

THE SON OF MAN MUST SUFFER MANY THINGS

Mark 8:31



ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2018

Greeter This Week: John & Margie Swannack

Greeter Next Week: Cheryl Bramlette

Reader This Week: Kernell Moritz

Reader Next Week: Johnna Kethan

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

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Altar Guild This Month: Betty Diebel & Virginia Jank

Altar Guild Next Month: Carol Ann Sagebiel & Cathie Bettge

Communion Assistant This Month: Obert Sagebiel

Communion Assistant Next Month: Brian Wendel

Large Print Bulletins are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for a copy.

Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to enjoy.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude. Please show your respect with silent meditation at this time.

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Stand p. 77: BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

HYMN: LBW #104 *“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”*

page 78-79: KYRIE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray

All Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of your humble servants and stretch forth the right hand of your majesty to be our defense against all our enemies. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

¹When Abram was ninety-nine years old the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless, ²that I may make my covenant between me and you, and may multiply you greatly.” ³Then Abram fell on his face. And God said to him, ⁴“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make you into nations, and kings shall come from you. ⁷And I will

establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

¹⁵And God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover, I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall become nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

RESPONISVE READING

Psalm 22:23-30

²³For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them;
but when they cry to him he hears them.

²⁴**My praise is of him in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.**

²⁵The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:
“May your heart live forever!”

²⁶**All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.**

²⁷For kingship belongs to the Lord;
he rules over the nations.

²⁸**To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.**

²⁹My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the Lord’s forever.

³⁰**They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.**

¹Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person — though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die — ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Stand page 83: GOSPEL VERSE “Return to the Lord”

GOSPEL READING

Mark 8:27-38

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 8th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*sung*)

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?”

²⁸And they told him, “John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets.” ²⁹And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.” ³⁰And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him. ³¹And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again.

³²And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.” ³⁴And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ³⁵For whoever would

save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. ³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? ³⁷For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*sung*)

Sit MESSAGE "Cry of Compassion"

HYMN: LBW #385 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

Stand page 85: APOSTLES' CREED

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Sit OFFERING

Stand Page 96: OFFERTORY "Create in Me"

page 97: PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

page 97: THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN: LBW #518 "Beautiful Savior"

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn #565)

POSTLUDE

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 2/25 Second Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
10:15 a.m. Worship

Mon 2/26 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours

Tues 2/27 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

Wed 2/28 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours
1:30 p.m. Quilters
7:00 p.m. Lenten Service

Thurs 3/1 ****Office Closed**

Fri 3/2 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Office Hours

Next Sun Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study
10:15 a.m. Worship

Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors. If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St. John's.



Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

General \$476.00, MOM \$10.00, Church Reno. \$115.00 **Total: \$601.00**

Sunday, February 18, 2018

General \$1,059.00, MOM \$670.00, Sunday School \$74.00, NALC \$25.00, Church Reno. \$280.00 **Total : \$2,108.00**

Attendance: Worship - 105 Sunday School - 15 Children, 14 Adults

Attendance, Wednesday, February 21, 2018: Worship- 22

Mission of the Month of February



Campus Crusade for Christ

Mission Statement

Missionaries: Andy and Natalie Swanson



Andy and Natalie Swanson and their three children have been serving in East Asia for the last 13 years. They currently work with Campus Crusade leading campus staff and students to reach a scope of 25 million students and help mobilize and send them to the world. They train students and churches in evangelism, discipleship, leadership training, and cross-cultural and international missions sending

with a focus on college students in the 10/40 Window. Their mission is to start ministries on half the campuses in this country by the year 2020.



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in
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LENTEN



Lenten Schedule

St. John Mid-Week Lenten Services will be
Wednesdays, February 21 & 28 and
March 7, 14 & 21 at 7:00 pm.

Flag Sales

Youth Group is still selling Warrior's Weekend Field of Honor Flags. Sales end March 11th. Please contact Diane Chavez if you would like to purchase a flag @ (361)212-4438. Thank you for supporting our Veterans & Youth Group!



Youth Group

Youth group will meet Sunday, March 25th right after church for their monthly meeting. Lunch will be served & we will have Easter Sunrise practice. On Saturday, March 31st at 10:00 am we will have our last practice & decorate the cross with flowers.



“Be Still” Ladies Retreat

If anyone is interested in attending the “Be Still” Ladies Retreat, please see the flyers & registration forms in the Narthex for more info. It will take place April 27-28 at The El Shaddai Ranch in Yorktown.



Church Renovation Fund

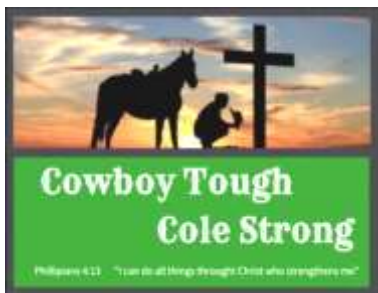
On August 28, 2016, our congregation voted to establish a fund for installation of the elevator and other church renovations. Anyone wishing to give to the renovation project may do so by designating “Church Renovation” or “Elevator Fund” on their check or on the pew giving envelope.



Attention Acolytes

Please see the acolyte sign-up sheet for 2018 in the Narthex. Volunteers are needed for the New Year.





Pray for Cole Ohrt

Cowboy Tough Cole Strong

UPDATE: Cole has been moved to Houston to start his rehabilitation process. Praise God & everyone praying for him! As most of you know, Cole was in an ATV accident and has suffered many injuries. Cole is an 8th grader

at Meyersville School. He needs a lot of prayers, love and support. Cole is the Son of Garrett & Julie Ohrt, Grandson of Kenneth & Betty Diebel and Janice Ohrt & the Nephew of Brian & Feather Diebel. Many prayers are being said from all over and being answered by the Good Lord! This cowboy has a long journey ahead and he is Cole Strong! There are other ways we can help this sweet young man & his family out by donating to the many benefits/fundraisers for Cole. Below is a list of ways to help. Please join the **“Cowboy Tough Cole Strong”** Facebook page to see photos of the items mentioned below, see new fundraisers as they come up and keep up with Cole’s progress. If you have questions on ways to help, you can call our church office during business hours. Thank you and God Bless. + + +

- **"Cowboy Tough-Cole Strong" t-shirts, caps, koozies - will be available January 3. Please contact Sarah Odem Rowlands or Donna M. Odem Nichols for more details.**
- **"Cowboy Tough-Cole Strong" bracelets - photo in comments - contact Jamey Carroll Muegge for more details.**
- **Cole's Benefit Account - New First National Bank - make checks payable to Garrett or Julie Ohrt. Can make deposits at the branch or pm me for an address to mail a check to and we will take care of depositing for you.**
- **PayPal account - coleohrtfund@gmail.com - Please send funds as friend or family and put a note on what money is for - donation, payment for raffle, football pots, or shirts (please do not send funds for shirts without ordering from Sarah Rowlands first).**
- **Gun/Louis Vuitton Raffle - photo in comments - contact Leslie Crews for more details. (Drawing will be held March 11th.)**
- **Benefit with live auction, entertainment, meal - more details to come - May 5th - contact Leslie Hoff Crews for more details.**

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, contact Evelyn Diebel. And please update your request at least once a month so the list can be kept current and up to date. If you wish to receive the Prayer Chain requests, please contact Evelyn Diebel (361-275-5979)

Our Military and their families:

Nicholas Jacobs - U.S. Air Force,
Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada
Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves
John Otto - USMC, North Carolina
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy
Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy
Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force
Lee Magrauder - U.S. Army, Afghanistan
Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force



Please Pray for: Adam Womble
Nate Boehl
Hunter Jacob
Glynn Yurick
Kenny Jacob
Sandy Gohmert
Jimmy Caskey
Cole Ohrt
Carlton Migura

Nursing Home: Marjorie Ideus, Yorktown Nursing & Rehabilitation

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun



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St. John Meyersville

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Or visit our website at: stjohnmeyersville.org

Lent 2

February 25, 2018

Second Sunday in Lent (Year B)

Jesus instructed his disciples and the crowd that gathered around him that to live as the Son of Man lives, they must be willing to suffer. If anyone thought they wanted to follow after him, they must be ready to deny themselves and take up the cross. The paradox of following Christ is that life is found in giving it up rather than holding onto it with a white-knuckled grip. This is the truth for all generations!



“The Cross is the shame and the great indignity which Christ innocently suffered The shame and persecution endured for righteousness’ sake is the cross of Christ. This is why true Christians must be dubbed heretics and evildoers. They must be so condemned, despised, and judged by all that everybody wipes his feet on them.”

-Martin Luther, Sermon, October 22, 1522

Worship Notes:

With the beginning of Lent we change to the second setting for our worship service. So this morning’s service will begin on page 77 in the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW). Another change in our worship service during Lent is the tradition of “burying the Alleluia”. In keeping with the more somber, reflective tone of the Lenten season we omit the Hymn of Praise. So immediately after the Kyrie where Pastor John speaks a line and we respond with “Lord have mercy,” we skip the Hymn of Praise and go directly to page 82 in the LBW and the “Prayer of the Day”. The final change for Lent is the Gospel acclamation changes to " Return to the Lord for he is"