

Gathering of the People

A warm welcome to all guests and members. We pray this time of worship will be one in which you experience God's love and peace.

THE PRELUDE

THE CHURCH BELL CALLS US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME... CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Call To Worship

L: Let us come together all who find their blessings in the Lord.

P: For the Lord is with us in good times and in hard times.

L: And the Lord is with us in all that we experience in life.

P: Whether we are at home or afar, the Lord knows our every need.

L: So let us raise our voices once again in praise and adoration!

P: Praise be to Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* #452 UMC & #576 St. J.

*Opening Prayer:

Holy God, in Your wisdom You have given us the ways that bring blessings into our lives. Your ways, though, seem difficult in our worldly minds. Soften our hearts, heavenly Lord, and change us to be more like You. Thank You, precious Lord! In Jesus' holy name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 40:1-3

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

Children's Message

Message: "The Beatitudes"

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn: *Be Thou My Vision* #451 UMC & #595 St. J.

Sacrament of Holy Communion #13-14 UMC & #769-770 St. J.

Offertory

*Doxology

#95 UMC & #46 St. J.

*Offertory Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn: *Lord, You Give the Great Commission* #584 UMC & #459 St. J.

*Benediction:

As we leave this sacred place today, may the holy wisdom and blessings of God guard our paths and guide our way. May the living truth of God enlighten our hearts and open our minds. May the living Spirit of God give us all life to the fullest...today and forever more! And let us go in peace today, for we have been blessed with God's love and happiness. Thank You, gracious God! Let us go now to love and serve our Lord. Amen.

Postlude

Our Shared Ministry

NUMC

Organist

Rolf Enger

St. John's:

Organist

Craig Keller-(pre-recorded)

Greeters

Matt and Carrie Hess

Pastor Gary's office hours are: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday at St. John's UCC from 8:30-12noon with visits in the afternoon and Wednesdays at Nerstrand UMC from 1pm-5pm (to allow him to be at WW) with visits in the morning.

Announcements

Sunday, February 1

9am-N
10:30am-SJ
Holy Communion

Wed., Feb. 4

Wed. Wear-N-1-5

Fri., Feb. 6

Pastor Day Off

Saturday Feb. 7

Wed. Wear-N 9-noon

Sunday, February 8th St John's will be having a Valentines pancake dinner after the service

Memorial services For Richard Hanson will be held at the Nerstrand United Methodist Church on February 10 at 2 p.m. Men's Community Choir rehearsal will be on Feb. 9th @NUMC in preparation for Richard's funeral

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, February 11th -Nerstrand UMC Ad. Board meeting, at 11am

Thursday, February 12th-St. John's Council meeting at 7pm

Saturday February 14th -Second Saturday Quilters-St. John's from 9 - 3:00

Wednesday, February 18th -SJ and NUMC Combined Ash Wednesday Service at St. John's UCC, 7pm.

Saturday, February 21-Woodcarvers, 10:00 am

Monday, Feb. 23- Community Men's choir rehearsal. Time and place will be announced later.

Wednesday, February 25th -Lenten Bible Study, at 5pm-N

Saturday February 28

Grace Lutheran's Family Fun Night at the Faribault Community Center 5-8pm

Please direct all prayer chain requests to Becky Tatge (507) 210-1214 or Mary Kindseth 507-789-6879

Please send **bulletin (deadline-9am Thurs)** and **newsletter (deadline- 20th of month)** information to: st.johnsuccwheeling@gmail.com (Lynn Hirschey will be monitoring this email).Phone number 507-330-1831. Notes in the mail are also welcome if you prefer.

COUNT YOUR
BLESSINGS.
NAME THEM ONE BY ONE.
COUNT YOUR
MANY BLESSINGS
SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE.

Sunday, Feb. 1, 2026
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
Holy Communion
Nerstrand UMC-9am
St. John's UCC 10:30am

God is still speaking!

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