation
- 10 AM - Worship Service
- Following times are approximate
- 11:15 - Basket Lunch
- Noon - MAC Summary
- 12:15 PM - Pie Auction

Join us and bring a friend. Learn more about Creation. Enjoy some fellowship. Buy a delicious pie!

Don't miss this. It will be stellar!

VDMA
The Word of the Lord remains forever

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."
Genesis 1:1

FEBRUARY 2026

Usher Schedule

Feb 1 Kurt Boeckmann
Andy Beach
Feb 8 Kurt Boeckmann
John Hanes
Feb15 Kurt Boeckmann
Skyler Haslag
Feb22 Kurt Boeckmann
Matt Belcher

Communion Assistants

Feb 1 Allan Forbis
Gene Walkenhorst
Feb 8 Mark Russell
Gary Stroup
Feb15 Allan Forbis
Gene Walkenhorst
Feb22 Mark Russell
Gary Stroup

Greeters

Feb 1 Lynn Lofton, front
Mary Kuhlmann, side

Feb 8 Linda Brenner, front
Donna Skelly, side

Feb15 Jennifer Hanes, front
Mary Vida, side

Feb22 Lynn Lofton, front
Mary Kuhlmann, side

Sunday School Offering

Feb 1 Gabe Marble

Feb 8 Isabelle Marble

Feb15 Ariana Skelly

Feb22 Kennady Grothoff

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

(Schubert)

Feb 1 Carol Pleus
Feb 3 Sara Spurgeon
Feb 5 Jennifer Hanes
Feb15 Emmitt Carver
Feb18 Kathryn Grothoff
Feb19 Braxton Dippold
Feb21 Isabelle Marble
Feb23 Jim Kemmer
Feb27 Laiken Bohl
Feb28 David Bartel
Jennifer Murray
Rebecca Welschmeyer

(Babbtown)

Feb 4 Jeremiah Schubert
Feb12 Donna Mueller
Feb27 Bailey Bushjost

MARCH, 2026
NEWSLETTER Items
are due
FEBRUARY 22, 2026
Newsletter items may be
placed in Jan's mailbox.

Or they may be e-mailed to
stjohnslutheranjcmo@gmail.com

Any announcement:
Weddings, birthdays,
anniversaries, personal notes,
pictures or church related
business are welcome.

FEBRUARY 2026
CHURCH
CLEANING
Gary Lofton
Linda Brenner
ALTAR GUILD
Linda Brenner
Ronda Williams

FEBRUARY 2026

January 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Lutheran Schools Meeting, after worship	2 Men's Bible Study, 6pm	3 Circuit Meeting at Schubert	4 Wkday/Confirmation Class, 6-7:30pm	5	6	7
8 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany	9 Private Confession, 5pm Open Bible Study, 6pm	10	11 Wkday/Confirmation Class, 6-7:30pm	12	13	14
15 Transfiguration Sunday Mission Sunday (Schubert) Sunday School 9am Basket Lunch & Pie Auction after worship	16	17 Women's Bible Study, 10am	18 Wkday/Confirmation Class, 6-7pm Ash Wednesday Worship, 7pm	19	20	21
22 First Sunday in Lent Babbtown Chili Supper, 11am-4pm	23 Private Confession, 5pm Open Bible Study, 6pm	24	25 Wkday/Confirmation Class, 6-7pm Lenten Midweek Worship, 7pm	26	27	28
			January 2026		EVERY SUNDAY	
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