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January 4 – Second Sunday after Christmas

Luke 2:49 – "And he said to them, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?'"
What a privilege the Lord has given to us by calling us to come to His house! It is not a burden but rather an honor and a blessing for us to always be able to come to a place where we know God is present for us in His gifts of Word and Sacrament. Likewise, the Lord has honored us by allowing us to support the work of His house with our tithes and offerings.

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
LCMS Stewardship Ministry
Stewardship Thoughts – January 2026

Serving This Week:

Servant Role	1/04 8:30 AM	1/04 11:00 AM	1/07 7:00 PM
Elder/ Greeter	Bob Smith	Bob Smith	
Ushers	Chris & Lucas G, Randy T, Scott C	Ray S & Doug D	Doug D & Tim B

Installation of Congregational Officers and Board Chairmen will take place during both services on January 4.

- **Sunday Worship Services are available online on Facebook and YouTube.**
- **The 11:00 service will be livestreamed on Sunday, January 4. This is subject to change without notice.**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 4
8:30 am - Contemporary Worship Service
9:45 am - Bible Class / Sunday School
11:00 am - Traditional Worship Service
12:15 pm - Confirmation Class

Monday, January 5
5:30 pm - Choir
6:30 pm - Handbells

Tuesday, January 6
8:30 am - Quilters
5:30 pm - Contemporary Rehearsal
6:30 pm - Board of Elders

Wednesday, January 7
7:00 pm - Worship Service

Thursday, January 8
10:00 - 11:30 am - Women's Bible Study

Sunday, January 11
8:30 am - Traditional Worship Service
9:45 am - Bible Class / Sunday School
11:00 am - Contemporary Worship Service
12:15 pm - Confirmation Class

Serving Next Week:

Servant Role	1/11 8:30 AM	1/11 11:00 AM	1/14 7:00 PM
Elder/ Greeter			
Ushers	Chris & Lucas G, Randy T, Scott C	Ray S & Tim B	Doug D & Larry N

Bible Class with Pastor Boshoven meets on Sundays in the Meeting Room from 9:45-10:45

A NOTE FOR FAMILIES: We love seeing children in our worship service! Their presence is a gift. To support our families with young children, we offer a Cry Room at the back of the sanctuary, equipped with a speaker so you won't miss the service. We also have reserved pews in the rear, allowing for easy exits if needed. Our goal is for everyone—parents, children, and **all members**—to have a blessed worship experience.

JANUARY VOTERS' ASSEMBLY: Our next Voters' Assembly is **January 18 at 12:15 PM**, following second service. Please join us for the meeting **and a potluck lunch**.

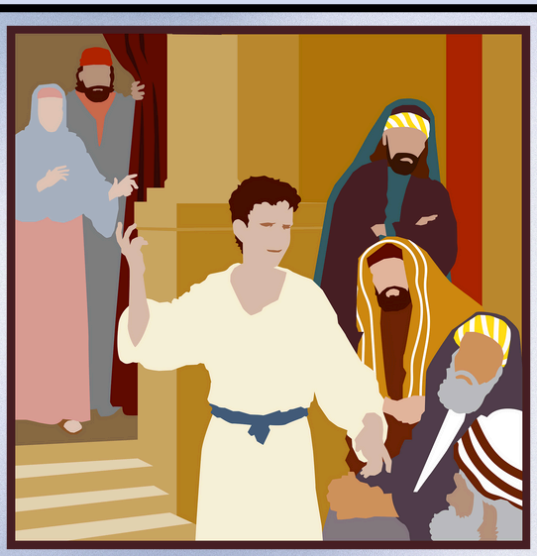
WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: The Women's Bible Study meets every **2nd and 4th Thursday from 10:00 - 11:30 AM**. The next one will be on **January 8**. If Caro School is closed for inclement weather, Bible Study will be canceled.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: FORGE will now be meeting every **2nd and 4th Wednesday at 3:00 PM**. The first meeting of 2026 will be on **Jan. 14**. We invite all men to join us!

JOY GROUP: Just Older Youth will meet in our church fellowship hall at **NOON on Thursday, January 22nd** for a **potluck lunch** followed by an afternoon of sharing, fun, and games. If you have a hobby or craft you would like to share, bring something to show us and tell us about it. Then we will play games. Please sign up and see more details on the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board.

YOUTH TRIP INTEREST MEETING: This summer, we are taking a group to the Michigan District Youth Gathering on Mackinac Island. This is open to all youth going into **9th grade - 2026 graduates.** Please join us for an interest meeting on **January 25 at 2:00 PM** to discuss all the details of the gathering.

CAN DRIVE FUNDRAISER: The high school youth are collecting pop cans and bottles to fundraise for the Michigan District Youth Gathering. Please bring any cans you have at home in to help support our youth!

CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY SUMMIT: Everyone is invited to attend "*Live to Tell About It!*" on **January 31 in Frankenmuth**. This is an opportunity to hear from ministry leaders and innovators who want to encourage all congregations in their ministry. You can register at *michigandistrict.org/cms26*

2026 ENVELOPES: Your contribution envelopes for 2026 are in the Fellowship Hall on the counter. Please pick them up from there. *After the new year, please discard your unused 2025 envelopes and use only those from your new box. Some of the envelope numbers do change from year to year.* **If you have your check automatically sent to the church from your bank, I have kept your weekly envelopes here in the office, and left the special envelopes in the envelope box. (Advent, Lent, Building Fund, etc.).** Thank you!