

PRAISE HIM

with the

SOUND *of the* TRUMPET

American Lutheran Church (LCMC)

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✦ Please stand as you are able.

Prelude Music

We prepare our hearts for worship.

Greetings and the Sharing of God's Peace

✦ Confession and Forgiveness

PASTOR: LORD God, life shows us many opportunities to prove just who we are. And it's clear, as our heavenly Father, that some of these tests are given by You to help us grow.

ALL: But what You have designed for good can be twisted by evil. Tests become traps, and we get tangled in our failure.

PASTOR: Yet You forgive. You rescue us, freeing us from the ultimate consequence of falling into such snares: death.

ALL: Your loving sacrifice changes everything.

PASTOR: When we were caught in the teeth of sin, God Himself came as Jesus Christ to take our place. On the cross, He suffered and died, a miracle that breaks the deadly trap for you. Three days later, He rose to life again, promising the same to you in His heavenly Kingdom. That is why we worship the LORD today!

Prayer of the Day

ALL: Loving God, guide us by Your Holy Spirit through every test, helping us to improve. When we do fail, remind us of Your love. Break the bindings of evil. Free us from its traps! Amen.

♪ Opening Song "O Christ the Same"

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First Reading

Isaiah 53:1, 4-5

Psalm 2:1-2, 4, 6-8

READER: 01 Why are the nations so angry?

Why do they waste their time with futile plans?

**ALL: 02 The kings of the earth prepare for battle;
the rulers plot together against the LORD
and against His anointed one.**

READER: 04 But the One who rules in Heaven laughs.
The LORD scoffs at them.

**ALL: 06 For the LORD declares,
“I have enthroned My chosen king in Jerusalem!
He has been given a throne on My holy mountain.”**

READER: 07 And the King proclaims the LORD’s decree:
“The LORD told Me, ‘You are My son!
Today I have become Your Father.

**ALL: 08 Only ask, and I will give You the nations
as Your inheritance,
the whole earth as Your possession.”**

Second Reading

1 John 5:20

✦ The Gospel, God’s Good News

Matthew 4:1, 11

The Nicene Creed

**ALL: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of
Heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from
Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being
with the Father. Through Him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation He came down from Heaven; by the
power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin
Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered
death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in
accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is
seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in
glory to judge the living and the dead, and His Kingdom will
have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Sermon "Testing Jesus"

♪ Our Offering of Worship "Turn Your Eyes"

Prayers of the People

PASTOR: LORD, in Your mercy...

ALL: ...hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

ALL: 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

A word of blessing.

♪ Closing Song "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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Postlude Music

We depart in peace, ready to serve the LORD!

The Mission Statement of American Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we seek to make the Kingdom of God real and present in our world through ongoing worship, witness, and service.



WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Visitors are welcome to sign our guest book in the narthex gathering area. If you are looking for a church home, please contact Pastor Ethan or talk to one of the ushers about our American Lutheran Church family!

Our current prayer list includes Joe Ayers, Deb Adamek, Dick and Jean Bonney, Everett Bullert, Kathy Chelman, Jodi Eckel, Lee Fearing, Larry Hatton, Linda Hatton, Mike Holden, Stephanie James, Kay Larson, Joni Love, Heather Marcyes, Tyrone Moye, Karen Ness, Aubrey Olson, Rose Thorp, Bev Zinter, and the family of Elaine Clementson.

Today’s KEYL Radio Broadcast of our worship service is sponsored by Leora Hillman in honor of loved ones. Thank you for ensuring God’s Word can reach people over the airwaves!

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. The cost is \$75. Thank you!

Please consider signing up to serve as an usher or greeter. Sign-up sheets are on the wall in the back of the sanctuary.

Bible Readings for Next Week: March 5, 2023

Proverbs 12:19-22 James 1:16-22

Psalms 25:1-5 Matthew 5:33-37

Sermon Title: “Truth and Spin”

Worship Leaders

Pastor: Ethan Fearing

Pianist: Alyssa Fearing

Altar Guild: Betty Oliver

Acolyte: Elliana Young

Deacon & Reader: Blanche Tirk

Ushers: Russ & Jean Jacobsen and Reilly Jacobsen



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Annual Meeting is today, Sunday, January 29th at 11:30 a.m.

There will be a “Time to Talk” at 10:15 a.m. for any questions before the annual meeting. A potblessing (potluck) dinner will follow the meeting.

"THANK YOU in advance for your voluntary participation in Baby Bottle Campaign to support our local Pregnancy & Life Resource Center! Please return your gift in the bottle on or before **FEBRUARY 12**. God bless you for helping to protect unborn babies and support their parents!"

We need people to sign up for radio sponsorships for 2023. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

The January & February issues of The Daily Walk and December - February copies of Our Daily Bread are on the small table at the rear of the sanctuary.

2023 offering envelopes can be picked up on the table by the bulletin board in the narthex.

CHURCH OUTREACH

Missionaries: Dan and Nancy Butkowski; Dwight and Dorothy Hazard; Chris Mikkelson.

Prayer Partners is our confidential chain of prayer. To request a prayer, send an e-mail to prayer@americanlutheranchurch.org. If you would like your name added or removed from the Prayer Partners' e-mail list, contact Patty Ostendorf or Becky Hillig.

Our Mission Focus for January is the Long Prairie Pregnancy and Life Resource Center – Medical Clinic.

Weekly Report:

Worship Attendance for last week: 77

General Fund budgeted weekly needs: \$4,439.21

General Fund Year to Date (YTD) as of 12/31/22:

Budgeted needs: \$235,103.00

Receipts: \$227,114.84

Actual expenses: \$214,607.67

As of January 15th, our 2023 YTD General Budget receipts were \$1,364.88 behind our YTD General Budget needs.

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Sunday Worship Livestream: [on Facebook](#)

❄️ QUEST KIDS 22-23 ❄️ WINTER CALENDAR!

DECEMBER

December 07 - Quest Kids Family Night

Christmas Caroling @ 6:00 PM

December 14 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

December 21 - No Quest... Merry Christmas!

December 28 - No Quest... Happy New Year



JANUARY

January 04 - Quest Kids Family Night

The Amazing Race! @ 6:00 PM

January 6-7 - MEGA FUN @ CAMP LEBANON

January 11 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

January 18 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

January 25 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

2023!



FEBRUARY

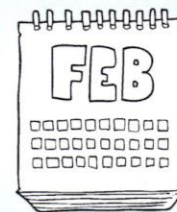
February 01 - Quest Kids Family Night

2022 Quest Kids Derby! @ 6:00 PM

February 08 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

February 15 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM

February 22 - Quest Kids @ 6:00 PM



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March 3rd and 4th

FRIDAY: 5:30P-9P

SATURDAY: 9:30A-4P

WOMEN'S CONFENCE!

GRAB A FRIEND AND COME BE ENCOURAGED AS WE SPEND 2 DAYS LISTENING TO GREAT SPEAKERS, LEARNING, EATING DELICIOUS FOOD, LAUGHING, WORSHPING, GROWING, HEALING, AND SEEKING!

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Weekly Schedule at American Lutheran Church

- Sun. Jan. 29th** **9:00 am Worship Service with Communion**
10:00 am Prayer at Altar after Service
10:15 am Sunday School
10:15 am Time to Talk
11:30 am Annual Meeting with Potluck Following
- Mon. Jan. 30th** **5:30 pm Audio-Visual Committee Meeting**
6:30 pm Staff Meeting
- Wed. Feb. 1st** **5:30 pm Family Night Supper**
6:00 pm Quest Kids Family Night Derby
6:00 pm Confirmation Class
7:00 pm Choir Practice
8:00 pm Deacon Meeting
- Sun. Feb. 5th** **9:00 am Worship Service with Communion**
10:15 am Sunday School

Sunday worship services are radio broadcast on KEYL 1400 AM and 103.1 FM, live-streamed on Facebook, and posted with video recordings of services later on our website.