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Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 8:30-1:30pm
Friday Closed

Adult Bible Study

Sunday 9:15am;
Thursday 2 pm
Sept. –May

Sunday School

9-10:15am Sept.—May

St. James Worship Service

Sunday 10:30 am
Wednesday 6 pm

St. Paul's Worship Service

Sunday 8:00 am
Bible Study 9:00 am

Organists

Mrs. Sharon Lutz
Mrs. Tracey Draper

*Congregations of the Lutheran Church
Missouri Synod
January 19, 2020
Second Sunday after the Epiphany*

Our Mission

“Reach UP, Reach Out, Reach In with the Lord!”



*St. James Lutheran Church
1106 S. Main St. Necedah, WI 54646*



*St. Paul's Lutheran Church
N15296 19th Ave. Nekoosa, WI 54457
(New Miner)*

The Members of St. James and St. Paul's
welcome you to the family of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Rev. Roger A. Erdman

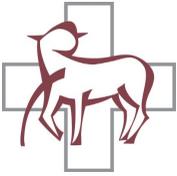
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Sunday Worship services at St. James are broadcast live by Mauston radio WRJC AM 1270 and 92.9FM

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 19, 2020

Hymns-856-839-628-644-649



Pre-Service Prayers (see inside front cover of LSB)

As We Gather

The Lord Manifests His Glory through His Office of the Holy Ministry

By His coming in the flesh and by His preaching and miracles, the Lord Jesus shines the light of His Gospel upon *“the people who walked in darkness”* and *“who dwelt in a land of deep darkness”* (Is. 9:2). He also has *“multiplied the nation”* and *“increased its joy”* (Is. 9:3) by calling disciples to Himself from the ends of the earth. For this purpose, He calls Peter and Andrew, with James and John, to follow Him and be *“fishers of men”* (Matt. 4:19). As Jesus did, they also go forth *“proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people”* (Matt. 4:23). They preach the foolishness of the cross of Christ as the very power and wisdom of God. This word and preaching of the cross divides *“those who are perishing”* from *“us who are being saved”* (1 Cor. 1:18), but it unites the Church, the one Body of Christ, *“in the same mind and the same judgment”* (1 Cor. 1:10).

Ringling of the Bells

Hymn of Invocation: LSB #856 “O Christ, Who Called the Twelve”

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Introit

I will tell of your name to my brothers;

in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,

and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

For kingship belongs to the Lord,

and he rules over the nations.

All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;

before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive.

Psalm 22:27–31; antiphon: v. 22

Posterity shall serve him;

it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;

they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,

that he has done it.

I will tell of your name to my brothers;

in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

♪ **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

The Kyrie – Pg. 186

Gloria in Excelsis-Pg. 187

Salutation– Pg. 189

Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ♪Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 9:1-4

¹ There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.

³ You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

⁴ For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Epistle Reading

Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. ¹²What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Alleluia-Pg. 190

Holy Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:12-25

¹²When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

¹⁶the people dwelling in darkness

have seen a great light,

and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,

on them a light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

¹⁸While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them,

“Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

²¹And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them.

²²Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. ²⁵And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

Apostles' Creed

Hymn of the Day: LSB #839 “O Christ, Our True and Only Light”

Sermon: “Is Christ Divided?”

Text: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Offertory: LSB pg. 192f “Create in Me”

Offering: *Please sign the record of fellowship pad found in each pew so we know who is worshipping with us today.*

(As the offering is brought forward, congregation stands, singing sts. 1 & 2 of LSB #781)

Our Prayers

The Divine Service of the Sacrament-Pg. 194 (SJ) only

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table all who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is professed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, must first speak with the pastor or the elder. For those who are in need of non-alcoholic wine, that is provided in the middle of the tray. Also, if you are in need of a gluten-free wafer please speak to an elder or the pastor before the service.

Distribution Hymns:

LSB #628 "Your Table I Approach"

LSB #644 "The Church's One Foundation"

Post-Communion Canticle-Pg. 199 "Nunc Dimittis"

Benediction- Pg. 202

Hymn of Departure: LSB #649 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Those Serving in our Worship Today:

Elder for the Month of January is Richard Braund

Trustee for the Month of January is Don Ennis

St. James Altar Care for the Month of January is Sandy Harry

St. Paul's Altar Care for the Month of January is Sue, Shelley

Acolytes-Dayton Oens/Alliyah Davis

Flowers: Given by-

Radio Sponsor: Sharon Lutz & Sue Kunferman

Special Needs for January

Tomah VA-Regular and/or Decaf Coffee; Coffee Creamer (Dry)

Necedah Food Pantry- Any non-perishable food item

Prayers for those in our family of faith and those close to us...

St. James Members

Those who are Homebound or in a Care facility

Gertrude Kirtz, Lois Lazeration

Those with special concerns....

Charlene Sitas

Tyler Burke

Lindy and Joyce Hanson

Alvina (nee Pollock) O' Connor

Daryl Fabian

Cindy Smith

Veronica Nelson

Olivia Oens

St. Paul's Members

Those who are Homebound or in a Care facility

Vernie Prust, Eleanor Van Meter

Those with special concerns...

Denna Winters, Mary Lou Trutt, Lowell Pals,

Gregg Winters (Son of Sharon Winters)

Mary Shear (Sister-in-law of Donna Klein)

Glen Skibba

Lori J

Leann Winters (wife of Dale Winters)

Karen Smedbron (Daughter of Delores Smedbron)

Jacqueline Webb (Susan Bennett's sister)

Todd Wallender (Patsy Wallender's son)

GINNY LINK

Amber Pfloughoeft (Granddaughter of Milt and Cindy Smith)

Catherine Hafkey (Sister of Cindy Smith)

Judy Ahlers (Sister of Deb Ennis)

Pastor John Siedschlag and Virginia

Dave and Judy Berna (son-in-law and daughter of Gert Kirtz)

Marylin Fuss (Megan's friend)

Karen Roy (Friend of Bonnie Augustynowicz)

Becky Smith (Friend of Christina Fischer)

Montey Stratton (Cousin of Christina Fischer)

Ed Kindschi (Sandy Harry's Nephew-in-Law)

Nikki Ravenscroft (Friend of Christina Fischer)

Vicki Rummel (Linda Randall's sister)

Darold Hamburg (Friend of Amanda Hatfield)

Margie Lawson (Vivian Kueker's sister)

Dusty Rummel (Linda Randall's brother)

Christine Dietz (ex-wife of Peter Taraban)

GINNY LINK

Ken Finke (Brother of Deb Ennis)

Those who are persecuted for Christ's Sake.

Pastor Ryan and Emily McDermott & their family .

Remember in Prayer: If you have a prayer request for yourself or a loved one, or are hospitalized either by an emergency or by planned care, please inform Pastor Erdman as soon as possible by calling his cell 920-312-2079, via his email pastor@stjamesnecedah.com or call the church office at 565-7252 and the information will be given to Pastor Erdman. Anyone who needs to reach Pastor Erdman, whether it is an emergency or non-emergency situation, please contact him by calling the church office at 565-7252 or his cell 920-312-2079.

Our Gifts to God for January 8,12

St. James

Budget Amt. Needed/wk.	\$ 1,538.46
Total Gifts to God	\$ 938.00
<u>Total Weekly Budget (under)</u>	<u>\$ (600.46)</u>

Attendance: 1-8 (5) 1-12 (51)

St. Paul's

Plate	\$ 5.00
<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>\$ 451.00</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 456.00</u>

Attendance: 1-12 (18)

God does not leave us alone to muddle through life however we can. He is always present to help, comfort, and strengthen.

“Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor Me” (Psalm 50:15).



Week of January 19-25

St. Paul's

Worship Service: 8 am w/c
Bible Study 9 am

St. James

Sunday School 9am; Bible Study 9:15 am
Worship Service: 10:30 w/c
Acolytes: Dayton Oens/Alliyah Davis

Monday-(SJ) Woman's Bible Study 6pm

Tuesday-Elder's Mtg 6pm Trustee's Mtg 6pm Church Council 7pm

Wednesday-Quilting 12 Noon; Confirmation at 4pm; Midweek Worship Svc. 6pm

Thursday: SJ Bible Study 2pm

Sunday, January 26, 2020

St. Paul's

Worship Service: 8am w/c
Bible Study 9am

St. James

Sunday School 9am; Bible Study 9:15am
Worship Service: 10:30 am w/c
Acolytes: Isabella Emanuel/Adam Smelcer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Voter's Meeting-The next Voter's Meeting for both **St. Paul's** and **St. James** is **Sunday, February 2**, following their respective worship service.

MARCH FOR LIFE: Sunday, January 26, 2020 at the Juneau County Courthouse, 101 State Street, Mauston at 1:00 p.m. The march is for 47 minutes (one minute for each year since Roe vs. Wade, 1-22-73). Following the march, a reception will be held at Reardon Hall, St. Pat's Church, 325 Mansion St., Mauston. For further details see the fliers posted at both congregations.

It's Coming Necedah Change War-Make a donation all proceeds to benefit the Necedah Food Pantry Dates will be **Feb 1st-0** change jar will be set up in the fellowship hall.

(SJ) We would like to thank Tim Brockwell -for teaching the Early Childhood Sunday School class at times when Lisa had a scheduling conflict. It is wonderful to have his involvement and it sends a very positive message to the children and others in our congregation. Thank you Tim!

(SJ) Thank you-to those at St. James who completed and returned their Commitment Form for 2020. We pray for God's guidance and help to fulfill these commitments, as we walk the path of "consecrated stewards".

Thrivent Members-Please check to see if your accounts have earned any "choice dollars" for 2019. If so, you must designate where you want the money sent such as St. James' Church or St. Paul's church etc. This must be done prior to March 31. Please be good stewards and let this money be put to use. If you need help please call Sharon.

(SJ) Please pick up Poinsettia's after church on Sunday January 19-if you would like to take yours home.

Unplanned Movie-January 30 6pm-8:30pm Showing at St. Mary's Catholic Church 117 Juneau St., Lyndon Station Free Admission. Be Challenged & inspired by "Unplanned", the dramatic true story of a former Planned Parenthood director's eye-opening journey across the life line.

(SJ) Family Night- Will be meeting on **Saturday February 22**, from 5pm to 8pm Any questions contact Christina Fischer.

St. James Bible Study/Ladies Aid- Will resume meeting again Monday, January 20th the group meets on the third Monday of each month at 6 PM.

LLL Breakfast Bible Study-Saturday February 8, 2020 at St. James, 8am. *All are Welcome.*

St. Paul's Soup 'n Sandwich-Everyone is invited to St. Paul's the 2nd Wednesday of each month from November-March for the annual Soup' n Sandwich Luncheon. Join us for warm soups and even warmer fellowship! Our next luncheon will be on **February 12th from 11:30am-1pm**. Please join us! There is no charge, but a free-will offering is appreciated.

St. Paul's Ladies Aid Next LWML/Ladies Aid meeting is going to be March 9, 2020. And Noisy Sunday for mites will be January 26, 2020.

LIFE THOUGHTS -Deep grief and dense guilt have descended upon our people like a darkness (Isaiah 9:2) because death is viewed and used as a solution. Only the Gospel that Jesus Christ has come with a kingdom of forgiving grace (Matthew 4:17) can break any gloom's grip. Faith in His ways may feel ineffective, old-fashioned, and foolish (1 Corinthians 1:17-18), but even through our clumsy conversations and awkward interactions, God's love heals every disease and affliction (Matthew 4:23). *Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten our land's darknesses by bringing Your Spirit among us through Your Word. Amen.*