

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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

Announcements

Benediction

Closing Hymn

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

*Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.*

*Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.*

*Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.*

*Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.*

Call to Service

Sunday, March 1st, 2026
Attendance: 175
General offering: \$6,581.24
Hospitality: \$33

Facility: \$500
Lutefisk Supper: \$25
Décor Committee: \$15
Adult Faith Formation: \$85

Wednesday, February 25th, 2026
Attendance: 152
Lent offering: \$297
Youth Group: \$752

<u>January '26</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Giving	29,103	27,541.10	- 1,561.90 under budget
Expenses	27,914	28,110.95	-196.95 over budget

We hope our Worship service will be a Blessing to you!

3rd Sunday in Lent, Sunday, March 8th, 2026



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Announcements

Happy 85th Birthday to Jan Schulte TODAY!

Our Prayers and Sympathies go out to Betty & Nancy Davidson on the death of Betty’s Aunt; Bev Linneman. Bev passed away on February 24th.

Choir practice: will begin this Wednesday, March 11th at 7:15 pm in the Chapel. They will meet on March 18th & 25th as well, and sing on Palm Sunday, March 29th. If you are interested in joining the choir, please talk to Sarah Becker or just show up to practice on the 11th!

Parent Bible study: We all want to raise great kids who love Jesus, but the pressures of modern life seem to work against our ability to do that. This study brings hope to weary parents doing their best to raise great kids! Join us for a 6-week study on Sunday mornings from 10:45-11:30. Let’s connect and support each other in this parenting journey! (*during Faith Formation*) March 8th and 15th.

Youth Group Lent Dessert and Hot Chocolate Bar: Instead of Lent Suppers, we are going to serve Lent desserts! This is our biggest fundraiser of the year for the youth group, and we appreciate everyone's help to make it successful! Each Wednesday in Lent, we will serve a themed dessert, along with decaf coffee and a hot chocolate bar. Parents sign up to help provide desserts and to work in the kitchen. Also, come and enjoy some wonderful desserts!

First Communion classes: Pastor Janine will start First Communion classes for 3rd graders on Sunday, February 22nd @ 10:30 am. They will meet each Sunday (except March 22nd) through March 29th. Maundy Thursday, April 2nd @ 7 pm will be their First Communion. If your child is older than 3rd grade and has not completed these classes, please talk to Pastor Janine or Pastor Craig.

Lent Facebook Devotions: will start **February 19th and go through April 4th**. Pr. Craig or Pr. Janine will be LIVE on Facebook at either 9 am or 9 pm each day/night.

Lent Offering: will go to the Watertown Area Foster Closet. We will also be collecting NEW backpacks and 12x6x12 clear tote bags with zippers. You can find them on Amazon.

Easter Flower Gifts: Due to limited space, instead of buying an Easter flower, you can give a gift in honor or memory of a loved one, with all proceeds going towards replacement items for the decorating committee. Each gift will be \$15. Please fill out and hand in the form by **Sunday, March 22nd**. The forms are located by the bulletins.

Prelude to Prepare for Worship

Welcome

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

P: 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 might perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

P: 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 self-examination and reflection

P: 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 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.

P: 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 fellow minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority and in his place, 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.

Opening Hymn Author: Thomas O. Chisholm CCLI 18723 © 1923 Ren. 1951 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream IL 60188 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

**Great is Thy faithfulness O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be**

Chorus:

**Great is Thy faithfulness; Great is Thy faithfulness.
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth.
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside. {Chorus}**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, consider the worthy desires of your humble servants. Reach out to defend us from evil by the word and work of your majestic right hand. Grant this, we pray, 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 Lesson

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95

Second Lesson

Romans 5:1-11

Gospel Hymn Author: Jeff Nelson © 1993 Heartservice Music (admin.MusicServices)/Maranatha! Music (admin.MusicServices) CCLI Song # 1314323 "Purify My Heart"

Purify my heart; touch me with Your cleansing fire.

Take me to the cross. Your holiness is my desire

Breathe Your life in me;

Kindle a love that flows from Your throne.

Oh purify my heart; Purify my heart.

Gospel Reading

John 4:1-42

Children's Sermon

Hymn of the Day "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;

Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;

Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;

Let us all in thee inherit; let us find thy promised rest.

Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;

End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;

Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee:

Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,

Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Sermon

Pastor Janine Rew-Werling

Sermon Hymn "Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;

'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me; His Word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.