

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

February 2, 2025

10:30 am

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Choir Introit

Prayer of Preparation

Call to Worship

Lord, where can I go from Your spirit?
Where can I flee from Your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
And the light around me become night,
Even the darkness is not dark to you;
The night is as bright as the day,
For darkness is as light to you."

* Hymn #10 "O Worship the King"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Search me, and know my heart.
Test me, and know my thoughts.
See if there is any wicked way in me,
And lead me in the way everlasting.

(Silent confession)

**Holy God, we confess
that we are tempted to attach ourselves
to the wrong things, in the wrong way.
We put high expectations on the world,
and low expectations on ourselves.
We nurture fantasies of evasion and escape,
when you call us to engagement and transformation.
Cure our willful blindness. Transform our minds, our
hearts and our imaginations that we may see the
Light of the world, Jesus Christ. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the words of Paul, "What can separate us from the love of Christ?" "For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Believe and share the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

*Gloria Patri

(# 623 Hymnal)

Welcome and Announcements

Invitational music for **JLK** (#42 Hymnal)

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you—Allelu, alleluia!"

Choir Anthem: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

* The Doxology (#625 Hymnal)

* Offertory Prayer

Scripture: John 3:1-21

Sermon: "Nick in the Night: The Night in the Nick"

Dr. Andrew McDonald

Holy Communion

* Hymn #475 "Once to Every Man and Nation"

Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer

Choir Prayer Response

* Hymn #202 "Amazing Grace"

* Benediction

* *Choir Benediction*

* Postlude

* Stand, if comfortably able.

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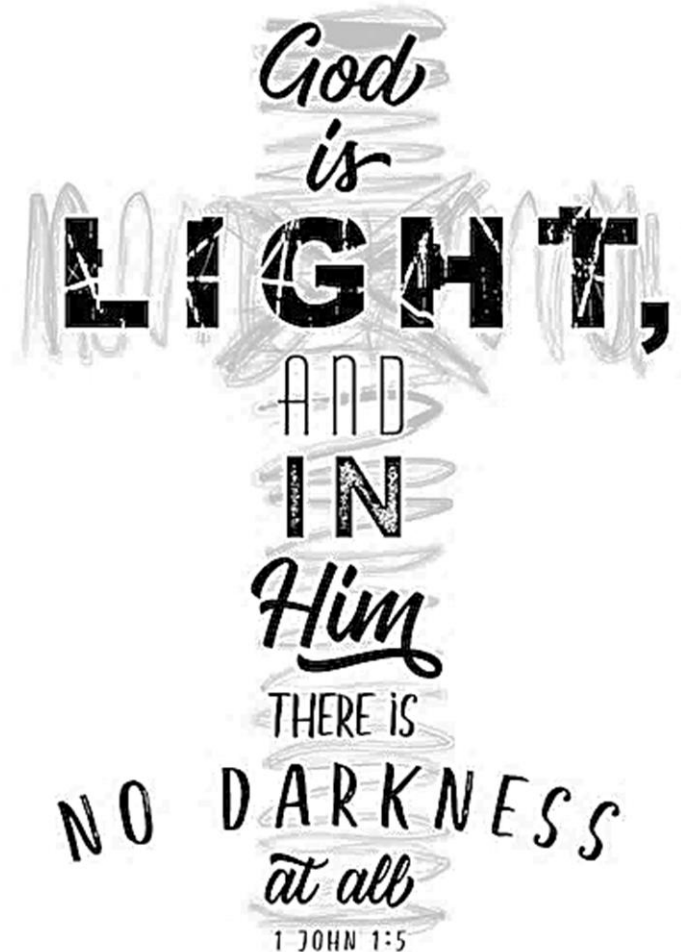
Mission Committee: Carole Taube

Building Committee: Teresa Bleyhl

Sunday School Teacher: Mary Steiger

Greeter: Scott & Mariann McWhinney

Prayer Needs: Brittany Blankenship, Trish Dudek, Shala Mannochahr, Zach Maxwell, Donna James, Marlene Keleher, Pauline Shroyer, Claire Barnhouse, Sam Waldron, Ann Tucker.



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THIS WEEK

Sunday (2-2)	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Mission Meeting	10:00 am
Tuesday (2-4)	Food Pantry	9-11 am
Thursday (2-6)	Bldg. Committee	11:00 am
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Friday (2-7)	Food Pantry	9-11 am

PLEASE NOTE:

Food Pantry: It is our turn to serve in the food pantry this week. Please sign up if you are able to help. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

Choir: Come and join our choir! We practice on Thursdays at 7:00. Come and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Greeters: Please sign up if you would like to be a greeter.

Focus groups: Our congregation is having several focus groups so Dr. McDonald can hear from us what our hopes and needs are for our Church and a permanent Pastor. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church for the one at Melody Schnell's home on February 5th at 6:00 pm. This will be the last one.

Per Capita: Our Per Capita this year is \$38.29 per active member. Please submit by February 23rd.

Church Expenses: If you would like a copy of 2024 church expenses, there are some copies at the back of the church.

Mission Meeting: The Mission Committee will meet on Monday @ 10 :00 am.

Happy Birthday! The Board of Deacons would like to wish Happy Birthday to the following people this week:

Barb Wier	February 3
Vonnie Volking	February 3
Lauren Kahley	February 7
Zackary Kahley	February 7
Dr. Andrew McDonald	February 9



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