



Psalm
118:19

*Open to me the gates
of righteousness, that I may
enter through them and give
thanks to the Lord.*

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Palm Sunday
April 10, 2022

Greeter This Week: Marvin & Norrean Sager

Greeter Next Week: Glenn & Linda Ruschhaupt

Reader This Week: Trish Hood

Reader Next Week: Dwight Jander

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

Acolytes Next Week: Volunteer Needed

Altar Guild This Month: Carol Ann Sagebiel & LeAnn Jander

Altar Guild Next Month: Betty Diebel & Virginia Jank

Communion Assistant This Month: Brian Wendel

Communion Assistant Next Month: Dickie Bettge

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.

Palm Sunday

The Gospel for today starts off with the evil plot to kill Jesus which was conceived by the religious leaders and Satan working through Jesus' disciple, Judas. Before that will come to pass, Jesus spends precious time with his followers giving them instructions for the days to come, as well as preparing them for the future of the movement. This will be the last time Jesus will eat of this meal until all is fulfilled

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

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for Reflection and Meditation

L Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

L Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

OPENING HYMN:

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

LBW #108

Refrain:

**All glory, laud, and honor To you, redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.**

**You are the King of Israel And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming, Our King and Blessed One.**

Refrain:

**The company of angels Are praising you on high;
Creation and all mortals In chorus make reply.**

Refrain:

**The multitude of pilgrims With palms before you went.
Our praise and prayer and anthems Before you we present.**

Refrain:

**To you, before your passion, They sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted, Our melody we raise.**

Refrain:

**Their praises you accepted; Accept the prayers we bring,
Great author of all goodness, O good and gracious King.**

Refrain:

GREETING

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy

L For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray;

Almighty and everlasting God, you have sent your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross, that all of humanity should follow the example of his great humility. Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading: Zechariah 12:10-13:1

¹⁰ "I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplication, so that they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a firstborn. ¹¹ In that day there will be great mourning in Jerusalem, like the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the plain of Megiddo. ¹² The land will mourn, every family by itself; the family of the house of David by itself and their wives by themselves; the family of the house of Nathan by itself and their wives by themselves; ¹³ the family of the house of Levi by itself and their wives by themselves; the family of the Shimeites by itself and their wives by themselves; ¹⁴ all the families that remain, every family by itself and their wives by themselves.

¹³ "In that day a fountain will be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for impurity.

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 69:16-21

¹⁶ Answer me, O Lord, for Your lovingkindness is good;
According to the greatness of Your compassion, turn to me,

¹⁷ **And do not hide Your face from Your servant,
For I am in distress; answer me quickly.**

¹⁸ Oh draw near to my soul *and* redeem it;
Ransom me because of my enemies!

**¹⁹ You know my reproach and my shame and my dishonor;
All my adversaries are before You.**

²⁰ Reproach has broken my heart and I am so sick.
And I looked for sympathy, but there was none,
And for comforters, but I found none.

**²¹ They also gave me gall for my food
And for my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-14

¹² For even as the body is one and *yet* has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ. ¹³ For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴ For the body is not one member, but many.

GOSPEL VERSE

**C Return to the Lord, your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love.**

GOSPEL READING: John 19:28-37

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 19th chapter.

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

²⁸ After this, Jesus, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, to fulfill the Scripture, said, "I am thirsty." ²⁹ A jar full of sour wine was standing there; so they put a sponge full of the sour wine upon *a branch of hyssop* and brought it up to His mouth. ³⁰ Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit. ³¹ Then the Jews, because it was the day of preparation, so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away. ³² So the soldiers came, and broke the legs of the first man and of the other who was crucified with Him; ³³ but coming to Jesus, when they saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. ³⁴ But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. ³⁵ And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you also may believe. ³⁶ For these things came to pass to fulfill the Scripture, "Not a bone of Him shall be broken." ³⁷ And again another Scripture says, "They shall look on Him whom they pierced."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

MESSAGE

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road,
With palms and scattered garments strowed.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!
The winged squadrons of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh:
The Father on his sapphire throne
Expects his own anointed Son.**

**Ride on, ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
Bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, thy power and reign.**

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting.**

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always,
And also with you

Offering

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a
Right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your
Presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from' me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
And uphold me with your free Spirit.**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!**

(after each petition "Lord in your mercy," RESPONSE "HEAR OUR PRAYER")

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through
Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

Father remember us always and teach us to pray;

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

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:

"My Song Is Love Unknown"

LBW #94

**My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I, that for my sake
My Lord should take frail flesh and die?
My Lord should take frail flesh and die?**

**He came from his blest throne, Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none The longed for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend, my friend indeed,
Who at my need his life did spend;
Who at my need his life did spend!**

**Sometimes they strew his way And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" is all their breath,
And for his death they thirst and cry.
And for his death they thirst and cry.**

**Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these
Themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise;
Themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.**

**They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save, The prince of life they slay.
Yet cheerful he to suff'ring goes,
That he his foes from thence might free.**

**In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might have;
In death, no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave.
What my I say? Heav'n was his home;
But mine the tomb wherein he lay.**

**Here might I stay and sing - No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like thine.
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend!**

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY: LBW #565

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 4/10	Palm Sunday 8:00 a.m. Property Team Meeting 9:00 a.m. Confirmation Class 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Adult Study 10:15 a.m. Worship <i>*Spaghetti Plate Lunch to go after church</i>
Mon 4/11	Office Closed
Tues 4/12	9:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m. Pastor's Office Hours 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours
Wed 4/13	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 10:00 a.m. Comm. Service Yorktown Nursing & Rehab. 1:30 p.m. Quilters 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
Thurs 4/14	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Pastor's Office Hours 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service
Fri 4/15	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service
Next Sun	Easter Sunday 7:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service in the Sanctuary Pancake breakfast to follow Youth Country Store 9:00 a.m. Sunday School ~ Resurrection Egg Hunt 10:15 a.m. Easter 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.

Sunday, April 3, 2022

General \$2,620.00, MOM-Samaritan's Purse-Ukraine \$1,190.00, Samaritan's Purse \$100.00, Organ \$300.00, CAMAL House \$50.00, Cemetery \$50.00, Building \$40.00, OSC \$100.00, Youth \$155.00, Sunday School \$17.00 **Total: \$4,622.00**

Attendance: Worship - 77 Sunday School - 11 - Children, 16 - Adults Confirmation - 7

Wednesday Lenten Service, April 6, 2022 General \$170.00, MOM-Samaritan's Purse-Ukraine \$100.00, NALC \$20.00, Youth \$300.00 **Total: \$590.00**

Attendance: 29

New Member Classes

If you are interested in becoming a member of St. John please contact Pastor John.



Grave Decoration/Church Under the Trees & Pot Luck Luncheon

The Grave Decoration Service Under the Trees will be on Sunday, May 1, 2022. A Pot Luck Luncheon will be held in the parish hall following the service. Please bring a meat, side dish or dessert. Hope to see you there!



Mission of the Month of April



Samaritan's Purse Ukraine Emergency Alert Mission Statement

This organization has provided teams on the ground in Poland, Moldova, and Romania to care for and help the refugees. They have also been asked to set up a hospital inside the Ukraine border to care for those who have been unable to leave. SP operates a 24 hr Medical Clinic in LVIV and an Emergency Outpatient Clinic in southern Ukraine. They are providing hygiene kits, blankets, and delivering food to local churches to distribute to those in need. Prayer is the most important thing we can do for these people. The prayer request: call on the Prince of Peace to resolve the conflict in Ukraine and protect innocent lives. Lift up the churches of Ukraine and Eastern Europe as they confront this crisis in the Name of Jesus. Our gift will enable Samaritan's Purse to offer life-saving medical care and other emergency assistance to those who fled the fighting in Ukraine.

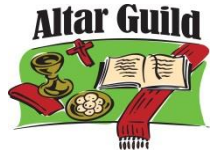


NALC Warehouse

We will be collecting for the warehouse all year. Each month we will feature items to be donated. We will be collecting toothbrushes & combs for the month of April. Thank you.

Altar Guild Members

On Maundy Thursday evening, please come at 6:15 pm for a "walk-through" of stripping the altar. Thank you, Carol Ann



Easter Schedule

Thursday, April 14th:

7:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 15th:

7:00 pm - Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 17th:

7:30 am - Sunrise Service in the Sanctuary, pancake breakfast & egg hunt to follow

~ The youth will have a country store where you can buy baked goods & homemade items ~

10:15 am - Easter Worship ~ HE is RISEN!

WNALC Gathering

~ In the Potter's Hands ~

*Featuring a demonstration and Testimony of Faith
by Rachel Norris with Joy Pottery*

Saturday, April 23, 2022

Peace Lutheran Church, 1026 Radio Lane, Rosenberg, TX

Registration will begin at 8:30 am

Program will be from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm

Includes breakfast & lunch

The deadline to register is April 16th by mail \$20.00

After April 16th it will be \$25.00

Please call Cathie Bettge for more details at (361)275-8035





Church Camp

Church Camp

Our Youth Group & Sunday School kids (16 total) will be going to church camp this year at Camp Lone Star in La Grange, June 5-10. Any donations toward this fund are greatly appreciated. Please see below for upcoming fundraisers the youth will be hosting to help raise camp funds. We are so excited our youth is going to church camp again! Thank you very much for your support!

Update on Fundraisers:

Sunday, April 10th, Spaghetti Lunch after church. Will include, salad, bread & a dessert. Plates will be \$10.00 & to go only at the parish hall. Please see any youth parent after church or contact the church office to purchase tickets. (361)277-8653. Deadline to purchase tickets is Wednesday, April 6th.

April 17th, Easter Sunday the youth will have a Country Store set up during breakfast for you to purchase items such as baked goods, pickles, apple butter, eggs, etc. We hope to have a variety of things!

All fundraiser money will go toward camp expenses. Thank you & God bless!



St. John's Youth Invites You To Our Sunrise Service

What The Cross Means To Me

When: Sunday, April 17th at 7:30 AM

Where: St. John Lutheran Church

Come join us as our Youth share what the cross means to them and sing contemporary songs celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ! Breakfast to follow!

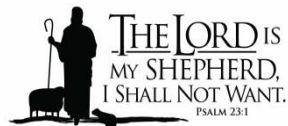
Come Join St. John's Sunday School

Easter Morning

Following Sunrise Service and Breakfast

When: April 17th at 9:00 am

We will have crafts, an Easter egg hunt, a photo booth, and a joyful message celebrating Jesus Christ! We look forward to seeing you that morning!

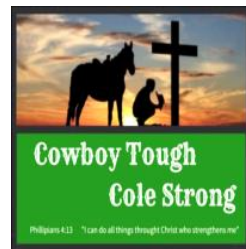


Shepherd Group

If you are interested in chairing a Shepherd Group, contact Pastor or Laurie at (361)275-4232.

+ UPDATE + Special Prayers for Cole

Cole is at home doing well surrounded by the love and support of all his family and friends. He continues to have therapy on a daily basis at his home and is now receiving therapy in Victoria on his new fabulous walking machine, the Lokomat Pro. This machine is a robotic training system that allows Cole's legs to be attached to robotic legs that assist with basic walking functions. It's an awesome machine and God has truly blessed Cole once again. Cole and his family want others, in need



of this type of therapy, to share in this wonderful blessing and be able to also use this machine. God is truly at work thru Cole. God continues to be with Cole each and every day strengthening his faith, patience, and courage as he travels down this long and difficult journey. We thank each and every one again for all your prayers, concerns, and support for Cole and his family. We ask for you to continue praying for Cole's healing and for strength and patience for him and his family. Thank you and God Bless.

+Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole+

At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list:

Healing- physical, emotional & spiritual

To help family stay strong

Patience

Stay positive

The drive to keep trying (perseverance)



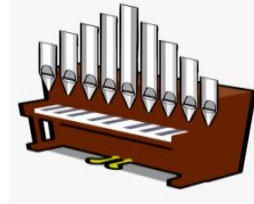


Thank You

Thank you to everyone for all the prayers, cards, phone calls and texts, and for all the get well and feel better wishes. I'm truly blessed to have such love and support through my surgery and getting better phase. Thank you everyone so very much. - Billy J Guenther

Organ Fund

The congregation voted on October 17, 2021 to upgrade our organ which is in need of a major overhaul. The cost of the upgrade is \$69,117.00 and we have received \$71,360.35 in designated giving to the fund to date. Any contributions should be marked as Organ Fund. Thank you from the Organ Committee and Church Council.



NEW UPDATE: Worship Team Notes

Worship services will be in the church sanctuary at 10:15 a.m. Communion will go back to the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month by stations. The service will still be broadcasted on the radio station FM 101.5 for those who wish to stay in their vehicles. We will continue to commune those worshipping remotely "in the parking lot" in their vehicles. Please note state and local guidelines are subject to change and we will continue to attempt to follow those for the health and safety of all. Guidelines and changes in those will be posted in the bulletin, on our website & FaceBook page. Please check these for changes and updates. Please Note: The service will NO longer be videoed & posted to the church website.



Fill the Warehouse!

(The cheapest place to shop for supplies!)

NALC Disaster Response

What's in a Flood Bucket?

1 bucket (5 gallon) with a lid – Firehouse Subs \$3.00 ea.

(Check other restaurants, donut shops, school kitchens, etc.!)

1 roll paper towels – Walmart 44 cents a roll

1 powder cleanser – Walmart 88 cents ea.

1 floor cleaner – small! (like Pine Sol, Fabuloso) – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 bottle bleach – small! – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 pair rubber gloves – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 scrub brush – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 pair leather gloves – Home Depot 3 pk under \$6.00

1 pair cotton gloves – Walmart 6 pk under \$5.00/Home Depot or Lowe's \$1.00 ea.

2 contractor trash bags (3 mil) – shop around.....

2 rags – Don't buy! Cut up old bath & beach towels, dish towels, wash cloths.....

What's in a Health Kit?

Soap: 1 regular size bar or 2-3 travel size*

Shampoo: 2 or 3 travel size* (or 1 small size)

Lotion: 1 or 2 travel size*

***Ask for donations from people you know that stay in hotels!**

1 deoderant – Walmart 88 cents ea.

1 toothbrush – Dollar Tree 4 for \$1.25

1 toothpaste (travel size) – Walmart (or for a bigger tube) 77-90 cents ea.

1 comb – Dollar Tree 12 pk for \$1.25

1 bath towel – Walmart \$1.97 ea.

1 drawstring bag – available to be filled in narthex or you may sew your own from an old pillow case

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a prayer request or wish to be on the prayer chain please contact Mary Wagner (361)275-9500 or Pastor John (361)243-0373. We ask that you would update the prayer request regularly. If we do not have an update, in an effort to keep our list current and up to date, we will presume the situation has improved and remove the request after 30 days. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Our Military and their families:

Jeff Zengerle - U.S. Army, Louisiana
Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy, Hawaii
Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy, Virginia
Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, 2-4 CaB, Charlie Company, Black Hawk
Medevac Pilot, Fort Carson, Colorado
Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force
Michael Petrash II - 1st LT, United States Army
Andrew Washington, L CPL - USMC, Pensacola, FL
Jacob Redmond - USMC, San Diego, CA
Koltyn Mayhall - USMC, North Carolina
Zach McBrayer - U.S. Air Force, San Antonio



Please Pray for: Adam Womble
Hunter Jacob
Kenny Jacob
Cole Ohrt
Joy Hoy
Marie Liner
Bill Roeske
Britany Jank Tomas
Bea Fagg
Clint Coles
Mrs. Stiles
Ryon Preslar
B. Bagwell (*Brenda Boor's Mom*)
Lisa Phillips
Joy Meadows

Nursing Home:

Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Marjorie Ideus, Helen Sievers



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SOME WORDS FROM LUTHER

God is not praised if He is not loved; He is not loved if He does not do good; He does not do good if He is not gracious; He neither is nor can be gracious if He does not forgive sins; and He does not forgive sins except for Christ's sake. -Martin Luther In response to a question, "How, when, and why is God honored and praised?" (January 1, 1532)