



Date	Sundays Festivals	1st Reading	Psalm	2nd Reading	Gospel
February 1	4th Sunday of Epiphany	Micah 6:1-8	Psalm 15	I Corinthians 1: 18-31	Matthew 5:1-12
February 8	5th Sunday of Epiphany	Isaiah 58: 1-9	Psalm 112: 1-9	I Corinthians 2: 1-16	Matthew 5: 13-20
February 15	Transfiguration of Our Lord	Exodus 24: 12-18	Psalm 2 or Psalm 99	2 Peter 1: 16-21	Matthew 17: 1-9
February 18	Ash Wednesday	Joel 2: 1-2 and 12-17	Psalm 51: 1-17	2 Corinthians 5: 20-6:10	Matthew 6: 1-6; 16-21
February 22	1st Sunday of Lent	Genesis 2: 15-17	Psalm 32	Romans 5: 12-19	Matthew 4: 1-11



The call person for
February is Susan Ramsey
406- 437-1507

Greeters and Readers for February:

- February 1 Kim & Joe Kondelik
- February 8 Lisa & Dave Rowell and Susan Ramsey
- February 15 Ted & Patti Aston and Cal Janes
- February 18 **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7 P.M.**
- February 22 Don & Jackie Kynett and Jamie & Kari Williams

WHO?

ATTENTION—EVERYONE!!! It's a fun, family, afternoon event!

What?

TRIVIA

where

At the church

When

February 22, 2:00 PM

COST—\$0 You may wish to bring



WHY?

It's **FUN** and because
Chuck Smith has the
best questions!!!!

Sponsored by WELCA

"Share a Little Love With Your Heart"

- Select a **HEART** from the Valentine Basket at church.
- Share some **LOVE** and kindness with the names you drew.
- A small gesture of **LOVE** helps lift others up!
- Share your time with a visit or a call; run and errand or do a chore. Share a favorite treat or your specialty.
- Send a card with some kind words of **GOD'S LOVE** and **GRACE. PRAY** for or be a welcoming surprise to a member of your church family.



Share a little bit of your love!



- February 4 WELCA ladies will assemble Valentine goodie bags for our youth **Wed. 10:30 (downstairs in the church)**
- February 10 WELCA meeting 4:00 p.m.
- February 12 Choir Practice 12:00 noon
- February 15 Choir Practice 8:30 a.m. & Church Council 10:45
No Sunday School President's Day
- February 17 Men's Prayer Breakfast 6:30 a.m.
- February 18 Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.
- February 22 Trivia Event 2:00 p.m.

It's Committee Time again!

Every year we have an opportunity to get involved with new church committees. As Rick Arnold said at the annual meeting. *"It's the committees that help accomplish the work of our church."* He is absolutely right! Please ask God to use your hands and heart. Which committees will you consider?

Committee Opportunities:

Membership and Hospitality

Education

Property and Maintenance

Helping Hands

Worship & Music

Visitation and Prayer Chain

Stewardship

Youth Activities

Lawn and Grounds





Ash Wednesday Service: SVLC

Wednesday, February 18, 2023 7:00 P M

Lent is a period of 40 days when Christians remember the events leading up to and including the death of Christ.

Lenten Worship Schedule

February 18	Ash Wednesday Service 7:00– no soup
February 25	Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.
March 4	Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.
March 11	Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.
March 18	Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.
March 26	Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.



Bible Study Opportunities:

Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. At the Church– Faith
Thursday: 9 a.m. Breakfast Blessings Bible Study



Choir Rehearsal: February 12, 12:00 noon
Choir Rehearsal and Performance: February 15, 8:30 a.m.

There's a sign-up sheet for Sunday School at the back of the church.



February 1	Sunday School
February 8	Sunday School
February 15	No Sunday School– President's Day Weekend
February 22	Sunday School

**"Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it."
Proverbs 22:6**



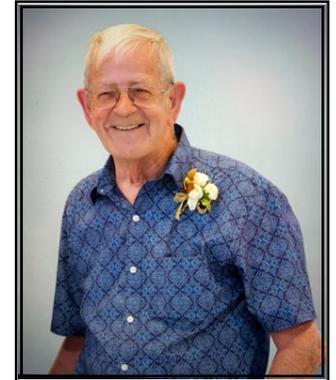
Daryl provides live streaming every Sunday!
Margie Urich assists with streaming .



Thanks to everyone who helped take down Christmas decorations!



Thank you Lisa for taking the Treasurer's job! We appreciate all the work you do behind the scene!



A final thanks to Mike Colbert who not only served as our treasurer for many, many years, but Mike was our friend and fellow servant of God. Mike filled everyone's heart; he loved and was loved by all who met him.

Thank you to the four ladies who organize our ushering and fellowship on a weekly basis. We appreciate their diligence and organization.

- Bonnie Berglind
- Teresa Raisland
- Susan Ramsey
- Marilyn Blumhagen



Thanks Aiden Moser & Jim Beck for your work in providing a weekly bulletin.



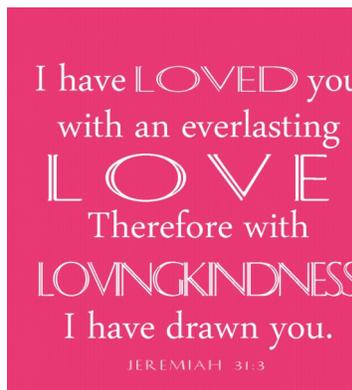
We love our musicians who provide a joyful worship opportunity for all of us.

Thank you:
Council Members, Call Committee
Membership & Visitations &
Helping Hands, Worship,
Maintenance & Lawn & Yard

Thanks to everyone who gives their time and energy to SVLC. We have the generous help of many people!



Thank you Steve Ward for your work as a (SAM) Synod Authorized Minister.



Thank you Gretchen Carrels for your leadership in Bible Study and sharing God's word as an Lay Minister Associate.

January 11, 2026 Meeting of the SVLC Council



Council members present: Clint Watson, Dave Rowell, Aiden Mosher, Diane Johnson, Virgil Binkley, Jim Beck, and Rick Arnold

Council member absent: Julie Mikula

Others attending the meeting: Treasurer Lisa Rowell and Steve Ward, SAM

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 am by President Rick Arnold. Rick led the council in prayer.

Church member comments: There was no correspondence from a member or a member present at the meeting.

Diane Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 14, 2025 regular-meeting. The motion was seconded by Steve Ward and passed.

Treasurer's report: Lisa Rowell reported:

The December offering was \$7641 and other income was \$737

Monthly expenses were \$4365

December's rental income was \$1720 with expenses of \$350

The end of December checking balance was \$3324

There was \$31,106 in the money market account with \$3000 of that encumbered

The MIF CD balance was \$250,000 with \$30,000 of that in a plumbing reserve

Clint Watson moved to accept the treasurer's report. Jim Beck seconded the motion, and it passed.

Rick Arnold said that an audit for 2025 should be performed. He will contact someone from the congregation to review the church's financial records.

SAM Report:

Steve Ward indicated that he had attended Jason Asselstine's induction as the director of Flathead Bible Camp.

He has a funeral on Friday, January 16

Call Committee Report:

Jim Beck showed the council the email that he received from Bishop Quanbeck in response to the Call Committee's inquiry about retired military chaplains and pastors from other Lutheran denominations. He said that having a pastor from another Lutheran denomination is possible, but it involves a lengthy process through the Synod. There may be potential to seek a retired chaplain. He will make some contacts to determine the potential and process for making connections.

After discussion, President Arnold directed the Call Committee to see if there are areas where there are excess pastors and determine how they can be contacted.

Committee Reports:

The worship and Music Committee reported that a book storage cube has been purchased for the piano music.

The committee is looking into possibilities for organizing the choir music.

The Property and Maintenance Committee showed a comparison of the monitoring well water levels for 2023-2025 and a map showing the direction of groundwater flow in the area of the church.

Clint Watson was asked if he would construct a six number hymn display board. It was suggested that he see if memorial funds could be used for the materials. Clint said that he would have to know the dimensions of the numbers before completing the construction of the board. President Arnold tasked the Worship and Music Committee with determining the number size, conveying that to Clint Watson, and making a recommendation to him as to what numbers to order.

Continuing Business:

Rick Arnold and Steve Ward presented the results of the rental sale survey. The preliminary report, based on the surveys available as of meeting time, indicated that of the 132 members eligible to offer an opinion. There were 72 responses, with 30 in favor of selling the rental, 38 opposed to the sale, and 4 not expressing an opinion. The four surveys not expressing an opinion did have a comment(s). The survey comments had not been summarized.

A summary of the survey is to be presented at the annual meeting.

New Business:

A 2025 covenant for the Synod Approved Minister (SAM) was reviewed. Diane Johnson moved and Dave Rowell seconded a motion to approve the covenant. Three copies of the covenant were signed by Steve Ward and Rick Arnold. They will be sent to the Synod for signature, with two copies being returned for the church and Steve Ward.

Council Member Concerns:

Jim Beck said that he has been asked to approve the storage of large yard sale items (furniture) in the church basement. He does not believe he has the authority for such approval and asked the council for a policy or guidance in the matter. Steve Ward made a motion that no yard sale items should be stored in the church until one week before the date of the yard sale. Diane Johnson seconded the motion and it passed.

Steve Ward remarked that because of the upcoming funeral on Friday, the flowers on the alter will need to be moved. It was suggested that they be taken to the rest home and Diane Johnson agreed to deliver them on January 13.

There was a discussion of a second conference table in the Conference Room. Clint Watson answered that he would have one similar to the current table constructed. He and Aiden Mosher will obtain a pew from the basement as source material for the table.

There being no further business, Steve Ward made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Aiden Mosher and passed at 12:14 pm. The meeting attendees prayed the Lord's Prayer.

Jim Beck, Secretary

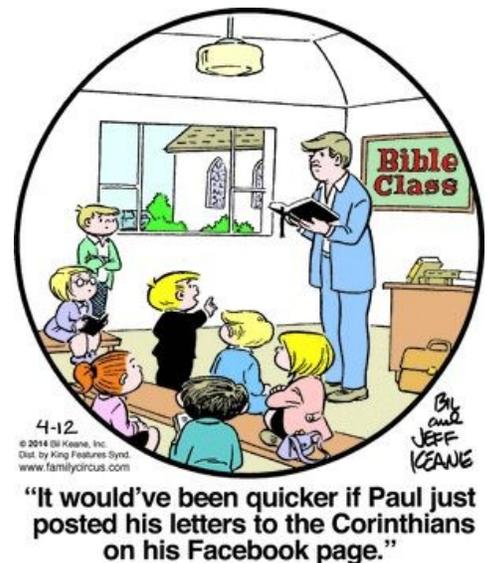
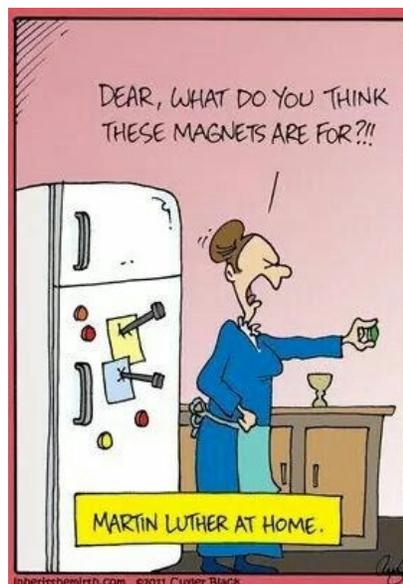
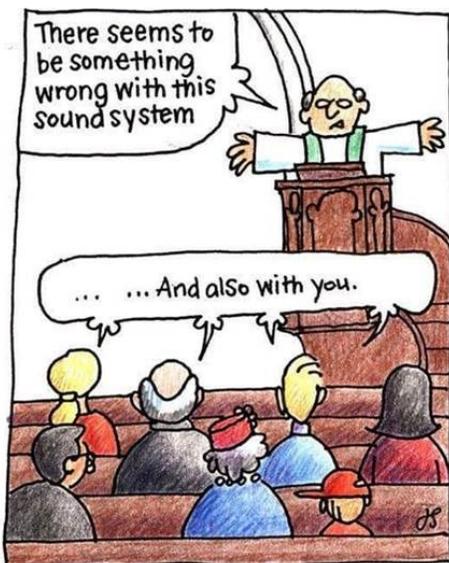
Rick Arnold, President



February Birthdays:

Judy Riddle	February 5
Haakon Oiestad	February 5
Tom Grabinski	February 7
Rick Arnold	February 8

Some Lutheran Levity



Thanks Tom Grabinski!