

January 21, 2024

- ♦ *A warm welcome to all our visitors and guests, friends both old and new. We pray that God has blessed your time among us with His Word and Holy Spirit. We cordially invite you to join us this morning for coffee and other refreshments downstairs following the Divine Service; and we ask that you please sign the guest book at the back of the church.*
- ♦ **Family Bible Class:** *Next week*, Pastor Stephens will continue our study on the Gospel of Saint Matthew. Sunday School Classes are also in session.
- ♦ **Voters Assembly TODAY: Please plan to attend. Thank you!**
- ♦ **First Communion is TODAY** for those who are ready.
Next, **Sunday, January 28th** will be the Confirmation of Kimberley Siek.
- ♦ **Potluck Lunch: Sunday, January 28:** Deac. Rhein will be hosting an Annual Retreat for six Deaconess Students from Concordia Chicago. She was hoping Emmaus would help welcome them with a potluck lunch at Noon, after Bible Class, on Sunday, Jan. 28. It is being asked that we please bring a main dish and a dessert to share.
- ♦ **Welcome to God's family, Penelope Jane!** Emmausites are collecting diapering and baby girl items for Matthew and Alyssa. There will be a collection box in the fellowship hall for the next few weeks. If you feel so moved to help with meals, please feel free to visit <https://takethemameal.com/UCKY6240>. We also welcome you to bring them a homemade breakfast, lunch, dinner, fresh fruit/veg., and maybe a dessert as you are able. Thank you all for your support and generosity.
- ♦ **Beautification Committee Meeting:** *This Sunday or Next*, the Beautification Committee will be meeting after the Voter's Meeting or Bible Class. {Again, I am sorry for the unclarity, due to being out of town I needed to make sure this got done a head of time.}
- ♦ **Palm Burning: YES!** It is that time of year *already!* If you have old palm branches, crosses, etc. at home; please bring them in by February 11 for Pastor Stephens to burn for ashes. This year Ash Wednesday is February 14, Palm Sunday is March 24, and Easter is March 31.
- ♦ **ALTAR FLOWERS:** Please accept my apologies, due to traveling out of state this past week, Altar Flowers will be listed next week.
- ♦ **COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY 14: will be posted next week** - \$0.00.
To meet our financial obligations, an average of \$3,314 is needed each week.

Walking with Our Savior this Week

TODAY	<i>Divine Service of Communion</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>
	Coffee & Refreshments	10:30 a.m.
	Siek/Jordan	
	Voter's Assembly	10:45 a.m.
MONDAY	Brief Spoken Vespers	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Catechesis	2:30-3:45 p.m.
	Children's Choir & Youth Bible Study	4:15 p.m.
	Meal: Siek	5:00 p.m.
	Evening Prayer	6:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	<i>Divine Service for Conversion of Saint Paul</i>	<i>6:00 p.m.</i>
SATURDAY	<i>Private Confession & Absolution</i>	<i>11-12:00 p.m.</i>
NEXT SUNDAY	<i>Divine Service of Communion</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>
	Coffee & Refreshments	10:30 a.m.
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	Family Bible Class	<i>10:45 a.m.</i>

Pastor Stephens' office hours: Monday and Wednesday, 8:15-noon

*Private Confession and Absolution also available by appointment

Announcements can be sent by email to the church secretary at
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or text Rebecca Stephens at (201) 572-6962

You may also want to keep in mind, in your observance of daily prayer at home:

The appointed readings for next Sunday: *Septuagesima*:

Daniel 9:2-10, I Corinthians 9:24-10:4, St. Matthew 20:1-16.