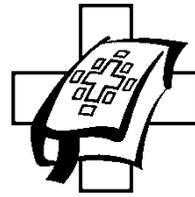


FIFTH SUNDAY
IN LENT
MARCH 22, 2026



DEAR FRIENDS, Christ Jesus is Lord. May He rule your hearts with joy and peace as He fulfills the promise of eternal redemption. We welcome you in the name of our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of our lives, dwell in us and bear constant witness to us of our relationship with the Father that we avoid what is displeasing to Him who gave us His Son to death that we might have eternal life; through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

WE PRAISE GOD and thank Him for daily blessings. We ask for protection for our service men and women who are serving in the Middle East. We also ask that He comfort the family of Danny Miller who was called from this earthly life last week. We offer petitions on behalf of those with special needs, including, Judy Peddicord, Mitch Mayer, Phillip Theel, William Fritts, Evelyn Schmidt, Ruth Tracy, Rev. Chris Kellogg, Rev. David Grouner, Calvin Lynch, Jim Channel, Arlys Hartmann, Joyce Mathies, Laurie Burbank, Joyce White and our shut-ins.

WORSHIP SERVANTS: Sunday School Teachers: Pastor Grimm, Phillip Theel, Traci Dickens, Lisa Thompson, Cheryl Buttenhoff; Altar Guild: Elaine Becker, Gayler Grimm; Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Justin Miller, Tim McNamara & Karen Herren; Acolytes: Brynn Anderson, Baylee Howard; Ushers: Tim Songs, Charley Gann, Mike Savage, Don Snodgrass, Byron Wenderott; Choir Director: Cheryl Buttenhoff; Technicians: Bruce Schultz, Whitney Howard; Children's Message: Pastor Grimm.

OUR ACTIVITIES FOR CHRIST THIS WEEK

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| TODAY | 8:30am | Sunday School / Bible Class |
| | 9:30am | Worship Service (FM 88.3; FB Live) |
| MONDAY | 12:00pm | Pray for Missions Around the World |
| | 7:00pm | Choir |
| TUESDAY | 6:15am | Bible Breakfast @ Frank's |
| WEDNESDAY | 8:15am | <i>Chapel</i> |
| | 5:30pm | Lenten Meal (4 th & 5 th Grades) |
| | 6:00pm | Confirmation |
| | 6:00pm | JuBellation |
| | 7:00pm | Lenten Service |
| THURSDAY | 9:30am | Bible Class |
| | 7:00pm | Book Study @ Becker's |
| FRIDAY | 9:00am | Harvesters |
| | | <i>No After-School Bus Service</i> |

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| | 5:00-7:30pm | Funeral Visitation |
| SATURDAY | 11:00am | Danny Miller Funeral |
| SUNDAY | 8:30am | Sunday School / Bible Class |
| | 9:30am | Communion Service (FM 88.3; FB Live) |
| | | Confirmation |
| | 11:00am | Reception for Confirmands (cookies/punch) |

| OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST | | MARCH 10 & 15, 2026 | |
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| Attendance: | | | |
| Wednesday | 90 | Livestream: 12 | Views: 360 |
| Saturday | 26 | | |
| Sunday | 86 | Livestream: 33 | Views: 484 |
| Sunday School | 37 | | |
| Total receipts | \$41,182.94 | <i>Weekly Budget Needs:</i> | <i>\$11,457.00</i> |

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Bob and Judy Sommer for 70 years of God's blessings during their married life.

EASTER BASKETS: The Sunday School and youth group are looking for used, small Easter baskets to purchase or to be given as a donation. They will be assembling Easter baskets today to be delivered to The Heritage Home residents and our shut-ins. Contact Kim Diehl 785-302-1492.

LENTEN MEALS: Lenten meals before church are being planned. The 4th and 5th grades are serving a meal on March 25th.

DEVOTED TO THE CROSS: Midweek services will focus upon Christ and His cross. Join us each Wednesday through Lent as we seek to be devoted in our thoughts, words, and deeds. This week, we learn to become Devoted to Persevere.

NOISY SUNDAY: Save and share your coins and currency for Noisy Sunday, March 29th. The mites will be put towards the LWML Mission Grants.

HARVESTERS: St. John Lutheran Church is responsible for distributing the food items on March 27th. Plan to arrive at 9:00 a.m. to help.

KALVIN'S KREW: A meal of pulled pork sandwiches, classic sides, and desserts is planned to benefit Calvin Lynch on March 28th from 4:30-7:00 p.m. All proceeds will go directly toward Calvin's medical expenses. A silent auction has been organized. All this is prior to the WHS spring production: "Too Many Ghosts."

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: St. John Lutheran Church has received a deposit of \$338 thanks to Larry B. Frederick, Alan & Charla Hess, Gerald McPherson, Judy Sommer, and David Zeckser.

LUTHER COLLEGE JAZZ ORCHESTRA: The Lutheran Fine Arts Council of Topeka (LFACT) is hosting a concert by the Luther College Jazz Orchestra from Decorah, IA. It will be held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church on Saturday, March 28th at 7:30 p.m. The church is located at 2021 SW 29th Street in Topeka. A freewill offering will be taken.

“FINALLY FREE: Three Lessons in the Parable of the Prodigal Son” can be ordered now. Concordia Publishing House has a special offer: \$5 per copy when 10 or more are purchased. You may add your name to the sign-up sheet by the secretary’s office. We will place our order March 30.

CALL FOR RELIGIOUS ARTWORK: The Good Shepherd institute invites artists to submit new artwork for use in service bulletins to be used in open spaces in bulletins, calling attention to the service and the Word of God. There is no limit to the number of works an artist may submit. There is no submission deadline. For more information, visit ctsfw.edu/bulletin-art.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



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| March 22 | Brooke Stuewe |
| March 23 | Elaine Becker Addilynn Mumaw <i>Jim & Tammy Heine</i> |
| March 24 | Cameron Schurle |
| March 25 | <i>Larry & Kathy Hendricks</i> |
| March 26 | Jayde Berroth Dalton Debler Hattie Fritts |
| March 27 | <i>Bob & Judy Sommer</i> <i>Wayne & Nyla Leonard</i> |
| March 28 | Sarah Schurle Karen Herren <i>Ray & Whitney Howard</i> |