



Jehovah Lutheran
Church
Faith Bites
January 26, 2021

NOTES FROM THE PASTOR

New Things Coming Up!

As we come to the end of the first month of a new year, we have some new and exciting things happening at Jehovah Lutheran Church! We have just begun a new series in Adult Bible Class on the Gospel of Mark. This study will take us up to Easter, as we read and ponder episodes from Jesus' ministry and passion in this fast-moving account of the Good News of Christ.

We will also begin a new class during the week, which will serve both as a new members' class and a refresher for anyone wanting to join us. In this class, called "Rooted in the Faith," we will look at the Ten Commandments, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the Sacraments, and our calling as followers of Christ. The class is based on Martin Luther's *Small Catechism*, but there won't be tests like there are for the confirmands.

Another new thing going on is an active discussion in our board of Lay Ministry about our identity as a congregation of Christ's Church and what that means for our outreach and life together in this time and place at Jehovah Lutheran. The board and I will soon begin walking through a curriculum from the LCMS Office of National Mission, known as "Re:Vitality." For the present, we would simply ask for your prayers as we begin looking at this together.

Finally, in answer to a question many of you have asked me: yes, we will begin worshipping together again in our sanctuary. Our re-entry into the sanctuary for Divine Service began on Reformation Sunday last year with the celebration of Holy Communion. On Ash Wednesday (God willing), we will take the next step in a phased-in plan. There will be more information on this coming. As we look forward to this, we should all bear in mind that things could change, and we might have to take steps backwards as well, if events in the pandemic or changes in government policy demand that we do so. We hope and pray for the best, but we realize that we cannot control the course of the pandemic. For the time being, remain in prayer to our Lord and please follow all the guidelines of our congregation and our state.

As these new things take place at Jehovah Lutheran, I continue to thank God for bringing us together as pastor and congregation. I pray for all of you regularly. I always enjoy talking with you and look forward to doing so much more as 2021 unfolds. God's peace in Christ be with you all!

Your Pastor,
Joshua Miller



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Voters' Meeting

The January Voters' Meeting will be held on

Sunday, January 31
11:30 a.m.

Join us on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84292075166?pwd=TkdYcWRSUE9nSk9WOFNBamdDUVRBZz09>
Meeting ID: 842 9207 5166
Passcode: 934934

If you prefer to call in, dial 1-312-626-6799 or 1-646-876-9923

IN PERSON COMMUNION

Each Sunday, Jehovah offers brief 15 minute services of Holy Communion in the sanctuary with one service at 10:00am and a second service at 10:30. Participation is by reservation only. You may sign up using this link, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4ca9ae2da2facf8-jelc15>. You can also sign up by calling the church office, or by calling Pastor Miller directly. You must also fill out a health screening form to gain entry into the building.



PREPARING FOR WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses assures the Israelites that when he dies
the Lord will raise up successor prophets from among them to speak his words

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Some Corinthians had conscientious scruples about eating food that had been offered to idols.
Paul's principle: our actions should always be for the good of others.

Mark 1:21-28

"The kingdom of God is near," Jesus had proclaimed.
That now becomes evident as he teaches and acts with authority.



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Adult
BIBLE CLASS
has moved to 11:15am.



Join us on Sundays at 11:15am on Zoom

<https://augzburg.zoom.us/j/95736940038?pwd=c1J3M3NHajZZNnlMenFHREJrU3lpdz09>

Meeting ID: 957 3694 0038

Passcode: 255875

Let the
Word of Christ
dwell in you richly
Colossians 3:16



RIF (Rooted in the Faith)

Adult instruction class with Pastor Miller.

Thursdays from 2:00-3:30PM in the Schumacher Lounge, beginning February 4th.
In this class, we will look at the basics of the Christian faith from the Lutheran perspective.

All are welcome to participate in this class.

Please contact Pastor Miller for more information.



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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Donna Ostenson Kiefert
Bernice Demulling
Rita Galston
Paul Finegan
George Mendoza
Sandy Quenzer
Tom Kelly
Tim Robinson
Patrick Carey
Shirley Starner, and her son-in-law Greg Beaudoin
Dick Westphal
Linda Wood
Daniel Miller
Ramone and his family
Matt Schweer and his family



*Let my prayer
rise before you as incense.
Psalm 141:2a*

Those suffering or recovering from COVID-19.

JEHOVAH'S WEEKLY FRIENDLY FRIDAY CALL-IN CHAT



Join us at **11:10am each Friday**. All you need is your phone.
Dial: 978-990-5000. If you are using a land line please dial 1 and then the number.
When prompted enter the JELC code:

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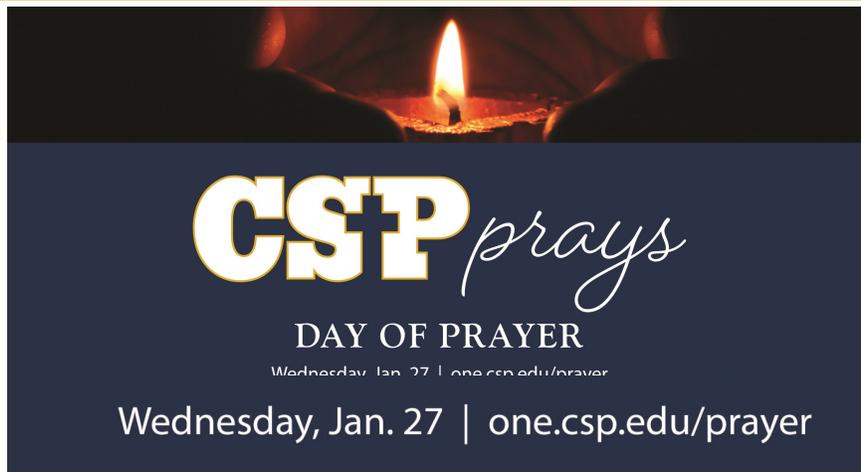
After the beep just say hello and your name. We will have a short devotion, a topic for discussion, and prayer.

Join us on Fridays at 11:10am.

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,
as indeed you are doing.
1 Thessalonians 5:11*



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Submit your prayer to one.csp.edu/prayer by Monday, January 25
Join us to pray the prayers that have been submitted on Wednesday, January 27

calm in the chaos | courage for the challenges | comfort in the acts of compassion

“Lord, to whom shall we go?” These six words from God’s Word have been especially appropriate as Concordia St. Paul’s theme for the academic year, pointing us to Jesus Christ as we met the challenges and joys of 2020. ***With the new year and a new semester come opportunities for new beginnings and renewed hope.***

In these times of uncertainty, you are invited to join Concordia St. Paul for a linking of hearts and hands in a **virtual day of prayer on January 27**. Whether seeking calm in the chaos, courage for the challenges, or comfort in acts of compassion, let’s do it together, in prayer.

There are two ways to participate:

1. Visit one.csp.edu/prayer by January 25 and submit a prayer or prayer request to be posted along with others on a community prayer board.
2. Visit one.csp.edu/prayer on January 27, pressing pause for just a moment to pray through the prayers that have been submitted.

Please consider participating in this special opportunity to remain connected as part of the CSP community. Thank you for your support and encouragement.

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”

Romans 12:12



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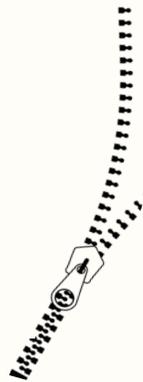
The New Freedom Store is in need of Target gift cards or Cub Foods gift cards for Lutheran families from other congregations. You can send gift cards to:

Jim Seemann
1075 Burgess Street
Saint Paul, MN 55103



COATS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Thank you so much to all the volunteers from Jehovah Lutheran Church and King of Kings Lutheran Church who served our neighbors in the Midway neighborhood of St. Paul by hosting our winter coat giveaway!



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LWML Winter Workshop Hosted by St. Paul Metro Zone

January 30, 2021 9-10 am

A Facebook Live Event:

access the link through Emmaus Lutheran Church, St. Paul website: <http://www.emmaus-lutheran-church.org> or Facebook page

Theme: Persevering with Hope

Speaker: Dr Reed Lessing, Concordia University

to speak on his book: Jeremiah: Overcoming Disasters

Hymn LSB 576 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

optional--to sing at home on your own

1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

3 Not earth, nor hell, my soul can move;
I rest upon unchanging love
I trust his righteous character,
his counsel, promise, and his pow'r. [Refrain]

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.

4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]

2 In ev'ry rough and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the vale.
When all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain].



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Join us for online worship at jehovahlutheran.online at 9:30 am

On YouTube at www.youtube.com/channel/UCdLy0HeNI3NIwQh-mN7Qjsg

In person Holy Communion by reservation at 10:00 and 10:30 am

Bible Study Sundays at 11:15 am on Zoom

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