

January 19, 2020
Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Welcome, Announcements and Parish Notes Pastor John
(Please sign the attendance slip and place in the offering plate.)

Prelude Jen Moser, Organist

***Call to Worship (Psalm 34:1-3)** Kim Domer

One: I will extol the Lord at all times;
All: His praise will always be on my lips.
One: I will glory in the Lord;
All: Let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
One: Glorify the Lord with me;
All: Let us exalt his name together.

***Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance (Psalm 34:8-14)**

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. Fear the Lord, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing. Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days, keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies. Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

*Hymn “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” No. 66

***Unison Prayer (Psalm 34:15-20)**

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry; but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil, to blot out their name from the earth. The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. The righteous person may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all; he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken.

*Call to Confession

***Prayer of Confession**

Heavenly Father, help us to make today a new beginning as we bid farewell to our old self, influenced by the ways of the world, and welcome a new self, influenced solely by you and your teachings. Forgive us our sins as we forgive others, and cleanse us so that we might be holy and pleasing in your sight. Amen!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 34:4-7 pg. 586
New Testament Lesson Colossians 3:12-17 pg. 1235

Response One: Let us Rejoice in God’s Holy Word!
All: For His Word brings us Light, Hope, and Joy.

*Gloria Patri No. 70

*Hymn “Where Charity and Love Prevail” No. 549

Anthem “Oh, How Abundant”

Sermon “Special Delivery” Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer

As we gather today as a fellowship of believers, let us lift up our prayers and petitions at this time.

Pastoral Prayer
Lord’s Prayer No. 895

Presentation to God of Our Gifts

Offertory
**Doxology* No. 95
**Prayer of Dedication*

*Hymn “Precious Name” No. 536

*Benediction and Postlude

**= please stand in body or spirit*

Blood Drive

St. Peter Lutheran Church in New Pittsburg will hold a blood drive January 28 from 2:30-7:00 pm.

From the Pastor

Committee Assignments are complete, and there are copies in the Narthex. If you see your name in a place you were not expecting, let Pastor John know, and we can make a change. Likewise, if you do not see your name, we can certainly add you to a committee.

We are preparing a non-pictorial directory with an eye toward a pictorial directory later in the year. If you would prefer not to be listed, or if you would like to leave certain aspects of your contact information unlisted, just let us know. The directory will not be distributed to anyone outside of the church.

And finally, a word about next week. We’re calling it “Come to Jesus Sunday” and basically we are coming to Him for peace, comfort, healing, and assurance about our faith, that he might relieve us from all that ails us - physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually. I hope you’ll join us and perhaps invite someone seeking to engage with the Lord in a way like never before.

Chrismon Tree

The Chrismon Tree is adorned by ancient symbols for Christ or some part of his ministry. There are nearly 50 Chrismons on this tree, all of which were made by members of this congregation. The Chrismons are made with a combination of white and gold to symbolize the purity and majesty of the Son of God and the Son of Man. The bottom line is this, we celebrate Christ’s birth as a symbol of purity, majesty, and renewal, not just at Christmas, but year round. Today, we take note of the Descending Dove, which is the symbol for the Holy Spirit, God’s gift to us.



Our Prayer List

Our neighbors and our community
Those serving in the armed forces
Our country, its leaders

Our church family

Esther Franks	Elsie Mykrantz
Jennifer Adair	Betty Princehorn
Elaine Sprinkle	Wayne Kahrig
Betsy Bower	Dick O'Hearn

Our Friends, Family and Neighbors

Laurie Parrish-Storm (Pam Domer's friend)
Justin Warnes (Beth Gaubatz's friend)
Bill (Sandy Hower's friend)
Sue and family (Cindy Mykrantz's friend)

Today's Concerns

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless otherwise requested.



Opportunities for Ministry This Week

Sunday 1/19	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Fellowship Luncheon	11:30 am
Monday 1/20	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Trustees	6:30 pm
Tuesday 1/21	Girl Scouts	6:30 pm
Wednesday 1/22	Choir	7:00 pm
Thursday 1/23	Bookworms	7:00 pm
Saturday 1/25	Weight Loss Support	9:15 am
	GS First Aid	11:00 am

Looking Ahead

Sunday 1/26	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 1/27	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Prayer Shawl	6:00 pm
Tuesday 1/28	Days for Girls	1:00 pm
	Girl Scouts	6:30 pm
	UMW Executive	7:00 pm
Wednesday 1/29	Choir	7:00 pm
Saturday 2/1	Chili Cook-off	5:30 pm



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