

West Prairie Free Lutheran Church

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday After Christmas – December 31st, 2023

Prelude – Welcome – Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Hymn Good Christian Friends, Rejoice 34

Praises and Prayer Requests

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Whereupon we come for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Declaration of Grace

Worship Song Projected

Scripture Readings Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3 Pew Bible 621
Luke 2:22-40 Pew Bible 857

Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed Hymnal p.32

Offering

Baptism of Ivory Woodbury

Hymn Go Tell It on the Mountain 44

Message Good News Lamentations 3:22-33
Pew Bible 688

Hymn All Glory Be to Christ Projected

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction & Doxology Hymn 390

This week at West Prairie (December 31 – January 7)

Wed 5:45 p.m. Confirmation
6:45 p.m. Youth Group
Thu 6:30 p.m. Women's Ministry Committee
Sun 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Communion Service
11:45 a.m. Pot-Blessing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POT-BLESSING Please join us for a pot-blessing after church next Sunday.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN feeds people in the name of Jesus. On January 11th, from 6:00 -8:00 p.m. at the Fargo Dome, we have reserved 50 spots to help pack food for this mission. If you are interested in joining us, please add your name to the signup in the narthex.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

4th - Tim Woodbury

If you are visiting today, please sign the guest book in the narthex. If you have any questions or needs, call Pastor Ryan at 701-429-7101

Wi-Fi password: Judges12:6
Reader next Sunday: Iris Patenaude
Ushers next Sunday: Michael & Sarah Klockmann

“While it is true that we need to be good stewards of God’s earthly gifts, it is sinful to think that we are in full control of preserving this world. It is sinful to fret about the destruction of this world before the Last Day. This world will not run out of natural resources. We will not be wiped out by climate change, a worldwide pandemic, or a meteor shower if and when those things happen. God says that as long as this earth endures—until Judgment Day—seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease. God is in control. God will protect, provide, and preserve this world. Trust in God and see His grace and mercy, especially when sin affects this world. Trust that He gives you what you don’t deserve and more than you could imagine.” *Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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