

West St. Olaf Lutheran Church

70640 260th Avenue – Hayfield, MN

February 16, 2025: Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Rev. Paul Thompson -- Organist: Pat Nelson



WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE VISITING:

If you're visiting, please sign our guestbook (in narthex).

Worship times rotate monthly between East & West St. Olaf.

OFFERING: The plate will be passed during worship.

FEBRUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE



WEST 9:00 am worship (*coffee after church at 10:00 am*)

BOTH 10:00 am JAM-Both at West / West coffee

EAST 11:00 am worship (*coffee always after church*)

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US

WELCA Chair(s): Feb. – Sue Hyland

Altar Guild: Feb. – Jane Estby & Sheryl Wohlers

Acolytes: No acolytes at Chapel services

Ushers: Pete Danielson organizes volunteers

Deacon: Feb. - Carma Bjornson

Stewardship: 3rd Sunday – WELCA

READINGS TODAY:

Sun., Feb. 16, 2025 - Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

INTRODUCTION: *Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed are" and the "woe tos" are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.*

FIRST READING: *Jeremiah 17:5-10: These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings that contrast two ways of life. Life with God brings blessing; the power and vitality of*

God is active in our life. Life without God brings a curse, the power of death.

PSALM: Psalm 1

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20: *For Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.*

GOSPEL: Luke 6:17-26: *After choosing his twelve apostles, Jesus teaches a crowd of followers about the nature and demands of discipleship. He begins his great sermon with surprising statements about who is truly blessed in the eyes of God.*

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLASSES FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Classes are held at 2:00 p.m. TODAY, Feb. 16th, and Feb. 23rd, at the West St. Olaf Chapel. *If students complete these classes, they will receive First Holy Communion at worship on March 2nd.*

NEXT SUNDAY: INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

Both churches will have Installation of Church Officers during the service, next Sunday.

WEST WELCA & OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

Chair: Sue Hyland Altar Guild: Jane Estby, Sheryl Wohlers

25 9:00 AM Quilting/Sack lunch

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THRIVENT "Choice Dollars" from 2024 can still be directed until March 31, by calling **800-847-4836**. When prompted, say "Thrivent Choice". Press 1 to direct Choice Dollars. A representative will work with you to direct your Choice Dollars. Or you may designate online at Thrivent.com website.

HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

Deadline for bulletin information – Wednesdays by 7:30 pm.

TODAY 9:00 am West worship at chapel

	10:00 am	JAM at West for both (<i>West coffee</i>)
	11:00 am	East <u>worship</u> (<i>coffee after church</i>)
	2:00 pm	<u>BOTH at West Chapel... Class for First Holy Communion</u>
Feb. 17 (Mon.)	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Feb. 19 (Wed.)	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Both: Confirmation at West <u>Deadline to submit info for the next newsletter</u>
Feb. 20 (Thu.)	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Feb. 21 (Fri.)	-----	Pastor's day off-work
Feb. 23 (Sun.)	9:00 am	West worship/ <u>comm.</u> at chapel <u>Installation of Church Officers</u>
	10:00 am	JAM at West for both (<i>West coffee</i>)
	11:00 am	East worship/ <u>comm.</u> <u>Installation of Church Officers</u> (<i>East coffee after church</i>)
	2:00 pm	<u>BOTH at West Chapel... Class for First Holy Communion</u>

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

Feb. 24 (Mon.)	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Feb. 25 (Tue.)	9:00 am	West quilting/sack lunch
Feb. 26 (Wed.)	9:00 am	West quilting/sack lunch 7:00 pm Both: Confirmation at West
Feb. 27 (Thu.)	9am-Noon >>>>	Pastor at office <u>NEWSLETTER DAY at OFFICE for printing March issue</u> (9:10-print, 9:25-fold, 9:40-collate)
Feb. 28 (Fri.)	-----	Pastor's day off-work
<u>MARCH</u>		
EAST 9:00 am worship with coffee after church		
10:00 am JAM at West (for both), West coffee		
WEST 11:00 am worship (coffee before church at 10:00 am)		
Mar. 2 (Sun.)	9:00 am	East worship, <u>Comm.</u> , <u>1st Holy Communion Day</u>

(East coffee after church)

10:00 am JAM at West for both
(West coffee)

11:00 am West worship, Comm. at chapel
1st Holy Communion Day

Mar. 3 (Mon.) 9am-Noon Pastor at office

Mar. 4 (Tue.) >>>>>> **JOINT Council Meeting at EAST**
6:00 pm – Individual meetings
7:00 pm – Joint meeting begins

TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

West Prayers: Susie Thoe, Lauren Otto (*granddaughter of Ralph & Wilma Kylo, daughter of Randy & Kathy Demmer*), Amber Haley (*Todd and Denice Beaver's daughter*) Russ Skov, Carma Bjornson, Joy Beaver, Kathy B., Jerry Nelson, Sandy Miller (*sister of Carma B.*), Bill Tietje (*brother of Carma B.*), Loretta Himle, Gloria Brown, Aloma Eastlee, Dawn Hugeback, Darlene Hanson, Kelly Keckhafer, Gloria Pew, Boyd Pew, Cindy Senjem, Philip Senjem, and Matt Miller (*nephew of Carma Bjornson*). Those serving in our military: Jack Kenyon (*nephew of Will & Gail Laxen*), Patrick Reynolds (*grandson of Sue Hyland*), Erika Smith (*granddaughter of Carma & Ardean Bjornson*).

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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