

**Sexagesima**  
**February 16, 2025**

Communion- St. Paul reminds us to examine ourselves before taking the Lord's Supper. Communicants are required to be members of a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Congregation. We do this out of pastoral concern and in Christian love. If you have any questions, please see Pastor before worship. Thank you.

We offer gluten-free wafers during communion. If you are gluten-free, please indicate to Pastor before service or at reception.

Please complete the attendance card and give it to an usher on your way out of church. Thank you.



**Today at Trinity**

This morning's Lutheran Hour Broadcast is sponsored by Charles & Mary Sukup in honor of his parents, Mary & the late Eugene Sukup's wedding anniversary. Thank you.

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study will meet after church.

Helping in Today's Service: Organist: Sandra Schutte  
Acolyte: Colin Harr

Pastor's Installation is today at 3:00 PM. We are all invited to share this joyful occasion with Bethlehem Lutheran Church. A reception will follow the service.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
419 N. Delaware Ave.  
Mason City, IA 50401

**Last Sunday's Fruits**

Fruits of our Faith from February 16<sup>th</sup>:  
Sunday Service: 62                      Communed: 49  
Sunday School: 5                        Adult Bible Study: 15  
Monday morning Bible Study: 9

**This Week at Trinity**

Pastor's Monday morning Bible Study is tomorrow at 9:00 AM.

Hampton Community Blood Drive will be here at Trinity tomorrow from 12:30-6:00 PM. Call 800-287-4903 for registration.

Share your heart...donate blood!



Sewing will meet this Tuesday at 1:00 PM.

Confirmation is this Wednesday at 4:15 PM.

Ladies Book Club is this Thursday at 9:00 AM.

Remember in our prayers:

+Jennie Dellinger +James Ristau +Jerry Meyer  
+Jamie Fink +Kathy Jones +Jean Morgan  
+Dixie Schmitt +Renee Hansen +Erica Kearney

**Outside Door Issues**

The north outside doors are broken. Please do not use them.

Also, the east outside doors are "sticking" and not closing all of the way due to the weather. Please make sure and pull them closed tightly when you enter or leave that way. Thank you!

**Sexagesima – "about 60 days"**

We are in our "gesima" Sundays. We are "counting down" the days until Easter. These three Sundays before Lent focus on the Grace of God.

**Scripture Alone**



The Sower sows the seed of His Word (Luke 8:4–15). This Word is living and powerful (Heb. 4:9–13) to conceive new life in those who hear it. But the planting of Christ is

attacked by the devil, the world, and the flesh. Satan snatches the Word away from hard hearts. The riches and pleasures of this life choke off faith. Shallow and emotional belief withers in time of temptation and trouble. But see how Christ bears this attack for us! Christ's cross was planted in the hard and rocky soil of Golgotha. A crown of thorns was placed upon His head. Satan and His demons hellishly hounded and devoured Him. Yet, through His dying and rising again, He destroyed these enemies of ours. Jesus is Himself the Seed which fell to the ground and died in order that it might sprout forth to new life and produce much grain. In Him, the weak are strong (2 Cor. 11:19–12:9). He is the Word of the Father which does not return void (Is. 55:10–13) but yields a harvest hundredfold.

LCMS Lectionary Summary for today.

**Life Quote**

"Handmade by the one true God and designed in His image, we are inherently valuable, not only for this life but for all of eternity." Michelle Bauman, Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)



I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14a

## This Week's Calendar

### Today, Sunday, February 23, 2025

7:30 AM Lutheran Hour on KLMJ  
8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion  
9:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Study  
10:15 AM Worship Broadcast on KLMJ  
3:00 PM Pastor's Installation at Bethlehem Lutheran

### Monday, February 24

Trinity Office Hours  
9:00 AM Bible Study  
12:30-6:00 PM Hampton Blood Drive

### Tuesday, February 25

Bethlehem Office Hours  
1:00 PM Sewing

### Wednesday, February 26

Trinity Office Hours  
4:15 PM Confirmation

### Thursday, February 27

Bethlehem Office Hours  
9:00 AM Ladies Book Club

### Sunday, March 2

7:30 AM The Lutheran Hour on KLMJ will be:

#### "It's Best to Be with Jesus"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz  
Life was not meant to be a do-it-yourself project. We need God's help, His strength, His gifts.  
(Luke 9:28-36)

8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion  
9:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Study  
10:15 AM Worship Broadcast on KLMJ

## St. Paul's Lutheran School News



St. Paul's Lutheran School has an Open House for 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade and Kindergarten Round-up this Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 PM. "Come meet your teachers and see your classroom!"  
Parents – ask them about educational savings accounts to help with tuition costs! Call 641-579-6046 or email [officeadmin@stpaulslatimer.org](mailto:officeadmin@stpaulslatimer.org) for more information.

## February Greeters and Ushers

**Greeters:** Lynn & JoEllen Arends, Jamie & Jodi Patton, Kay Sheppard

**Ushers:** Adam Akers, Bruce Harris, Gary Sheppard, Nathan Subbert

## Important Extras

Please notify the church office of the date and time of any outside groups meeting within our church building.

Make sure all the doors are shut tightly and locked if you are one of the last people to leave the church.

Individual/small group communion is still being offered. Please telephone the church office if interested.

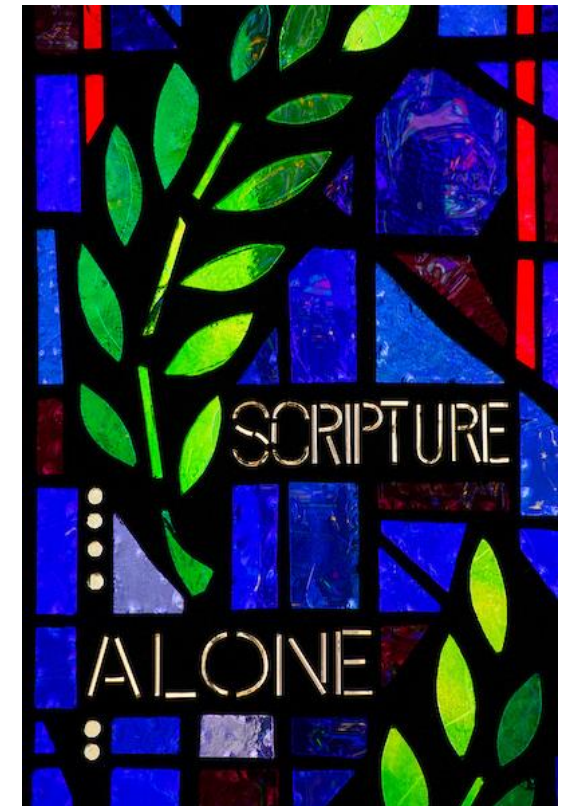
Church News Deadlines:

- Thursday mornings by 9:30 AM for the weekly bulletin.
- Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup> for the March Trumpeter.

Church office email is [trinityhamptonoffice@gmail.com](mailto:trinityhamptonoffice@gmail.com)  
Church office hours: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Monday-Friday.

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8:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion  
9:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Study  
Rev. Karl C. Bollhagen, Pastor  
Vicar Jacob Stefanec

Welcome to all who worship with us today.  
It is our prayer that you will grow through your experience with the Lord and His Word.  
Please visit our website for recorded services.

**Thank you!**

Thank you to everyone who agreed to Greet and/or Usher this year. The new schedule is posted on the bulletin board and monthly reminders will be mailed 😊.

