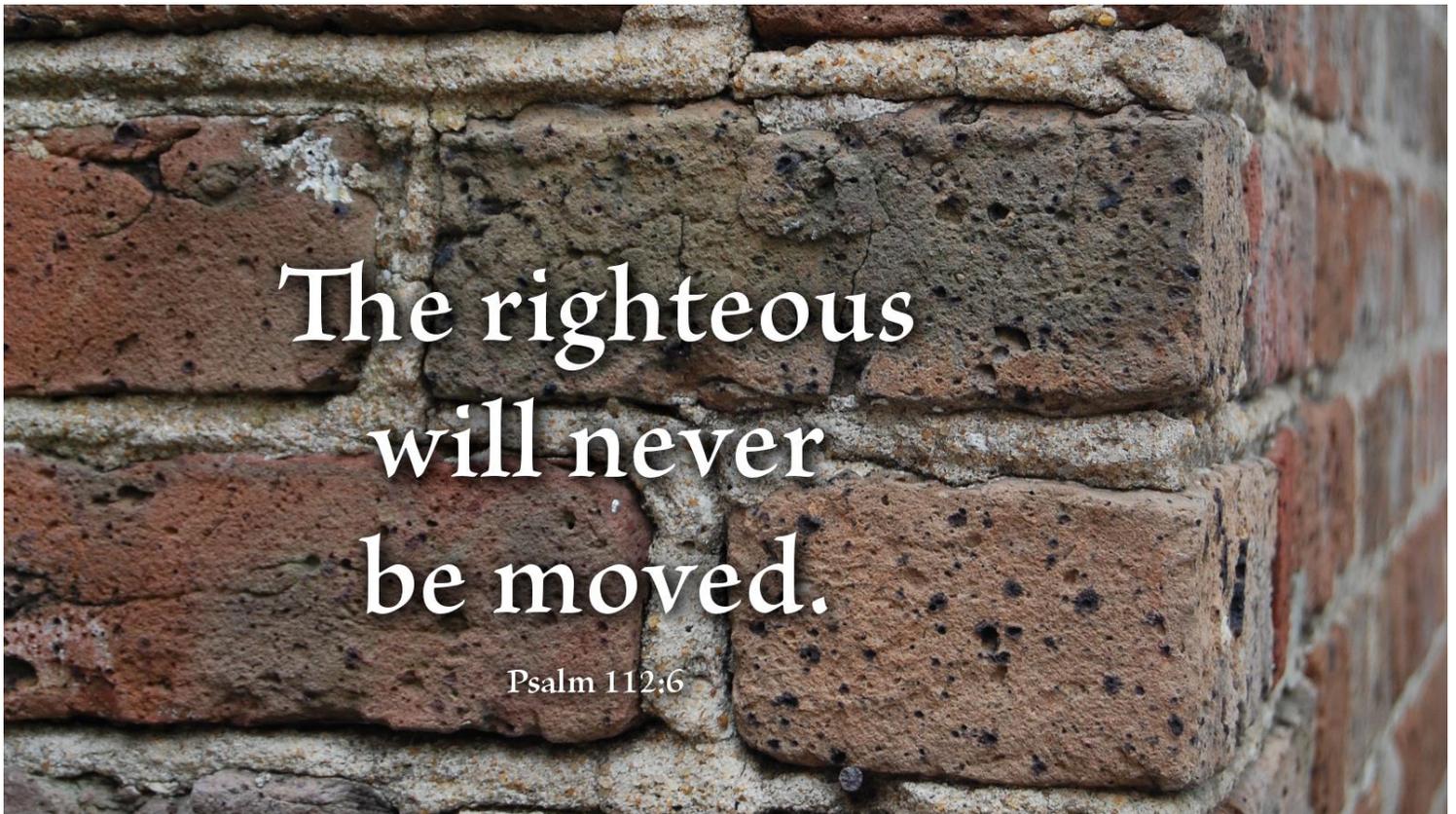


**St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Meyersville, Texas  
February 8, 2026**

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**



**Psalm 112:6**

## ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Sunday, February 8, 2026**

**Greeters This Week:** The Newman Family  
**Greeters Next Week:** Jo Wieland, LaRae & Jessie Kelley  
**Reader This Week:** Ayla Nessel  
**Reader Next Week:** LaRae Kelley  
**Acolyte This Week:** Kyler Leist  
**Acolyte Next Week:** Levi Moritz  
**Altar Guild This Month:** Cathie Bettge & Brenda Boor  
**Altar Guild Next Month:** M'Liss Moore & Virginia Abrameit  
**Communion Assistant This Month:** Johnny Jank  
**Communion Assistant Next Month:** Glenn Ruschhaupt



**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.

### **Worship Notes Regarding Today's Service:**

For those of you who would prefer to remain in your cars, we will continue to broadcast the service on FM 101.5. You can follow the service in the bulletin as the liturgy, the organ music, hymns with the lyrics by our song leaders, and Pastor John's message will be on the broadcast. Thank you!

*The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude.  
Please prepare for worship with silent meditation at this time.*

## AS WE GATHER

The themes of salt and light pervade this week's lessons. Even though God's wisdom is often hidden from the world, it is shown to those who believe Christ to be God. In the waters of Baptism, we are called to be light to the world as the light of Christ shines through us so the world can see. We are called to be salt, to infiltrate a hurting world with the good news of God's love and mercy.

**PRELUDE:**

*"Praeludium"*

**Abbé Georg Joseph Vogler**

**RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS PRAISES AND CONCERNS**

*Stand as you are able*

## 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,

**C 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 Things Bright and Beautiful"*

**WOV #767**

*Refrain:*

*All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.*

<sup>1</sup>Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
God made their glowing colors, God made their tiny wings. *[Refrain]*

<sup>2</sup>The purple-headed mountains, the river running by,  
the sunset, and the morning that brightens up the sky. *[Refrain]*

<sup>3</sup>The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,  
the ripe fruits in the garden, God made them ev'ry one. [*Refrain*]

<sup>4</sup>God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well. [*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.**

### **KYRIE**

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**

### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

L Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

**We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray,

**C Stand watch over your family, O Lord, that we who depend entirely on your heavenly grace  
may always be protected in the mighty fortress of your love; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our  
Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:3-9a

<sup>3</sup>“Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?’ Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the LORD? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? <sup>8</sup>Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’”

### Responsive Reading

#### Psalm 112:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in his commandments!

<sup>2</sup>**Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

<sup>4</sup>**Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

<sup>6</sup>**For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is right; they put their trust in the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**

<sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever;  
they will hold up their head with honor.

### SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]

<sup>1</sup>I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, <sup>4</sup>and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do

impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. <sup>7</sup>But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him” — <sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. [<sup>13</sup>And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. <sup>14</sup>The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. <sup>16</sup>“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.]

*Stand as you are able*

#### **GOSPEL VERSE**

**C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia. Alleluia.**

#### **GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:13-20**

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>13</sup>{Jesus said,} “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet. <sup>14</sup>You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup>Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. <sup>17</sup>Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup>For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

## MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN:

*“Take My Life, that I May Be”*

LBW #406

<sup>1</sup>Take my life, that I may be Consecrated, Lord, to thee:  
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

<sup>2</sup>Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of thy love;  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for thee.

<sup>3</sup>Take my voice and let me sing Always, only, for my King;  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from thee.

<sup>4</sup>Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect, and use Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

<sup>5</sup>Take my will and make it thine; It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own; It shall be thy royal throne.

<sup>6</sup>Take my love; my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

*Stand as you are able*

Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith.

### 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.**

### SHARING THE PEACE

L The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

L Let us share the peace.

*Please be seated*

**OFFERING:**

***“Light of the Living God”***

**David Paxton**

*(Please use the yellow envelopes for cash offerings & include your name.)*

*Stand as you are able*

**OFFERTORY**

**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.**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

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.**

**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:**

*“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”*

**LBW #559**

<sup>1</sup>Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer’s praise,  
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace!

<sup>2</sup>My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of our name.

<sup>3</sup>The name of Jesus charms our fears And bids our sorrows cease,  
Sings music in the sinner’s ears, Brings life and health and peace.

<sup>4</sup>He breaks the pow’r of canceled sin; he sets the pris’ner free.  
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.

<sup>5</sup>To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever giv’n  
By saints below and saints above, The Church in earth and heav’n.

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.

**POSTLUDE:**

*“Chorus of Praise”*

**Rob Roy Percy**



### 1 Peter 4:8

**“Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.”**

[This verse encourages us to prioritize deep love for one another, which can foster forgiveness and reconciliation. As you navigate relationships in February, remember that love can heal and mend wounds that may arise.]

[www.prayerlit.com/bible-verses-for-](http://www.prayerlit.com/bible-verses-for-)



Office hours will be posted in the weekly bulletins. If you would need immediate assistance outside of office hours, text or call Melissa at 361-649-0413.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

**Sun 2/8 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**  
 8:00 a.m. Property Team Meeting  
 9:00 a.m. Confirmation  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 9:00 a.m. Adult Study  
 10:15 a.m. Worship

**Mon 2/9 Office Closed**

**Tues 2/10** 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Pastor’s Office Hours  
 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Office Hours

**Wed 2/11** 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Office Hours  
 10:00 a.m. Comm. Service @ Yorktown Manor  
 12:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study  
 1:30 p.m. Quilters

**Thurs 2/12** 10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. Office Hours  
 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Pastor’s Office Hours

**Fri 2/13 Office Closed**

**Sat 2/14** 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service  
 w/Communion

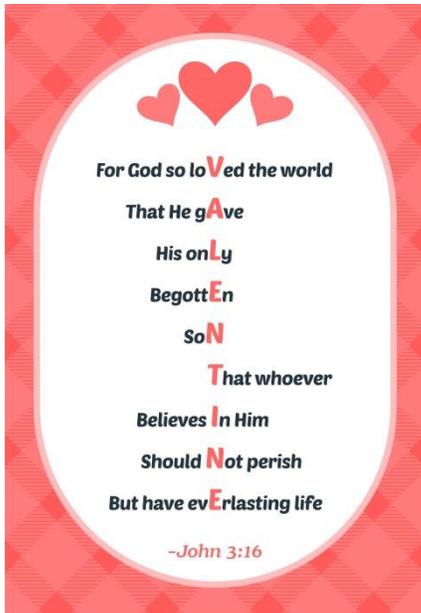
### Next Sun. Transfiguration of our Lord

9:00 a.m. Confirmation  
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 9:00 a.m. Adult Study  
 10:15 a.m. Worship w/Communion  
 12:30 p.m. Life-to-Life Discipleship Meeting

## Have a Blessed Week!

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.

## OFFERING & ATTENDANCE

**Saturday, January 31, 2026** General \$440.00, Building \$100.00, Youth \$100.00; **Total: \$640.00**

**Attendance:** Worship – 9

**Sunday, February 1, 2026** General \$3,216.00, MOM (January) Boys & Girls Club of Cuero \$100.00, MOM (February) Eight Days of Hope \$20.00, Old Stone Church \$20.00, SS Mission \$64.75, Building \$705.00, Youth \$100.00, Organ \$20.00, NALC Warehouse \$100.00; **Total: \$4,345.75**

**Attendance:** Worship –62, Sunday School – 2 Children, 3 Teachers, Adult Study – 9

## Correction to 2026 Church Directory

Melanie & Holden Light 4414 County Road 2289 Odem, TX 78370

## **NALC WAREHOUSE & NALC WAREHOUSE-ROSENBERG**

If you are giving a donation to one of these warehouses, please indicate which one. This designation must be made in order for the funds to be sent to your donation, national warehouse or Texas warehouse. *Rosenberg Warehouse checks need to be written out to Peace Lutheran Church with Rosenberg Warehouse on the memo line.*

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### **NALC Disaster Response**

#### **What's in a Flood Bucket?**

**1 five gallon bucket with lid** (*check at schools, restaurants, donut shops*)

**1 roll paper towels** (*Walmart \$0.68*)

**1 powder scouring cleanser(like comet)** (*Walmart \$0.88*)

**1 floor cleaner – small! (like Pine Sol, Fabuloso)**  
(*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)

**1 bottle bleach – small! (1/2 gal. or smaller)**  
(*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)

**1 scrub brush** (*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)

**1 pair rubber gloves (size L preferred, reusable)**  
(*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)

**1 pair leather gloves(size L preferred)**(*H Depot 3pk/\$6.00*)

**1 pair cotton gloves (size L preferred)**(*H Depot \$1 ea. or Walmart 6pk/\$5.00*)

**2 large contractor trash bags (3 mil)**

**2 rags** (*cut up old bath or beach towels, dish towels, wash cloths*)

#### **What's in a Heath Care Kit?**

**1 bath towel**

**1 wash cloth (optional)**

**1 shampoo (2 or 3 if travel size)**

**1 bar of soap (2or 3 if travel size)**

**1 toothbrush (individually sealed)** (*Dollar Tree 4pk/\$1.75*)

**1 pack of floss (optional)**

**1 toothpaste (2 if travel size)** (*Walmart \$0.77 to \$0.90*)

**1 comb** (*Dollar Tree 12 pk/\$1.75*)

**1 deodorant** (*Walmart \$1.18*)

**1 nail clippers (optional)**

**We will also be collecting new and gently used Bibles of any language as well as prayer books for Disaster Relief. If you have questions, please contact Cathie Bettge. Thank you!**

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**Additional Donations:** Used Portals of Prayers are also being collected and delivered to Victoria Christian Assistance Ministries in Victoria. If you have questions, please contact Margie Swannack. Thank you!

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### **Rosenberg Disaster Warehouse Collection**

During the month of February, our collection items will be **METAL OR LEAF RAKES** for the warehouse in Rosenberg.

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### **Mission of the Month for February**

#### **Eight Days of Hope**

[Eight Days of Hope](#) is a faith-based ministry that responds to natural disasters such as tornadoes, floods, and hurricanes. The ministry has rebuilt hundreds of homes and has impacted thousands of families. They respond with hundreds of volunteers who help rebuild, but most importantly share the hope found in Jesus. In 2025 they assisted first responders in search and recovery and provided mass feeding after the devastating floods in Kerrville, TX. American Family Radio has partnered with this ministry since it was organized in 2005.

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**The NALC Disaster Response – Rosenberg Warehouse Annual Report for 2025 is posted on the bulletin in the Church Narthex.**

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### **Life-to-Life Discipleship Meeting**

Our next meeting is planned for February 15, 2026.

We invite anyone still interested to come join us on this new adventure.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Every Sunday - 9:00 A.M. - Sunday School-

*Come deepen your faith, connect with friends, and grow closer to God!*

*All youth are welcome — we'd love to see you there!*

***"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."***

*~Proverbs 22:6~*



### Each Sunday - Portals of Prayer –

January - March Portals of Prayer are available for pick-up in the narthex.

### Sunday, February 8, 2026 – Property Team Meeting @ 8 AM

– Confirmation

### Wednesday, February 11, 2026 – Women's Bible Study @ 12:30 PM

### Saturday, February 14, 2026 – Evening Worship Service with Communion in Parish Hall

An alternate service to the traditional Sunday morning service.

### Sunday, February 15, 2026 – Confirmation

– Life-to-Life Discipleship Meeting @ 12:30 PM

### Monday, February 16, 2026 – 4-H Meeting @ 6:30 PM

– Finance Team Meeting @ 7 PM

### Tuesday, February 17, 2026 – Pastor @ CAMAL House

### Wednesday, February 18, 2026 – ASH WEDNESDAY

– Lenten Service @ 7 PM

### Thursday, February 19, 2026 – Committee Reports Due

### Friday, February 20, 2026 – Newsletter Deadline

### Saturday, February 21, 2026 – Evening Worship Service in Parish Hall

An alternate service to the traditional Sunday morning service.



### Sign-Up Sheet for 2026 Prayer

#### Chain & Service Projects

A sign-up sheet for the 2026 Prayer Chain and the 2026 Service Projects is on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please consider being a part of one or both of these. Thank you!

### WNALC South Texas Mission Gathering

**Save the date: Saturday, April 11, 2026**

**Registration Deadline:**

**Wednesday, March 25, 2026**

**\$20.00 per person**

**St. John's Lutheran Church, Goliad, TX**

**See Melissa Eckhardt for more information.**



## REJOICE!

### **Scholarships Available for 2026 NALC Continental Youth Gathering July 7-10<sup>th</sup> in Roanoke, VA**

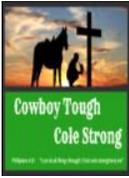
This summer the NALC will be hosting its second Continental Youth Gathering. The first Youth Gathering in 2024 was an incredible event. We hope many of our Texas-Oklahoma youth attend this one!

Our Texas-Oklahoma Region Missions Team is going to help with this. We will again be offering scholarships for youth in our Region that would like to attend the gathering. We particularly hope to support youth who otherwise might not be able to attend.

For more information or to apply for a scholarship, please contact Pastor Mark Braaten at mbraaten@oslctyler.org

**Applications must be received by April 15<sup>th</sup>**

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**



**+ UPDATE + Special Prayers for Cole:** Taken from Facebook Cowboy Tough Cole Strong (October 10, 2025): It's that time of year again for the Annual Cowboy Tough Cole Strong team roping benefit. This is definitely one of Cole's favorite events of the year and he's so grateful to Justin Shelton and all those involved for doing this every year. Proceeds from this event go towards paying for Cole's care above and beyond what insurance won't pay for and as anyone with a disability knows it is a constant battle. We try to have a silent auction Saturday and Sunday depending on the number of items that are donated. So if you're interested in donating anything from

baked/homemade goods, décor, or really anything please contact me at 361-550-8856. And we hope to see you there!♥

**+ 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)***

### **Our Military and their families:**

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves  
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Fort Cavazos  
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy, Florida  
Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, Fort Riley, Kansas  
Michael Petrash II - 1<sup>st</sup> LT,  
United States Army  
Andrew Washington, L CPL –  
USMC, Pensacola, FL  
Koltyn Mayhall - USMC, North Carolina  
Zach McBrayer – Captain, U.S. Air Force, Germany  
John C. Otto – Army, National Guard



### **PHONE PRAYER CHAIN (immediate or long term needs):**

If you have a prayer request or wish to be on the prayer chain, please contact Mary Wagner (361)275-9500. We ask that when placing a name on the prayer chain, you would please call back weekly with an update on the person's condition. In case of long term prayer needs, please give monthly updates. 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.

### **CHURCH PRAYER LIST:**

**Please remember these individuals in your prayers:** Hunter Jacob, Cole Ohrt, Ryon Preslar, Evelyn Diebel, Dorothy Fay Diebel, Fred "Sandy" Sanders, Ryler James Jacob, Billy Guenther, Glenn Ruschhaupt, Christy Johns, Beatrice Fagg, David Diebel, Obert Sagebiel, Elizabeth Beard, Ray Butler, Cathie Bettge, Nick Picard, Jonathan Ideus, Pam Ficklen, Stacey Nelson, MayDell Jacob, Caroline Blain, Nancy Butler, Robert Moeller, Jonathan Pokluda, CJ Constable, Kay Nagel; also, remember to pray for our members who have fallen away from St. John.



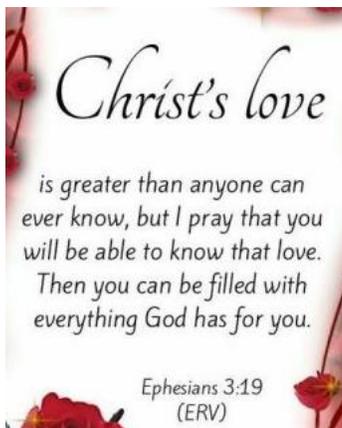
### **Nursing Home:**

Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Marjorie Ideus



### **Pray for Our 2026 Council Members**

President	Glenn Ruschhaupt
Vice-President	Kyle Newman
Secretary	Michael Cowley
Treasurer	M'Liss Moore
Financial Secretary	Pam Haun
Finance Team	Laurie Wendel
Mission/Evangelism	Cathie Bettge
Parish Education	Kathy Dunn
Parish Life	Lloyd Copeland
Property Team	Marvin Sager
Worship Team	Brenda Gohmert



# SOME WORDS FROM LUTHER

For the office of the ministry and the word of God are hence to shine as the sun, and not go sneaking and plotting in the dark, as in the play of blindman's bluff; but all must be done in broad daylight, that it may be clearly seen that both preacher and hearer are sure of this, that the teaching is rightly done...

~Martin Luther~



The Texas-Oklahoma Mission Region of the North American Lutheran Church invite you to their

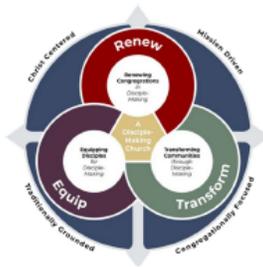
## Regional Family Reunion

July 31 - August 1, 2026

Welcome Lutheran Church  
Brenham, Texas



*It's time to gather our family from across the Region for food, fun, and fellowship!*



The North American Lutheran Church (NALC) envisions a disciple-making church body. This vision comes to life as congregations are renewed in faith, disciples are equipped to follow Jesus with confidence, and communities are transformed by the power of the Gospel.

Our guest speaker for the Family Reunion will be Pastor Amy Little. Pastor Little received her Master of Divinity degree from Trinity Lutheran Seminary and her Doctor of Ministry degree from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. She was ordained in 2002 and served Trinity Lutheran Church in Monroeville, Ohio, before being called as General Secretary of the NALC in 2021.



Guest Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Amy Little, General Secretary of the NALC

→ Registration will open in Spring 2026 ←

Your registration includes dinner Friday and lunch Saturday.

*Please secure your lodging reservations early!*

*Select lodging information is provided on the reverse side of this flyer.*

Questions? Call Pastor Becky Thane (201-572-8073) or email [BeckyThane@aol.com](mailto:BeckyThane@aol.com)

### NEARBY HOTELS:

The hotels and other lodging listed on this page are for informational purposes only. Their listing here does not indicate endorsement – the organizer has not personally stayed at any of these properties.

Baymont by Wyndham Brenham  
2950 Wood Ridge Blvd, Brenham, TX 77833  
(979) 836-5551  
8.7 miles from Welcome

Comfort Suites Brenham  
2350 S Day St, Brenham, TX 77833  
(979) 421-8100  
9.3 miles from Welcome

Studio 6 Suites Brenham, TX  
555 Hwy 290 W, Brenham, TX 77833  
(979) 836-4590  
10.5 miles from Welcome

Motel 6 Brenham, TX  
555 Hwy 290 W, Brenham, TX 77833  
(979) 836-4590  
10.5 miles from Welcome

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Brenham South  
2685 Schulte Blvd, Brenham, TX 77833  
(979) 830-5331  
10.6 miles from Welcome

### OTHER NEARBY LODGING:

This is a small sample of the many bed & breakfast and alternative accommodations (e.g., Air BnB, VRBO, etc.) available in Brenham and the nearby Burton and Round Top areas.

Scenic Hill Retreat (cabins, 2-night minimum)  
7300 FM332, Brenham, TX 77833  
(979) 530-7992  
<https://www.scenichillretreat.com/>  
5.3 miles from Welcome

Camelia Farm (bed & breakfast)  
6225 Wickel Rd, Burton, TX 77835  
(281) 844-4852  
<https://cameliafarm.com/>  
8.8 miles from Welcome

StarHill Farms (cabins)  
2038 Iris Ln, New Ulm, TX 78950  
(713) 524-2638  
<https://www.starhillfarms.com/>  
9.4 miles from Welcome

Far View Bed & Breakfast Inn  
1804 S Park St, Brenham, TX 77833  
(979) 836-1672  
<https://farviewbedandbreakfast.com/>  
9.9 miles from Welcome



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Or visit our website at: [stjohnmeyersville.org](http://stjohnmeyersville.org) to view weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters.

For those on church premises wishing to worship in their vehicles, tune in to FM 101.5 at 10:15 a.m. Sunday mornings.

**If you'd like to receive your monthly church newsletter via email, call or text the church office at 361-277-8653.**