

Lent 2 (March 16th, 2025)
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Opening Hymn: 586 Preach You the Word

The Holy Baptism of Ledger Young Hurst

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Introit

For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,*

and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall- | en on me.

O God, why do you cast us off for- | ever?*

Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your | pasture?

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old, which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!*

Remember Mount Zion, where | you have dwelt.

Direct your steps to the perpetual | ruins;*

the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctu- | ary

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

For zeal for your house has con- | sumed me,*

and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fall- | en on me.

C Lord, have mercy;
 Christ, have mercy;
 Lord, have mercy.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 26:8–15

⁸When Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, “You shall die! ⁹Why have you prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, ‘This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant?’” And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

¹⁰When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king’s house to the house of the LORD and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the LORD.

¹¹Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, “This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears.”

¹²Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, “The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. ¹³Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the LORD your God, and the LORD will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. ¹⁴But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. ¹⁵Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the LORD sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

¹Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness!

You have given me relief when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

²**O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?**

How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?

³But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself;
the LORD hears when I call to him.

**⁴Be angry, and do not sin;
ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.**

⁵Offer right sacrifices,
and put your trust in the LORD.

**⁶There are many who say, “Who will show us some good?
Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!”**

⁷You have put more joy in my heart
than they have when their grain and wine abound.

**⁸In peace I will both lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

Epistle

Philippians 3:17—4:1

¹⁷Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

¹Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

Luke 13:31–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³¹At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.” ³²And he said to them, “Go and tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish my course.

³³Nevertheless, I must go on my way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.’ ³⁴O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! ³⁵Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 708 Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

P For this and all congregations, that the Lord would remember them, strengthen and defend His pastors and servants in the Church, and cause His people rightly to fear His wrath and rejoice in His redemption, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For hope in a world convulsed by sin, that we would believe that our eternal citizenship is in heaven and that our Lord Jesus Christ will subject all things to Himself, transforming our lowly bodies to be like His glorious body, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For our homes, that they would not be places to worship our bellies, glory in shame or set our minds on earthly things, but a refuge of love while here and a foretaste of our heavenly home, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For our nation and its officials, that the Lord would give them wisdom and integrity; and that neither they nor the citizens of our land would hinder His Church or despise His call to repentance, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the sick and afflicted, including:

Kay Brown (Sister of Dave and Lynn Matthews)

Lynn and Lori Matthews

Troy Stults (Son of Andy and Brenda Wolf)

Eldora Fuelling

Cheryl Caffee

Shelly Gerke (Wife of Troy Gerke)

Jim Thieme

Glen Deatrick for healing from a fall

Keith and Suzy Scherer

Susan Gerke (Sister of Steve and Jim Fuelling)

Harriet DeLong (Wife of Dan DeLong)

that He who cast out demons and performed cures on His way to the cross would strengthen their faith and deliver them from suffering, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For repentance and joyful confidence in Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, and that God would gather us at His altar in a true confession of His Word as a hen gathers her chicks, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For courage to bear reproach and declare boldly the name of Jesus, who suffered reproach and bore our sins to the cross, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering

Stand

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,**

**Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

- C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Distribution

454 Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

673 Jerusalem, My Happy Home

730 What Is the World to Me

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name
resounding
Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn to Depart: 666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe

In His Service Today:

Preacher: The Rev. Leonard Tanksley

Organist: Mrs. Vickie Hammond

Deacons: Joe Werling (Head), Dan DeLong, Mitch Billington, Nathan Scherer

Elders: Fred D. Fuelling (Head), Steve Fuelling, Matt Braun, Rodney Busick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offerings: March 9th- Home Purpose: \$1,825.00, Missions: \$100.00, SPI: \$200.00, Vanco: \$95.28

NOTE: Needed each week to meet the ministry needs of St. Peter: \$5,700.00.



You may also donate your offerings online by scanning the QR code with your phone.

The mission total as of the end of February is \$820.00 out of our \$12,000.00 budget.

WE REJOICE IN THE BAPTISM of Ledger Young Hurst, infant son of Cy & Maddi (Werling) Hurst. Ledger's Godparent is Morgun Werling, with Jamison Inskip and Brianna Myers as witnesses. Ledger was born on February 16th, 2025 and was welcomed home by his big sisters Layla Marie and Lizah Jane. His maternal grandparents are Joe & Heidi Werling, and maternal great-grandparents Bill & Sandy Werling. *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!*

April Newsletter Information: is due Friday March 21st. Thank you!

SPI Fry Pie Fundraiser: Orders will need to be turned in to Pastor Tanksley by **TODAY** Sunday, March 16th or be sent into SPI School office by Wednesday March 19th. Thank you for your support!

Easter Flowers: The order form is included in the bulletin inserts. Please note that orders need to be turned into **The Grainery** by **April 7th**. Thank you

Altar Guild: Looking for an interested individual who would like to join Altar Guild. There is a spot available for the month of May. Duties include setting up Communion and clean-up afterwards. Very minimal time commitment. Or if a current Altar Guild member would like to add another month, that would be ok as well. Please see either Pastor Tanksley or Amber Shaffer if you have questions or would like to join. Thank you!

Lenten Soup Suppers: There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex to volunteer to provide supper before one of the evening Wednesday Lenten services. There are still a few spots left. Volunteers in the past have provided either one or two kinds of soup, crackers and or bread, and a light dessert such as cookies, brownies, etc. Church will provide tableware (bowls, plates, cutlery, napkins) and bottled water.

SEMINARY FOOD CO-OP THEME for MARCH - "DINNER": During the month of March we will be collecting items for "Dinner". Items will be delivered to the Seminary the first of April. Some suggestions are but not limited to: Spaghetti & Alfredo sauce, pasta, noodles, canned meat & fruits, sloppy joe sauce, canned tomatoes, boxed meals, rice, macaroni & cheese, taco meals, chili mixes & beans. Other items that are always in demand are breakfast cereal (excluding Chex) & tomato products. All your donations are greatly appreciated by the Seminary & are a great benefit to the students and their families. Items can be placed in the gray and white bag at Church. **Thank you for all your donations.**

A "BIG THANK YOU" to ALL who have helped with the funeral meals we've served, especially in the past several months. We couldn't have done it without all of your help, whether you donated food, gave money, helped with prepping and serving, setting up and taking down. We greatly appreciate your giving. If you made food and haven't picked up your bowl/pan, it is either on the table in the back of Church or on the counter in the kitchen. Kris and Karen

Do you have an announcement that you would like to be included in the Sunday bulletin? If yes, all you need to do is let Amber Shaffer know by 7:00pm on Thursdays. I can be reached by either phone call or text message at 260-223-9897, or email splchurchsec@gmail.com. Thank you!

St. John Lutheran Church-Bingen: Annual Fish & Tenderloin Dinner is TODAY Sunday March 16th, serving 10:30am-1:00pm at Wyneken Memorial Lutheran School. Adults \$14.00, Children (6-12) \$10.00, Children 5 & under Free. All proceeds go to the Parking Lot Repaving Fund. Drive Thru and Carryout available. Questions, please call 260-639-6178. Thank you!

On Palm Sunday, March 28, 1920, an estimated F4 tornado traveled from Ossian, Indiana to Edgerton on the Indiana-Ohio state line, killing 13 and causing millions of dollars of damage to houses and farmsteads in its path. The village of Townley, north of Monroeville, was completely destroyed. Many of those affected by the tornado were German Lutherans. To mark its 105th anniversary, the Friends of Wyneken will retell the story of the twister and its aftermath with a presentation on Sunday, March 30 at 2 pm. The presentation will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 6514 E 750 N, Ossian, Indiana. All are welcome to attend.

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF March 16th, 2025

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Holy Communion
WEDNESDAY	10:00 am	Bible Study
	5:30 pm	Soup Supper
	7:00 pm	Lenten Midweek Service
THURSDAY	9:00 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
SUNDAY	9:00 am	Divine Service

Please Join Us for these Upcoming Worship Services

Wednesday March 19th, 2025

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm
Midweek Lenten Service at 7:00pm

Wednesday March 26th, 2025

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm
Midweek Lenten Service at 7:00pm

Wednesday April 2nd, 2025

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm
Midweek Lenten Service at 7:00pm

Wednesday April 9th, 2025

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm
Midweek Lenten Service at 7:00pm

Sunday April 13th, 2025

Palm Sunday Divine Service with Holy Communion at 9:00am

Thursday April 17th, 2025

Soup Supper begins at 5:30pm
Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion at 7:00pm

Friday April 18th, 2025

Good Friday Service with Holy Communion at 12:00pm
Good Friday Tenebrae Vespers Service at 7:00pm

Sunday April 20th, 2025 Easter Sunday

Sunrise Matins Service at 7:00am
Festival Divine Service of Holy Communion at 9:00am