

Prince of Peace News and Notes for March 10, 2024

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Serving the Lord and One Another Today: *Ushers:* Randy & DeAnne Otto; *Greeters:* Barb Hinds & Chris Leis; *Song leader:* Holly Ford; *Money Counters:* Barb Alsobrooks & Lori Peters.

Serving the Lord and One Another Next Sunday: *Ushers:* Willie & Leatta Danielson; *Greeters:* Randy & DeAnne Otto; *Song leader:* Patty & Nancy Horstmann; *Money Counters:* Elaine Schmidt & Ona Childs.

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Our Response to God's Gifts

Attendance last Sunday, Monday and Wednesday: 87

Weekly Budget Need: \$3703.36

March offering: \$2233.00

Special Gifts: \$25.00 (building fund)

LCMS District Missions for January: \$899.48

2023 Year Total/Missions: \$10,800.00

Lenten Midweek Services: Our Lenten midweek theme this year is the second and third chief parts of the catechism. (The Creed and Lord's Prayer). Come and join your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ each Wednesday. Soup supper begins at 6 p.m. Evening Prayer vespers service is at 7 p.m. For more information on the Lenten services, please see the February newsletter or wspop.org.

The Wednesday Bible Study on Revelation: Curious on the Book of Revelation? Please join us for the Wednesday morning Bible study! We meet each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

Check your March newsletter for an update on the School Feasibility Study.

Prayers and Devotion in the Divine Service: Did you know that our hymnals have prayers for worship inside the front cover? Did you know that Luther's Small Catechism is included in the hymnal (LSB 321-330)? Be sure to check out "Christian Questions with Their Answers" (LSB 329-330).

Scrip News: You can help support the church by purchasing scrip cards. A percentage of the sales goes back to the church. Cards are for sale weekly in the Fellowship Hall between the worship service and Bible study. Questions or special requests for cards? Contact Barb Hinds or Chris Leis.

Hymnals – If you would like to purchase a hymnal for your personal use or wish to make a donation to the church for them, please see the sign up sheet in the narthex.

Stewardship Thoughts: Ephesians 2:10 – **“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”** Even the good we do in this world is a gift from God, prepared beforehand for us to do. And this too is a gift! For isn't doing good also a good thing for the one who does it? So from first to last, from the Lord's free salvation given to us to the good works He's prepared for us, everything is a gift of God's grace.

Sunday Adult Bible Study – For many of us, we think of Confirmation Sunday as a graduation into the Lutheran Church. But it isn't. Confirmation is not the end, but a stepping stone as the Holy Spirit works in us. We continually learn throughout our life in Christ through study and catechesis, and in receiving Christ's gifts in the Divine Service each week. This morning, we continue our study on the six chief parts of the catechism. Today, we will focus on the Fourth Commandments in Luther's Large Catechism.

Life Thought from Lutherans for Life: Surprise pregnancy the terminal diagnosis come with risks and costs. But as with the ancient Israelite serpent infestation, the real enemy is neither one's neighbor nor the Maker (Numbers 21:8). Only empaling the snake (not terminating each other) brought deliverance, and the antidote called for faith instead of death. Christians insist God has sent us His Son for extending lives and not ending them (John 3:17).

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